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Most Reverend Wilton D. Gregory, S.L.D.  
President  
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops  
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Your Excellency,

The bishops of our province (Nebraska) are opposed to any extension of the National Audit regarding the sexual abuse of minors by clergy until all the Bishops of the United States Catholic Conference have an opportunity to discuss this matter in executive session at our general meeting in November, 2004. We also believe it advisable not to give any impression to the media that the numerous recommendations coming from the Office of Child and Youth Protection are in any way assured before they are discussed by the bishops. We ask you to bring our letter to the attention of the March meeting of the Administrative Committee of Bishops.

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

Most Reverend Elden Francis Curtiss  
Archbishop of Omaha

Most Reverend Lawrence J. McNamara  
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Most Reverend Fabian W. Bruskewitz  
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