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STATEMENT FROM ARCHBISHOP PHILIP WILSON



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I have taken the opportunity overnight to consider His Honour's reasons.

I am still considering those reasons together with my legal advisors. While I do so, it is appropriate that, in the light of some of his Honour's findings, I stand aside from my duties as Archbishop.

I am now putting in place the necessary administrative arrangements to ensure that the affairs of the Archdiocese are managed responsibly. I therefore intend to step aside as of Friday this week once those arrangements are in place.

If at any point in time it becomes necessary or appropriate for me to take more formal steps, including by resigning as Archbishop, then I will do so.

In the meantime, while the remainder of the legal process runs its course, I want to assure the Catholic faithful in the Archdiocese of my continued prayers and best wishes and assure everyone that the affairs of the Archdiocese will be appropriately managed in my absence.