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Your Grace,

Thank you for your recent letter and I have noted your remarks. As you surmise, the main reason I am undertaking this loan is for financial reasons and I have been most careful in allowing actions.

I will decline any approach to be on staff in any permanent manner at Redcliffe. Graham, Graham has asked me to look after the parish while he takes long service leave in June/July 2000. That is the only reason I have been asked to do when I finish here and of course, Graham is keen for me to do it for a while. I would quite like to "retire" and enjoy some time at home and travel within Australia, but the financial situation is grim.

Thank you again for your understanding and thoughtfulness which is very much appreciated. Though I must admit, I was just a little low.

With best wishes and God's blessings

Sincerely,

John Elliot