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His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church 630, Second Avenue, New York, N.Y.10016.

Surpazan Hayr,

In accordance with your directive I contacted Chairman Mr. Ara Zakaryan on Monday evening July 6th, regarding my pastoral visitation and for Holy Badarak on Friday July 17th; as previously considered While I was in Kansas City. Also in view of the fact that a Community Picnic was planned for Sunday July 19th,1987.

Mr. Zakaryan's response was very friendly and positive. He even said: "How can anyone say no to a church service, it's fine with me." Then he added that he would talk to Zaven about it and call me back. In the course of our conversation I inquired if they held a Parish Council meeting, to which he said that they did not and Zaven being on vacation he had not seen him lately. Then I asked if there was any development after the resignation of Michael Frankian and Natalie Hatutian. He confirmed that they still remained resigned with no further changes. I told him that I had replaced these two vacancies with Charles Hajinian and Izabel (Ishkanian) Hodgson and notified the Primate for approval. So muchwas our Monday conversation.

I did not hear from Ara until I telephoned again, on Thursday. This is what he told me: "I spoke to Zaven, they (?) decided not to have church service on the 17th because with the Picnic it would be too much for that weekend." I asked whose decision was this and he replied: "My decision is Zaven's decision." It was amazing because few days earlier he had expressed a positive thought. Then I asked if they had a Council meeting and it was decided there?...? To my great amazement he said the following: "You don't understand Hayrsoorp there is no Parish Council, everyone resigned; Zaven resigned, Rosy resigned, Michael resigned, Natalie resigned,..." Surprised, I asked: "When did all these resign?" He replied: "The night you had the meeting here." In reality only Michael and Natalie had resigned, to which to which I had made reference during my previous conversation with Ara on Monday night and he had affirmed as mentioned above.