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Dear Father Ventura,

Thank you for your letter of 24 October 1986, regarding the status of Rev. Michael Hogan. You were most open and direct and I appreciate that particularly when you mentioned "a complicating factor".

Having re-read your letter and many times, I feel right now it is not in the best interest of all concerned that Father Hogan be in the Reserves. I must then recommend to you either of the first two options you mentioned, his resignation or your withdrawal of his endorsement.



I hope that I have been as upfront as you want and yet in no way suggest less than pastoral support of Father Hogan. I will be more than willing and available to discuss this with you further, Father Ventura. I shall await your decision on which you decide is the better of the two options you pursue.

With best personal wishes, I am

Fraternally in Christ,



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