



Since the Iraq war had started while we met, considerable time was given in discussing the situation in Iraq. We heard from Setri and Olivia about the WARC team visit to Baghdad, February 18-22 2002. Both delegations expressed dismay at this course of action by the political leaders. In the light of this we discussed the need for interfaith dialogue. Setri reported on WARC's interfaith consultation in 2002 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

WARC has sent a letter of invitation to DECC to send a delegation to Accra, Ghana to attend the 2004 general council. DECC will be doing the same for their international conference to be held in the United Kingdom.

We discussed our respective dialogues with the Roman Catholic Church. DECC just finished the third phase of their dialogue which was published in their publication *Mid-Stream*, Volume 41, No.4, October 2002. WARC's report is in the process of being completed. It was decided to study both of these documents for commonality and differences. On the basis of this we can decide together on a future course of action.

In the light of these discussions we submit the following *recommendations*:

1. To accept the change in wording as suggested by DECC to read as "*the goal of this relationship between WARC and DECC should now be the development of comprehensive partnership in pursuit of the visible unity of the church*".
2. To reaffirm the recommendation of including a brief statement on our history in the preparatory documents for WARC 24th general council in 2004 and the Disciples international conference in 2004 in the UK. These brief statements (3-4 pages) should be submitted by the end of 2003.
3. A team from each body should be invited as participating observers to each other's general council and international conference.
4. A small group of participants should be invited to study and compare the documents of each other's results from the dialogue with the Roman Catholic Church in order to identify the commonality and differences and to make recommendations for the future. This future may include cross-representation on future bilateral dialogues.
5. To support the suggestion of the 7th International Consultation of United and Uniting Churches that the Christian World Communions should reflect on questions raised by the United and Uniting Churches (IV C last paragraph) and to identify the values and burden to churches in their participation in CWCs.
6. To endorse initiation of interfaith dialogue, whenever possible, taking special care to avoid competition and repetition.
7. To encourage DECC to utilize WARC resources produced in preparation for the general council.
8. To encourage DECC to utilize WARC resources, such as the gender manual and economic justice material, and to share the information about the dialogues with the local churches.
9. To convene a follow up meeting of this dialogue group after Summer 2005.