



Office of the Bishop

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Dear Pastors and Parishioners,

RE: Development and Peace

I write to update you that the 2018 Share Lent funds were sent to Development and Peace this past November, as I received a letter from its Executive Director, Mr. Serge Langlois, reaffirming Development and Peace's commitment to continue working with the Bishops of Canada on the ongoing concerns with its partners, and also confirming that a moratorium has been placed on funding for the partners in question until all the issues have been clarified.

Accordingly, I am happy to reaffirm my commitment to Development and Peace, and I ask you to continue your support of Development and Peace, especially the upcoming 2019 Share Lent campaign, *Share the Journey*. Please visit <https://www.devp.org/en/sharelent2019/materials> for more information.

God has abundantly blessed us. May we generously share that abundance with all of our brothers and sisters in need, especially the migrants and refugees. God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ our Lord,

✠ Gregory J Bittman
Bishop of Nelson