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The Clerk Special Parliamentary Committee on the Constitution Parliament Buildings Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Sir:

RE: Letter of December 17th.

Pursuant to my preliminary request of December 17th to appear before the Special Parliamentary Committee on the Constitution to present a brief on behalf of "Canada's Moderate Majority" for which Renaissance seeks to speak, here are the particular concerns we wish to address our brief:

1. As a registered Canadian religious charity, committed to "propagating the values and philosophy of our Judeo-Christian heritage, the foundation of a free and responsible society", (and endorsed in those commitments by the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada representing an estimated 2 million Protestants in its transdenominational association, as well as by the Catholic Register on behalf of "the Catholic electorate"), Renaissance views with alarm the omission, (in the preamble to the Bill of Rights which the Government proposes to entrench in the Constitution package), of any references to the Judeo-Christian values system, (including the recognition of the dignity of the individual as created in the image of God and accountable as a free moral agent to God), fundamental to all the human rights enjoyed by all Canadians regardless of their religion or irreligion.

(See the Faith, Freedom and Family Petition printed in the enclosed full-page advertisement which appeared in two Toronto newspapers earlier this year. That Petition was personally presented to each Provincial Premier and to the Leaders of our National Political Parties as well as to the Mayors of the Provincial capitals and of our Nation s Capital in preparation for the work of the Renaissance Commission on the Family during the Year of the Child).

- 2. Renaissance has recommendations to present to the Commission for guarantying the preservation of the integrity of the family as "the basic cell of a free and responsible society".
- 3. Renaissance has recommendations to make to the Committee for protecting religion from government intimidation in fulfilling its function as "the conscience of our society".

Inasmuch as it has come to my attention that the character of our Renaissance commitments have already been misrepresented and maligned by spokespersons for militant homosexuals who appeared before the Commission a couple of weeks ago, it seems to be

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particularly appropriate that we be given the privilege to appear before the Commission to affirm the constructive commitments and concerns of our pro-family and freedom cause and present our brief reflecting those concerns.

I am willing to appear before the Commission to present our brief whenever it is convenient for you to schedule our presentation.

Thank you for considering our request.

We trust that your response thereto may be positive.

Sincerely,

Ken Campbell President

Renaissance International

"the voice of Canada's Moderate Majority" Sponsor, The Renaissance Family Institute