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The Most Reverend Robert Runcie PC, DD,
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7th August, 1984

Dear and Reverend Sir,

We, preists of the Coptic Orthodox Churches, in Great Britain and Ireland, as representatives of His Holiness Pope Shenouda III, Patriarch of Alexandria and the 117th successor to the See of St. Mark and, pastors of the Coptic community.

His Holiness Pope Shenouda III has instructed us to inform any Christians, of any ecclesiastical rank, whether Orthodox or of any of the Holy Churches of God, in the United Kingdom, that Dr. George Habib Bebawi is under the discipline of our church, his job as a lecturer in the theological colleges has been terminated.

His Holiness Pope Shinouda III has deprived Dr. Bebawi of the right to speak anywhere, at any time, or in any capacity on behalf of the Coptic Orthodox. Dr. Bebawi represents only himself when he speaks. This is the clear position of our Holy Patriarch. Dr. Bebawi is not recognised any more as a teacher of Coptic theology.

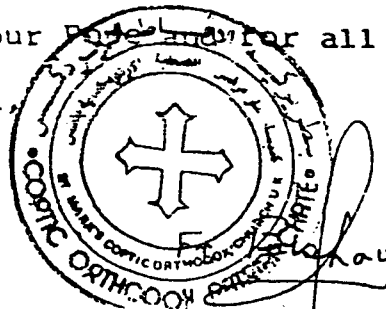
We understand that Dr. George Habib Bebawi intends to teach in the Selly Oak group of colleges. He is no longer regarded by His Holiness Pope Shenouda III as a Coptic spokesman or representative anywhere or under any circumstances.

It will, of course, cause grave offence to the Coptic Orthodox Church if the seriousness of Dr. Bebawi's situation is not recognised.

When the ban on him is lifted we shall communicate with you.

Please pray for us, for our ~~people~~ and for all who are in error.

Yours sincerely in Christ,



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