Mr. Chan. Guérin, Residence of the Chaplains, 23, rue Jean de Beauvais, PARIS, 5th France.

My dear friend,

Here we are again a year younger! 1963 was formidable! What will 1964 and the following years be like? Paul VI's journey to the Holy Land has opened up immeasurable possibilities. I believe that we cannot stop now and that we must now plan the measures to be taken at a global level.

The Pope has been so kind to us. After the Executive Committee in Canada, he received us in a private audience and allowed himself to be photographed with the leaders, from every angle! Then he sent us an autograph letter and, this week on television, in a message to Belgium, He paid us a special tribute.

What responsibilities! Too bad we can't get together with a few people to think about things and prepare together for the next Council Session, which it seems will be decisive!

Let us pray for each other, for all the bishops and for the international YCW! May the good Lord shower you with his blessings.

See you soon, I hope!

Jos. Cardijn

(Editor's note: Other copies of this letter were sent to other people :)

Canon Dewitte
Canon Guérin

Sister Marie Elie de l'Eucharistie à Marche? to others? (Mgr Joos, Dondeyne, Thils, Philips,

with in annex

- 1. Photograph of the autograph letter
- 2. The paragraph concerning the YCW in the message to Belgium?

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