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Dear Norb,

Thank you for your letter of February 16. In it I noted with a great deal of interest your meeting with the Program Review Board. I realize that you were personally disposed to enter the first class of the Deniers Group and now there seems to be a delay again. If true, this is very disappointing. Personally, I want to see that you receive the support you need to survive your present difficult circumstances. The changing rules and the changing circumstances you describe are very disheartening.

As you know, we are trying in Wisconsin to make some definite efforts to have a sentence reduction in your case. Hopefully, some good souls will see that the six years of incarceration you have already endured are enough to satisfy the state and any sense of justice.

As we enter the desert of Lent and begin a time of increased prayers and penance, I want you to know how you and your intentions are in my heart during this millennium Easter time. It would be a great fulfillment of the millennium spirit to see your captive heart set free. It is impossible for me to honestly talk about specific dates, but the liturgical seasons of Lent and Easter do inspire all of us with a sense of hope. Keep me and the Archdiocese in your prayers. Know that I continue to hold you in my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
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