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On 4 July 2024, the Congress of the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith met to conclude the extrajudicial penal process referred to in canon 1720 *CIC* against the Most Reverend Carlo Maria Viganò, titular Archbishop of Ulpiana, accused of the reserved delict of schism (canons 751 and 1364 *CIC*; art. 2 *SST*).

His public statements manifesting his refusal to recognize and submit to the Supreme Pontiff, his rejection of communion with the members of the Church subject to him, and of the legitimacy and magisterial authority of the Second Vatican Council are well known.

At the conclusion of the penal process, the Most Reverend Carlo Maria Viganò was found guilty of the reserved delict of schism.

The Dicastery declared the *latae sententiae* excommunication in accordance with canon 1364 § 1 *CIC*.

The lifting of the censure in these cases is reserved to the Apostolic See.

This decision was communicated to the Most Reverend Viganò on 5 July 2024.