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Dear [ ],

**Shared Discernment Process Stage 2 – Recommendation for Training**

I am writing in connection with the Stage 2 Panel which you recently attended.

I have now received the Advisers’ report. They **recommend** you for training for Ordained Ministry as a nationally deployable, ***[incumbent/assistant-status, stipendiary/non-stipendiary]*** priest, and I am happy to follow their advice.

The Advisers clearly enjoyed meeting you, and greatly appreciated your ***[insert description of the candidate from report]*** presence at the Panel. They were particularly impressed by ***[insert brief comments from the report]***. They also recognised in you a potential to ***[insert brief comments from the report]***. All this led the Advisers to conclude that your vocation is obedient, realistic and informed.

On the whole, it was a very positive report, which should give you considerable confidence as you prepare for theological training. I would like you to arrange a meeting, if you have not already done so, with your ADO, who will take you through the report and its recommendations in greater detail.

In addition, please contact the Revd Raymond Baudon, the Assistant DDO, to arrange an appointment with either him or the Revd Canon Leanne Roberts. At that meeting you will receive advice and guidance regarding the Panel’s recommendations for your theological training and formation. His email address is: raymond.baudon@southwark.anglican.org.

Please be assured of my continuing prayers as you embark on the next stage of your preparation for Ordained Ministry in the Church of God.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

**The Rt Revd Christopher Chessun**

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 The Revd Canon Leanne Roberts (DDO);

 The Revd Raymond Baudon (Assistant DDO);

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 The Revd ***[your name]*** (ADO);

 The Revd **[ ]** (Incumbent);

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 ***[panel secretary]***(Ministry Division).