



CONGREGATIO
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Case No. 20144398
Prot. No. 20160370

Ms. Janice Dooner LYNCH *et alii*
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Dear Ms. Lynch *et alii*,

Further to my letter of 12 November last, concerning the hierarchical recourse you have presented against the decision of the Archbishop of New York, regarding the merger of the parishes of Our Lady of Peace and St. John the Evangelist, East Manhattan, this Congregation has found it necessary to seek additional information from His Eminence.

In order to give the Archbishop an opportunity to respond, and then for this Dicastery to complete its study of the matter and to issue a definitive decree, it is necessary to extend further the time limits involved. Therefore, this Congregation, by virtue of article 136 §2 of the *General Regulations of the Roman Curia*, hereby extends the time limits (cf. can. 57 §2) for the recourse until 30 April 2016.

With assurances of prayers and best wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely in Christ,



Beniamino Stella

Beniamino Cardinal Stella
Prefect

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