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Reverend Robert Stern
453 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Father Stern:

Through the work of the various pastoral commissions in the Archdiocese of New York, the goals set by the Church in recent years have been increasingly implemented. Among these goals the progress of the relationships with our separated Christian brothers and with non-Christian communities must be of special concern to us in the coming years.

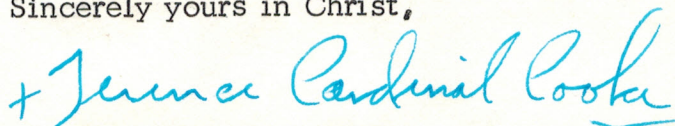
I am writing to invite you to serve as a member of the Archdiocesan Ecumenical Commission for a period of two years, beginning September 15th. Your interest in the cause of religious unity and the active role you have played in the past assure me that the Ecumenical Commission will profit greatly by your participation.

Monsignor James Rigney, Chairman of the Ecumenical Commission will contact you concerning the meetings and programs of the Commission.

I am grateful for your continued assistance in the apostolic works of the Archdiocese.

With prayerful good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Terence Cardinal Cooke
Archbishop of New York