

**Strictly Confidential Memo to +PBW from Martin
re Bishop Peter Ball 05/07/02**

I spoke to Andrew Nunn at Lambeth Palace.

- 1) There is no reply to Bishop Jim's letter (23 Jan 2001) to Abp of Canterbury because +Richard Llewelin phoned +JBW & said ABC's memo (+Frank Sargent) to Bishops of 5 Feb 1997 said he could be used as any other retired bishop except that the ABC should be informed when he is to exercise episcopal duties, and he thought this 'did not accord with his being appointed as an Assistant Bishop.'
- 2) He has been doing Confirmations (2001) at some schools which +Peter Ball says was agreed by ABC in telephone call in March 1996 & subsequent letter of 18 March. Andrew Nunn thinks this letter may have been a bit loosely drafted. Thinks it probably best to accept this situation at present.
- 3) He says +Peter B is thinking of challenging the original basis of police Caution, saying he was wrongly advised at the time. This means that the situation may change & be reopened.
- 4) Best therefore, that if +PBW wishes to make +Peter Ball an Asst Bishop he should write afresh to ABC.