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The Rev. Dr. Nora Sanders
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Dear Rev. Dr. Sanders,

Greetings from National Council of Churches in the Philippines!

At the outset, let me thank you for enabling me to visit Canada late last year. It was a very good opportunity to meet NCCP's partners and develop new friends in the pews. It was also an excellent opportunity to speak before Filipino groups in Canada to share with them our common vision and update them on objective realities here. We were also edified by the visit of Rev. Martha Ter Kuile.

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I also write to inform you that we are pleased to nominate the Rev. Chris Ferguson as General Secretary of the World Council of Churches. I am enclosing a copy of the nomination form we have sent to the WCC for your perusal. Our consideration is Chris' extensive experience in ecumenical work and deep awareness of the ecumenical agenda which your church and the NCCP and many other partners share. I am aware that there is a candidate from Asia. He too, is a capable person not unknown to us. Thus, we see this nomination not as a competition between the two of them but a sincere attempt on our part to ensure that with either of these two nominees in the WCC the wider concerns of the ecumenical movement especially as they bear on the global south will be given ample attention in the WCC. I hope the UCC will find this nomination favorable and worthy of support.

Finally, thru Rev. Ter Kuile is a copy of a book we have just launched last February 16. It chronicles what we have done together along the road towards justice and peace. Thank you for sustaining us in your prayers and for the solidarity. May the book be edifying for all of us. May it be a valuable resource for all in sustaining vigilance and common action in the defense of human rights and civil liberties anywhere. May it be a testimony of how Christians in many parts of the world seek to be faithful to the call of God through the prophets to do what is good.

Warm regards and best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



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General Secretary