APPENDIX I

Important subjects that need to be treated in the future:

- One community raises the possibility that a lay community, after a time of formation while attached to a monastery, could become an independent and totally autonomous lay group.

- Some lay communities find it very difficult to accept that members belonging to other Christian confessions (non-Catholic) may be members of Lay Cistercian Communities.

- For some, a challenge may be the appearing in the future of some other type of belonging to the lay Cistercian life that does not include belonging to a Lay Community, while having nonetheless an explicit recognition by the monastery and by the Order.