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Reverend Father,

I am pleased to forward to you the text of the telegram which the Holy Father, Francis, has desired to send upon the death of Reverend Father Reginald FOSTER, O.C.D., former Official of this Secretariat of State:

THE SUPREME PONTIFF, FRANCIS, HAS RECEIVED NEWS THAT FATHER REGINALD FOSTER, O.C.D., HAS DEPARTED FROM THIS WORLD TO PASS OVER TO THE FATHER'S HOUSE, WHO [REGINALD] COMPLETED VERY MANY YEARS IN THE SECRETARIAT OF STATE, AND WHO BRIGHTENED INNUMERABLE PONTIFICAL DOCUMENTS WITH LATIN'S SPLENDOR WHICH HE, UNREMITTING, ALSO HANDED ON ABUNDANTLY AND PLENTIFULLY TO HIS MANY RETURNING STUDENTS, AND HE [THE SUPREME PONTIFF] HIMSELF PRAYS THAT HE [REGINALD] HEAPED WITH MERITS MAY RECEIVE A REWARD FROM THE LORD IN A FULL MEASURE.

CARDINAL OF THE HOLY ROMAN CHURCH
PETER PAROLIN
SECRETARY OF STATE

I readily use this occasion to to confirm my religious esteem

for you Most Reverend Father

The Most devout
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