

February 1, 1974.

Mr. Burkoy Khajajian,  
Chairman Parish Council,  
Holy Trinity Armenian Church  
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Mr. Khajajian:

I reported our telephone conversation to our Executive Committee Meeting of the 31st January but you had now postponed the meeting of the Parish Council with the AGBU Executive Committee from the 10th of February to the 27th of February, 9 p.m. The members instructed me that further to our letter of the 11th January I should write this letter to you and outline, once more, our purpose, in advance, so that when we meet on the 27th you may be able to express your final answer to us without the necessity of a further meeting.

Considering that the possibility of developing a national Centre with a Church and a Cultural Centre on the site that we now own will fulfill a vital necessity in our Community life and will put the future of this Community on solid foundations we suggest:

- a) That the ownership of the land be transferred from the AGBU to the Church.
- b) That the purchase price be the market value with a nominal down payment.
- c) That the Church mortgage the land to the AGBU.
- d) That the AGBU develop its Cultural Centre on this land as per existing projects.
- e) That the Church lease this property to the AGBU for 99 years.
- f) That the annual interest of the mortgage not exceed the annual rent of the land.
- g) That at the end of 99 years when the lease will expire if the Church does not renew the lease for another 99 years a fair indemnity be paid to the AGBU by the Church according to a formula to be worked out by mutual legal advisors.
- h) That the acceptance by you of the aforesaid suggestions is subject to the approval of our Presidents Mr. Alex Mancoyan and/or Mr. Edward Nardigian.
- i) That after our Presidents' approval the legal feasibility of such an agreement will be approved by our respective lawyers.

Mr. Barkev Khojajian

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Our President Mr. Edward Mardikian insists that time is of essence in this matter. We hope that without any further delay in our Meeting of the 27th February you will kindly give us a definite, formal answer.

May I suggest that if you feel like consulting the Srpazan Archdiocese, in order to speed up the matter, you do so over the phone. As you know I have already informed his Eminence in your presence on the 5th of December, 1973, and he indicated his agreement.

Yours truly,

Garo Aavoukian,  
Chairman,  
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