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## Telegram of the Holy Father, signed by the Cardinal Secretary of State, for flood victims in Rwanda

The following is the telegram of condolence for the victims of the heavy flooding in Rwanda, sent on behalf of the Holy Father Francis by Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin to the apostolic nuncio of the country, Archbishop Arnaldo Catalan:

## **Telegram**

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HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS WAS DEEPLY SADDENED TO LEARN OF THE LOSS OF LIFE AND DESTRUCTION CAUSED BY THE RECENT FLOODING IN THE WESTERN AND NORTHERN PROVINCES OF RWANDA AND HE WISHES TO EXPRESS HIS SPIRITUAL CLOSENESS WITH ALL THOSE SUFFERING IN THE WAKE OF THIS DISASTER. HIS HOLINESS ALSO OFFERS THE ASSURANCE OF PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD, INJURED, AND DISPLACED AS WELL AS THOSE ENGAGED IN RECOVERY EFFORTS. AS A SIGN OF HIS SPIRITUAL CLOSENESS, THE HOLY FATHER WILLINGLY INVOKES UPON ALL THE PEOPLE OF RWANDA ALMIGHTY GOD'S BLESSINGS OF STRENGTH AND PEACE.

CARDINAL PIETRO PAROLIN