

August 25, 1978

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Dear Dr. Aynaciyani:

Your letter dated July 21, 1978, signed by twelve other individuals, regarding the creation of a second parish in Toronto was considered at the Diocesan Council meeting on August 18.

May we advise you that the receipt of your letter of July 21, is in no way deemed to be an acknowledgment or agreement by us as to the contents generally and specifically therein set forth.

We are mindful of the need for a second parish in Toronto. However, the procedure for the feasibility of same is to be as follows:

"Under the presidency of our Vicar General, the Very Reverend Father Houssig Dzayrakooyn Vartabed Bagdasian, we are inviting five individuals to meet with the Parish Council for consultation. The sole function of this group shall be to submit to us in writing, for the consideration of the Diocesan Council, the designated boundaries of the contemplated two parishes in Toronto."

An organizational Committee will be appointed to plan for the estimated costs, finances and fund raising with regard to the formation of the second parish. This committee will also advise us as to the site for the new building.

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Upon final approval for the creation of a new parish, it shall be at the Diocesan Council's and our discretion to create a temporary parish council. All members of any committees shall serve at the pleasure of the Primate and the Diocesan Council and any additional committees shall be with the approval of the Primate and the Diocesan Council.

Also, no person, group or committee shall act in the name of the Diocese for the creation of a second parish unless approved in writing by the Primate and the Diocesan Council. In the meantime, no person or group is authorized to proceed in any manner other than set forth herein.

May God bless all of you for your spirit of concern for the welfare of our community in Toronto.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
Primate