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Apostolic Trip of His Holiness in Bulgaria and in North Macedonia (5 to 7 May 2019) – Updated programme

The programme of the Apostolic Trip of His Holiness Francis in Bulgaria and North Macedonia was published on 7 March; the following is the updated programme:

Sunday 5 May 2019

ROME-SOFIA

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| 07:00 | Departure by air from Rome-Fiumicino International Airport for Sofia | |
| 10:00 | Arrival at Sofia International Airport | |
| | OFFICIAL WELCOME | |
| 10:10 | MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER in the Governmental Lounge of the Airport | |
| 10:40 | WELCOME CEREMONY in the square adjacent to the Presidential Palace | |
| 11:00 | COURTESY VISIT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC in the Presidential Palace | |
| 11:30 | MEETING with the AUTHORITIES, with CIVIL SOCIETY and the DIPLOMATIC CORPS in Atanas Burov Square | <i>Address of the Holy Father</i> |
| 12:00 | VISIT TO THE PATRIARCH AND TO THE HOLY SYNOD in the Palace of the Holy Synod | <i>Address of the Holy Father</i> |

12:50	PRIVATE PRAYER BEFORE THE THRONE OF SAINTS CYRIL AND METHODIUS in the Patriarchal Cathedral of Saint Alexander Nevsky	
13:00	REGINA COELI in Saint Alexander Nevsky Square	<i>Regina Coeli</i>
16:45	HOLY MASS in Knyaz Alexandar Square	<i>Homily of the Holy Father</i>

Monday 6 May 2019

SOFIA-RAKOVSKY-SOFIA

08:80	PRIVATE VISIT TO A REFUGEE CAMP	
09:30	Departure by air for Rakovsky	
11:15	HOLY MASS WITH FIRST COMMUNIONS in the Church of the Sacred Heart of Rakovsky	<i>Homily of the Holy Father</i>
13:00	Lunch with the bishops of Bulgaria in the Convent of the Franciscan Sisters	
15:30	MEETING WITH THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY in the Church of Saint Michael Archangel in Rakovsky	<i>Address of the Holy Father</i>
17:15	Departure by air for Sofia	
18:15	PRAYER FOR PEACE PRESIDED AT BY THE HOLY FATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF LEADERS OF THE VARIOUS RELIGIOUS CONFESSIONS IN BULGARIA in Nezavisimost Square in Sofia	<i>Prayer of the Holy Father</i>

Tuesday 7 May 2019

SOFIA-SKOPJE-ROME

	FAREWELL CEREMONY in Sofia International Airport	
08:20	Departure by air from Sofia Airport for Skopje	
08:15	Arrival at Skopje International Airport	
	OFFICIAL WELCOME	
09:00	WELCOME CEREMONY in the courtyard of the Presidential Palace	
09:15	COURTESY VISIT TO THE PRESIDENT in the Presidential Palace	
09:30	MEETING with the PRIME MINISTER in the Presidential Palace	
09:45	MEETING with the AUTHORITIES, with CIVIL	<i>Address of the Holy Father</i>

	SOCIETY and with the DIPLOMATIC CORPS in the Mosaique Hall of the Presidential Palace	
10:20	VISIT TO THE MOTHER TERESA MEMORIAL WITH THE PRESENCE OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS AND MEETING WITH THE POOR	<i>Prayer of the Holy Father</i>
11:30	HOLY MASS in Macedonia Square	<i>Homily of the Holy Father</i>
13:30	Lunch with the Papal Entourage	
16:00	ECUMENICAL AND INTERRELIGIOUS MEETING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE in the Pastoral Centre	<i>Address of the Holy Father</i>
17:00	MEETING WITH PRIESTS, THEIR FAMILIES, AND RELIGIOUS in the Cathedral	<i>Address of the Holy Father</i>
18:15	FAREWELL CEREMONY at Skopje International Airport	
18:30	Departure of Papal aircraft for Rome-Ciampino	
20:30	Arrival at Roma-Ciampino International Airport	
