# The Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion Seventh Triennial Meeting Douala, Cameroon September 11, 2012

### **Resolution Number 1**

(This resolution is embargoed pending the approvals of the provinces represented in the Network.)

## **Resolution Number 2**

The Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion recommends to all institutions of the Anglican Communion that they support the International Anglican Women's Network, "Mary Sumner House", and other partner organizations of that Network, in their intensive efforts to struggle against sexual violence against women in the Democratic Republic of Congo, a struggle led by the Anglican Province of Congo (PEAC) through its ministries directed at women; that is, the Mothers' Union, and the Union of Women for Peace and Social Progress.

Such support could extend to the following areas:

- 1. Spiritual support and commitment to prayer: daily prayer as well as commitment to organizing offices or days of prayer.
- 2. Activism at the international level for protection of women's rights, so that justice may be done and punishment meted out to the perpetrators of violence, especially rape.
- 3. Material and financial support for efficient treatment of victims and for their reintegration in their respective families.

# **Resolution Number 3**

The Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion, meeting from 6 to 11 September in Douala, Cameroon, states that we have finally held a meeting where the great majority of francophone Anglicans live, in the French-speaking nations of Africa.

We wish to express our thanks to Bishop Dibo Thomas Babyington Elango and his team for the organization and warm welcome that we have received from the Diocese, as well as from the parishes that we visited at their Sunday services.

We express our joy to see this flourishing Church and we commit to helping with the mission of evangelisation throughout the country, under the leadership of Bishop Dibo Elango. We give thanks to God for his blessing and protection during our meetings and deliberations.

#### **Resolution Number 4**

The Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion chooses the text of *La Bible en français* courant for a project of the Network for the francophone provinces of the Anglican Communion.

#### **Resolution Number 5**

The Executive Committee of the Network is encouraged to develop an editorial format and to raise funds for the publication and distribution of an Anglican Bible edition based on *La Bible Expliquée*.

# **Resolution Number 6**

The Network commends the appended text (adapted) by the Reverend Canon Gregory Howe as a guide for translators of liturgies to take into serious consideration for their work of development and approval of liturgies and prayer books. (See Appendix 1)

#### **Resolution Number 7**

The Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion applauds the decision of The Episcopal Church (based in the United States) to make a fresh translation of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer as soon as possible, and to include in it a lectionary.

## **Resolution Number 8**

A liturgical team of the Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion shall be named and set to work within one year's time, and thereafter shall share the fruits of their labours with the provincial and diocesan liturgical committees which might help them in editing their own Books of Common Prayer.

## **Resolution Number 9**

Bishop James Wong, the Venerable Pierre Voyer and Bishop Dibo Elango are named to the Theological Formation Committee (as established by resolution of the Network at its 2008 Aylesford meeting). This committee shall gather and share with the Network the best formal and *ad hoc* approaches for the formation of priests and laity existent throughout the member provinces of the Network. The committee shall moreover put into action the directives of the Aylesford resolution.

# **Resolution Number 10**

The Network encourages its three seminaries (Université Anglicane du Congo, Bunia; Séminaire de l'Église Épiscopale d'Haïti; Diocesan seminary at McGill University) to form together a network over the Internet, so as to share information on their programs of formation.

## **Resolution Number 11**

That the Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion, adopt this report by His Grace Archbishop Henri Isingoma on prayer for the Democratic Republic of Congo, and commits its

members to daily prayer for our sisters and brothers of the Democratic Republic of Congo. (Complete text in Appendix 2)

# **Resolution Number 12**

The Anglican Province of Congo (PEAC) expresses to the members of the Network its desire to be accompanied by the Anglican Communion and especially the Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion, in the implantation of the Anglican Church in the Republic of Congo (Brazzaville), so that it would not be solely the work of the PEAC, but a matter for the whole together, as this is a challenge that requires evangelizing an entire new country.