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Dear Professor Elizondo,

Thank you very much for your letter March 12th and for the kind invitation to express myself in the pages of CONCILIUM.

I hesitated in giving you the prompt answer your letter deserved because my commitments during the coming months don't leave much space for other activities.

However, the general theme of the issue of CONCILIUM you are preparing is of such an interest to me that I cannot but say <u>yes</u> to your request.

Looking through your first project for the different articles, I am trying to see how to developt the topim (II.2.) The Experiences of a woman in a " Men's Church ". To be quite honest, I am neither the type of a " narrative " person nor a story-teller! I am rather a person who is guided by deeply ingrained convictions and who is continuously reflecting on her own experience. Therefore, you hardly can expect from me " to report in a more narrative way (my) experiences of a woman who engages herself in a men's church " ...

If you would let me know who are the authors of the other articles I may eventually see more clearly how to plug into the whole my own contribution.

Meanwhile, I hope that a series of lectures I have delivered at the Institut Catholique in Paris on "Nouveaux féminismes: question pour les chrétiens? " will be mimeographed. They must be ready sometime in May. I will send then a copy to you, so that you can see on which "wave-length" I am ...



In the same urgency for the announcement of the Easter news to the world, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Maria de Lourdes Pintasilgo
Permanent Delegate of Portugal
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