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"In the name of God who has created all human beings equal in rights, duties and dignity, and who has called them to live together as brothers and sisters, to reform the earth."

(From the Human Fraternity Document)

Your Excellencies, the honorable Heads of the Diplomatic Missions of the Vatican City abroad,

The UN General Assembly has recently declared February 4th as the "International Day of Human Fraternity". This was indeed a much-needed breakthrough in our Modern Times, that marks the anniversary of signing the Human Fraternity Document (HFD) in Abu Dhabi by His Holiness Pope Francis, the Pontiff of the Catholic Church and His Eminence Prof. Ahmad At-Tayyeb, the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar Ash-Sharif. Upon which they have jointly received the Zayed Award for Human Fraternity in its first year, which was launched in appreciation of their courageous and compassionate joint efforts.

On behalf of myself and my colleagues, the members of the Higher Committee of Human Fraternity, I invite you to participate in commemorating the first "International Day of Human Fraternity" on February 4th, 2021 in the countries you represent the Vatican City in and to kindly encourage your colleagues and strategic partners to follow suit. It is the first time for the world to mark that day and thus mobilizing support and highlighting the importance of the values it stands for is pivotal at that stage.

We suggest you kindly introduce your circles to the HFD, which I am pleased to attach herewith a copy for your kind reference. Also educate them about the first "International Day of Human Fraternity" and the Zayed Award for Human Fraternity. Moreover, possibly social media platforms that you maintain can post about them. It will be great if conventional media platforms that you have relations with are utilized too.

We hope you will kindly keep us informed about any activities or media coverage from your side about this occasion so that we can document and share them to multiply the impact and reach wider audiences.

Yours Respectfully,

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Secretary-General of the Higher Committee of Human Fraternity