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## News Release

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At a meeting of the Councils of Church Society, the Fellowship of Word and Spirit, and Reform held last week those present:

- Affirmed their commitment to the supreme authority of the Word of God and noted that this is the express position of the Church of England;
- agreed that they continue to be strongly united in opposition to the proposals to consecrate women as Bishops, since such an innovation would be contrary to the Word of God; and,
- agreed to call upon the Primates of the Anglican Communion to declare ECUSA and the Diocese of New Westminster, and Bishops supportive of them, out of Communion unless and until they repent for the actions they have taken, and further that those seeking to provide oversight to those opposed to such actions are acting as faithful Anglicans and should not regret or apologise for providing oversight.

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