Dear friends and fellow-members,

According to the Rule and International Statutes approved in the Extraordinary General Assembly, in October 2003 in Rome (Italy), I am pleased to inform all Councils and Conferences, as well as the International Structure, the names of brothers and sisters appointed to take up international responsibilities between 1st January 2019 and 31st December 2020, as defined below:

**A – BOARD**
(Statues of the Confederation: 3.16 to 3.18)

**A 1 – BOARD (according to the Rule)**
(Statues of the Confederation: 3.16 to 3.18)

- **16th President General International**: Renato Lima de Oliveira (Brazil)
- **Vice-president General**: Joseph Pandian Thomas (India)
- **Secretary General**: Marie-Françoise Salésiani-Payet (France)
- **Treasurer General**: Larry Tuomey (Ireland)
- **1st Vice-president General Deputy**: Joseph Makwinja (Botswana)
- **2nd Vice-president General Deputy**: Sebastián Gramajo (Argentina)
- **International Vice-president for Youth, Children & Teenagers**: Willian Alves (Brazil)
- **Spiritual Adviser**: father Andrés Motto, CM (Argentina)

  ✓ **Administration Manager**: Claire-Hélène de Parseval (France)

**A 2 – OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD (invited by the PGI)**
(Statues of the Confederation: 3.16.4)

- **International Vice-president for Formation & Training**: Maria Luisa Tellez (Spain)
- **International Vice-president for Structure & Special Projects**: Maurice Yeung (Hong Kong)
- **International Vice-president for Institutional Relationship & Management**: Carmela Addante (Canada)
- **Chairman of Concordat**: Jean-Noël Cormier (Canada)
- **Chairman of the Strategic Department**: Alfons ten Velde (Netherlands)
- **Chairman of IFAC**: Claire Victory (Australia)

**B - PERMANENT SECTION**
(Statues of the Confederation: 5.2)

- **Board members**
- **12 International Territorial Vice-Presidents (see list below)**
(Statues of the Confederation: 3.22 and 3.23)

  ✓ **ITVP Africa 1**: Patrick Ebhojie (Nigeria)
✓ **ITVP Africa 2**: Ilidio Fernando Manhique (Mozambique)
✓ **ITVP Africa 3**: Liévin Andangha Muamba (Democratic Republic of Congo)
✓ **ITVP Middle East & North Africa**: Ella Bitar (Lebanon)
✓ **ITVP America 1**: Michael Nizankiewicz (USA)
✓ **ITVP America 2**: Maria del Carmen Guzman Soto (Guatemala)
✓ **ITVP America 3**: Julio César Marques de Lima (Brazil)
✓ **ITVP Asia 1**: Johnson Varghese (India)
✓ **ITVP Asia 2**: Thomas Tan (Singapore)
✓ **ITVP Oceania**: Frank Brassil (Australia)
✓ **ITVP Europe 1**: Laszlo Könczöl (Germany)
✓ **ITVP Europe 2**: Ervin Tigla (Romania)

C - INTERNATIONAL STRUCTURE
(Statutes of the Confederation: 3.22 to 3.24)

- 12 ITVP’s (see list above)
- Zone coordinators (see list below)

**AFRICA 1:**
Zone 1: Francis Kwaku Vittor (Ghana)
Zone 2: Sophia Nyang’ai (Kenya)

**AFRICA 2:**
Zone 1: Charles Loboka (South Sudan)
Zone 2: Tebogo Magakwa (Botswana)
Zone 3: José de Sousa Gomes (Angola)

**AFRICA 3:**
Zone 1: Pinoaga Marcel Tonde (Burkina Faso)
Zone 2: Charles Nahimana (Burundi)

**ASIA 1:**
ITVP: Johnson Varghese (India)

**ASIA 2:**
Zone 1: Salvador Silverio (Philippines)
Zone 2: Peter Suraphol Senavinin (Thailand)
Zone 3: Arthur Chan (Hong Kong)

**OCEANIA:**
Zone 1: Lily Lober (Samoa)
Zone 2: Keith Norton (New Zealand)

**MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA:**
ITVP: Ella Bitar (Lebanon)

**AMERICA 1:**
Zone 1: Mary Rose Knight (Antigua)

**AMERICA 2:**
Zone 1: Gladys Torralba (Mexico)
Zone 2: Rosa Maria Araujo (El Salvador)

**AMERICA 3:**
Zone 1: Margarita Henao Mejía (Colombia)
Zone 2: Sebastião Ribeiro da Silva (Brazil)
Zone 3: Francisco Velasco Echazarreta (Chile)
EUROPE 1:
Zone 1: Bill Lawson (England & Wales)
Zone 2: Hans-Ueli Gubser (Switzerland)
Zone 3: Juan Manuel Buergo Gómez (Spain)

EUROPE 2:
Zone 1: Ulrike Mattfeldt (Germany)
Zone 2: Ivana Buterin Gluic (Croatia)

D – MEMBERS WITH INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS
(Statues of the Confederation: 3.27)

D 1 - INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

Under 1st Vice-presidency General Deputy

✓ International Vice-president for Formation & Training: Maria Luisa Tellez (Spain)
✓ International Vice-president for Youth, Children & Teenagers: Willian Alves (Brazil)

Under 2nd Vice-presidency General Deputy

✓ International Vice-president for Structure & Special Projects: Maurice Yeung (Hong Kong)
✓ International Vice-president for Institutional Relationship & Management: Carmela Addante (Canada)

D 2 - SPECIAL PROJECTS TERRITORIAL DELEGATES

Africa 1: Augustine Inoh (Nigeria)
Africa 2: Betram Gordon Kuol (South Sudan)
Africa 3: Maximilien Usengumuremyi (Rwanda)
Asia 1: Gabriel Mondal (Bangladesh)
Asia 2: John O’Brien (Australia)
Middle East & North Africa: Khalil Nader (Lebanon)
America 1: Rudolph Boneo (Trinidad & Tobago)
America 2: Juan Cristobal Garcia Catavi (Guatemala)
America 3: Maria Rosa Corral (Ecuador)
Europe 1: to be nominated soon
Europe 2: Marilena Bartic (Romania)
Oceania: Ben Hazelman (Fiji)

✓ Staff support: Bruno Fabre (France)

D 3 - FORMATION AND TRAINING TERRITORIAL DELEGATES

Africa 1: Veronika Nwokocha (Nigeria)
Africa 2: Clement Venter (South Africa)
Africa 3: Ahadi Nazaire Sangli (Burkina Faso)
Asia 1: Anbiah Fernando Francis (India)
Asia 2: James Tay (Singapore)
Middle East & North Africa: Antoine Wehbi (Lebanon)
America 1: Jean-Noël Cormier (Canada)
America 2: Luz Maria Ramirez Gonzales (Mexico)
America 3: Renata Cristina Mancini (Brazil)
Europe 1: to be nominated soon
Europe 2: Eva Maria Peter (Romania)
D 4 - YOUTH TERRITORIAL DELEGATES

- **America 1** – Kymmala Natalia Francis Lewis (Grenada)
- **America 2** – Edgardo José Fuentes Flores (Honduras)
- **America 3** – Josmary Pallencia Centella (Venezuela)
- **Africa 1** – Joseph Bege Shemang (Nigeria)
- **Africa 2** – Boipelo Mathodlana (South Africa)
- **Africa 3** – Adou Marie Hortense Houalamin (Ivory Coast)
- **Asia 1** – Léo Levin Kumar (India)
- **Asia 2** – Gabriel Socheat Thon (Cambodia)
- **Middle-East & North Africa** – Tamer Chemaly (Lebanon)
- **Europe 1 & 2** – Mary Whilssy Candelaria (Czech Republic)
- **Oceania** – Luke Brouwer (Australia)

**E - COMMISSIONS, DEPARTMENTS, ADVISORS AND OTHER SERVICES**

(Statutes of the Confederation: 3.25 and 3.26)

**E 1 - STRATEGIC DEPARTMENT**

- **Chairman:** Alfons ten Velde (Netherlands)
  - **Ombudsman General:** Alfons ten Velde (Netherlands)
  - **Communication:** Carlos Lafarga (Spain)
  - **Strategic Plan:** Eduardo Marques (Honduras)
  - **United Nations:** Edmund Keane (USA)
  - **Vincentian Family:** Ricardo Tavares (Portugal)
  - **Vatican:** Antonio Gianfico (Italy)

**E 2 - TWINNINGS**

(Rule: Item 4.1)

- **VPG** Joseph Pandian Thomas (India)
- **Chairman:** Arthur Schultze (New Zealand)
- **Members:**
  - **Africa:** Josephine Obomighie (Nigeria)
  - **Asia:** Dunstan Dominic (Malaysia)
  - **America:** to be nominated
  - **Europe:** Terry Brown (England & Wales)
  - **Oceania:** Arthur Schultze (New Zealand)
  - **Special guest:** Steve Attwood (USA)

**E 3 - COMMISSION FOR INTERNATIONAL AID AND DEVELOPMENT (CIAD)**

- **VPG** Joseph Pandian Thomas (India)
- **Chairman:** Graham West (Australia)
- **Members:**
  - Larry Tuomey (Ireland)
  - Pius Ehiagwina (Nigeria)
  - Eduardo Tsukamoto (Brazil)
  - Girolamo Lucio Vergnani Noda (Venezuela)
  - Terry Wilson (USA)
  - John Lee (Hong Kong)
  - Rose McGowan (Ireland)
Ulrike Mattfeldt (Germany)

Staff support: Bruno Fabre (France)

E 4 - VINCENTIAN FAMILY DEPARTMENT*
(Rule: Item 4.3)

- Chairman: Ricardo Tavares (Portugal)
- Members:
  - Vincentian Family Executive Committee (VFEC): Renato Lima (Brazil) and Ricardo Tavares (Portugal)
  - Vincentian Family Collaboration Commission (VFCC): José Hailton Coelho (Brazil)
  - Vincentian Family Collaborative Action Program (VFCAP): José Hailton Coelho (Brazil) and Ada Ferreira (Brazil)
  - Vincentian Commission for Promoting Systemic Change: Said Safar (Lebanon)
  - Vincentian Family Haiti Initiative: Donald Kany (USA)
  - Latin American Systemic Change: José Hailton Coelho (Brazil)
  - FAMVIN Latin American Commission (FAVILA): Leny Guzman (Bolivia)
  - FAMVIN Homeless Alliance Commission: Graham West (Australia)
  - Communications: Karl Hilla (Czech Republic) and Carlos Lafarga (Spain)

- Task Forces (temporary):
  - “Youth and Charism” Task Force: Willian Alves (Brazil)
  - “Laity Expression of the Charism” Task Force: Eduardo Marques (Honduras)
  - “Formation” Task Force: Eduardo Marques (Honduras)
  - “Culture of Vocation” Task Force: Eduardo Marques (Honduras)
  - “New Structure for FAMVIN” Task Force: Ricardo Tavares (Portugal)

* Famvin is reconsidering its commission structure. Hence, both the organisation thereof and its members may be changed.

E 5 – LEGAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

- Chairman: Sebastian Gramajo (Argentina)

E 6 - CANONISATION DEPARTMENT “AMIN DE TARRAZI”

- Chairman: Sebastian Gramajo (Argentina)
- Members:
  - Father Giuseppe Guerra, CM (Italy) – postulator
  - Antonio Gianfico (Italy) – administrator
  - Renato Lima de Oliveira (Brazil) – member
  - Father Vinicius Teixeira, CM (Brazil) – vice-postulator
  - Adrian Abel (England & Wales) – member

- Staff support: Anne Wintenberger (France)

E 7 - VATICAN TEAM

- Chairman: Antonio Gianfico (Italy)
- Advisor: Sebastián Gramajo (Argentina)
- Members:
  - Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development: Renato Lima (Brazil)
  - Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life: Renato Lima (Brazil)
  - Deputy in both Dicasteries: Antonio Gianfico (Italy)
  - Iraqi-Syrian Humanitarian Crisis: Maurizio Ceste (Italy)
**E 8 - SSVP PLUS PROJECT**

- **Chairman:** Eduardo Marques (Honduras)
- **Support:**
  - ITVPs
  - Zone Coordinators
  - Board
  - Permanent Section

**E 9 - UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT**

- **Chairman:** Edmund Keane (USA)
- **Members:**
  - New York: Edmund Keane (USA) and Pattie Hugues (USA)
  - Genève (Unesco): Marie-Françoise Salésiani-Payet (France)
  - Paris (CCIC): to be nominated soon
  - **Staff support:** Claire-Hélène de Parseval (France)

**E 10 - INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL INVESTIGATION**

- **Chairman:** Juan Manuel Buergo (Spain)
- **Members:**
  - Maurizio Ceste (Italy)
  - Matthieu Brejon de Lavergnée (France)
  - Eduardo Marques (Honduras)
  - Ralph Middlecamp (USA)
  - Consultant: Javier Chento (Spain)
  - **Staff support:** Anne Wintenberger (France)

**E 11 - COMMITTEE OF RECONCILIATION**

(Statues of the Confederation: Item 6.11.1)

- **Chairman:** Cassiano Ricardo Nabuco de Abreu (Brazil)
- **Members:**
  - Marie-Françoise Salésiani-Payet (France)
  - Huascar Nabuco de Abreu Filho (Brazil)
  - **Staff support:** Bruno Fabre (France)

**E 12 - CHINA COMMISSION**

- **Chairman:** Maurice Yeung (Hong Kong)

**E 13 - RULE AND STATUTES DEPARTMENT**

- **Chairman:** to be nominated soon.
- **Advisor:** Eduardo Marques (Honduras)
- **Members:**
  - English Statutes: Joseph Pandian Thomas (India)
  - Spanish Statutes: Celeste Godoy (Argentina)
  - Portuguese Statutes: Jean de Maurais Araújo (Brazil)
  - French Statutes: Bertrand Ousset (France)
  - **Staff support:** Claire-Hélène de Parseval (France)

**E 14 - INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (IEC)**

(Statues of the Confederation: Item 4)
• **Members by right (more than 1,000 Conferences):** Australia, Brazil, Republic Democratic of Congo, England & Wales, India, Ireland, Italy, United States of America, Nigeria and Zambia.

• **Non-permanent members (2019-2021):** Canada, Lebanon, Croatia, New Zealand and Sri Lanka.

• **Permanent member:** France.

**E 15 - CONCORDAT**

• **Chairman:** Jean-Noël Cormier (Canada)

• **Members:** Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China/Hong Kong, England & Wales, France, India, Ireland, Italy, Monaco, Malaysia, Netherland, New Zealand, Scotland, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, United States of America.

  ✓ Staff support: Liliane Monteiro (France)

**E 16 - INTERNATIONAL FINANCE ACCOUNTABILITY COMMISSION (IFAC)**

• **Chairman:** Claire Victory (Australia)

• **Members:**
  ✓ Geoff Meagher (Ireland)
  ✓ Peter Keshwar (South Africa)
  ✓ Michael Nizankiewicz (USA)
  ✓ Peter Watson (Malaysia)

  ✓ Staff support: Liliane Monteiro (France)

**E 17 - DEPAUL INTERNATIONAL**

• **CGI’s representative on Administration Council:** Adrian Abel (England & Wales)

**E 18 - BUILDING PARIS HEAD OFFICE COMMISSION**

• **Chairman:** Bertrand Ousset (France)

• **Members:**
  ✓ Larry Tuomey (Ireland)
  ✓ Other members chosen by brother Bertrand

**E 19 - AGGREGATION AND INSTITUTION**

*(Statues of the Confederation: Item 6)*

• **Chairman:** Bertrand Ousset (France)

  ✓ Staff support: Anne Wintenberger (France)

**E 20 – SPECIAL COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE INTERNATIONAL STATUES**

• **Chairman:** Bertrand Ousset (France)

• **Members:**
  ✓ Renato Lima de Oliveira (Brasil)
  ✓ Juan Manuel Buergo Gómez (Spain)
  ✓ Sebastián Gramajo (Argentina)
  ✓ Cathryn Moore (Australia)
  ✓ Ralph Middlecamp (USA)
✓ Maurice Yeung (Hong Kong)
✓ Staff support: Claire-Hélène de Parseval (France)

E 21 - COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT

• Chairman: Carlos Lafarga (Spain)
• Members:
  ✓ Ozanam TV: Denilson Sá (Brazil)
  ✓ Social media: Mary Whilssy Candelaria (Czech Republic)
  ✓ Portuguese representative: Marcos Perassoli (Brazil)
  ✓ English representative: Mary Whilssy Candelaria and Karl Hila (Czech Republic)
  ✓ French representative: to be nominated soon
  ✓ Spanish representative: Carlos Lafarga (Spain)
  ✓ Graphics & Drawings: Marcos Perassoli (Brazil)
  ✓ Webmaster: SSVP Spain
  ✓ FAMVIN Communication team: Karl Hila (Czech Republic)

E 22 – SPECIAL COMMISSION TO DISCUSS THE INTERNATIONAL LOGO

• Chairman: David Barringer (USA)
• Members:
  ✓ France
  ✓ Australia
  ✓ Nigeria
  ✓ Italy
  ✓ Brazil
  ✓ USA
  ✓ CGI representatives: Carlos Lafarga (Spain) and Renato Lima (PGI)

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The above missions will come to an end on 31st December 2020. The Council General International is delighted with these appointments, and is assured of the excellent work of all those with a mission to fulfil in service of the poor. With my very best wishes to all, in Saint Vincent de Paul and Blessed Frédéric Ozanam.

Brother Renato Lima de Oliveira
16th President General