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Telegram of condolence on the death of His Eminence Cardinal Eduardo Martínez Somalo

The following is the telegram of condolence from the Holy Father to the Reverend Msgr. Fernando Loza Martínez the on the death yesterday of His Eminence Cardinal Eduardo Martínez Somalo, prefect emeritus of the Congregation for the Institutes of Consecrated Life and the Societies of Apostolic Life, Camerlengo emeritus of the Holy Roman Church, of the Title of the *Santissimo Nome di Gesù*:

Telegram of the Holy Father

REVEREND MONSIGNOR FERNANDO LOZA MARTÍNEZ

ARCHPRIEST'S PALACE VATICAN CITY

HAVING LEARNED OF THE PIOUS DEATH OF YOUR UNCLE, CARDINAL EDUARDO MARTINEZ SOMALO, I WISH TO EXPRESS MY CLOSENESS TO YOU, TO HIS RELATIVES, AND TO THOSE WHO KNEW AND ESTEEMED HIM, RECALLING WITH AFFECTION THE SPIRITUALLY FRUITFUL WITNESS OF THIS DEAR BROTHER. IN CONSIDERING WITH SINCERE ADMIRATION THE LONG AND RICH EXPERIENCE ACQUIRED BY THE DECEASED CARDINAL AND DEVOTED COLLABORATOR OF SIX POPES, MY PRECEDESSORS, WHO ENTRUSTED DELICATE AND IMPORTANT OFFICES TO HIM, I GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD FOR HIS FAITHFUL AND GENEROUS SERVICE TO THE CHURCH AND TO THE HOLY SEE. I ASK THE LORD, BY THE MATERNAL INTERCESSION OF THE HOLY VIRGIN, TO WELCOME HIM IN THE HOMELAND OF HEAVEN TO ENJOY THE BEATITUDE PROMISED TO FAITHFUL SERVANTS OF THE GOSPEL, AND I IMPART A HEARTFELT APOSTOLIC BLESSING TO THOSE WHO MOURN HIS PASSING, WITH A SPECIAL THOUGHT FOR THE MISSIONARY SISTERS OF JESUS THE ETERNAL PRIEST WHO LOVINGLY CARED FOR HIM.

FRANCISCUS PP.

From Vatican City, 11 August 2021
