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Other Pontifical Acts

Vatican City, 16 March 2016 – The Holy Father has appointed:

- Rev. Fr. Luis Angel de las Heras Berzal, C.M.F., as bishop of Mondoñedo-Ferrol (area 4,245, population 276,121, Catholics 274,290, priests 149, religious 220), Spain. The bishop-elect was born in Segovia, Spain in 1963, gave his religious vows in 1986 and was ordained a priest in 1988. He holds a degree in ecclesiastical studies, and has served in a number of roles within his order including assistant to the prefect for students at the Claretian seminary of Colmenar Viejo, Madrid, formator of postulants, superior and master of novices, provincial vicar and prefect of major seminarians. In the Claretian Confederation of Aragón, Castilla and León, he has served as delegate of the superior for formation, prefect of spirituality and formation, provincial vicar, and prefect of students and postulants, as well as professor at the Theological Institute of Religious Life and the Regina Apostolorum in Madrid. He is currently provincial superior of the Claretian Missionaries of the Province of Santiago and president of the Spanish Confederation of Religious (CONFER).
- Msgr. José Albuquerque de Araújo as auxiliary of Manaus (area 91,631, population 2,211,000, Catholics 1,570,000, priests 173, permanent deacons 40, religious 293), Brazil. The bishop-elect was born in Manaus, Brazil in 1968 and was ordained a priest in 1996. He holds a licentiate in dogmatic theology from the Pontifical Faculty "Nossa Senhora da Assunção" in São Paulo and a Master's degree in educational management from the "Serviço Nacional de Aprendizagem (SENAC), Manaus. He has served in a number of pastoral and academic roles, including parish administrator, prefect of studies in theology at the Institute of Pastoral Theology and Higher Education of Amazonia (ITEPES), and parish priest. He is currently rector of the "São José" archdiocesan seminary and lecturer in theology at ITEPES.
- Msgr. Luis Carlos Diaz as auxiliary of the archdiocese of São Paulo (area 655, population 7,175,239, Catholics 4,663,905, priests 915, permanent deacons 82, religious 2,242), Brazil. The bishop-elect was born in Caconde, Brazil in 1964 and was ordained a priest in 1991. He holds a licentiate in philosophy from the Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome, and has served in a number of pastoral roles in the diocese of São João da Boa Vista including rector of the minor seminary, parish vicar, parish priest, director of the Institute of Philosophy, rector of the seminary of theology in Magi Guaçu, coordinator of missionary pastoral ministry and member of the presbyteral council. He is currently member of the general secretariat of the Brazilian Episcopal Conference.

- Ferruccio Panicco and Alessandro Cassinis Righini as adjunct auditors.