



Montréal, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

Dear colleagues in leadership,

Peace and all Good!

I pray that you are doing well and that you are able to maintain your service of animation despite the constraints and concerns brought about by confinement measures.

This message is for you and all male community leaders in Ontario, Atlantic and Western Canada regions. As you probably know, the CRC Administrative Council has decided to postpone the General Assembly until May 2021. However, we must now begin to identify, among CRC members, candidates willing to serve on the new Administrative Council.

The Administrative Council comprises eight members. Seven of them are no longer available either because they have completed their term or because they do not wish to renew it. To this day, we were able to find seven members for the new Administrative Council. One of them, a French speaking religious sister, is being considered for the presidency of the CRC. In light of this, we would like to have an English speaking religious male assume vice-presidency, and thus achieving gender balance. This is the reason why I am writing to you directly.

The Administrative Council meets three times a year with the presence of the executive director. Between general meetings, it is the supreme authority of the CRC, ensuring its effective operation and deciding on important directions. It is a very enjoyable experience of discovering the reality and challenges of consecrated life throughout Canada and of solidarity between regions.

We are therefore looking for one of you who would be interested in joining the CRC in the position of Vice-President. The candidate must be a major superior (general, provincial or his vicar).

I am well aware that all of you have a heavy workload and that your agendas are full. However, I can assure you that those who have been part of the Administrative Council in the past recognize the wonderful experience it is and the knowledge they have gained about religious life in Canada.

I am therefore calling on you to ensure that we have all the representatives CRC needs.

If you want more information or are open to considering this service and wish to discuss it, please do not hesitate to contact me.

May God continue to accompany you in the service of your brothers,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Louis Cinq-Mars". The script is cursive and somewhat stylized.

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