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## Resignations and Appointments

Appointment of apostolic nuncio in Georgia

Appointment of members of the pre-Synodal Council of the Special Assembly of the Synod of Bishops for the Pan-Amazon Region

### Appointment of apostolic nuncio in Georgia

The Pope has appointed as apostolic nuncio in Georgia H.E. Msgr. José Avelino Bettencourt, titular bishop of Cittanova and apostolic nuncio in Armenia.

### Appointment of members of the pre-Synodal Council of the Special Assembly of the Synod of Bishops for the Pan-Amazon Region

The Holy Father Francis has appointed the Members of the pre-Synodal Council, which will collaborate with the General Secretariat in the preparation of the aforementioned Special Assembly:

1. His Eminence Cardinal **Cláudio HUMMES**, O.F.M., archbishop emeritus of São Paulo (Brazil), President of the *Red Eclesial Panamazónica*.
2. His Eminence Cardinal **Peter Kodwo Appiah TURKSON**, prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development.

3. His Eminence Cardinal **Carlos AGUIAR RETES**, archbishop of México (Mexico).
  4. His Excellency Msgr. **Pedro Ricardo BARRETO JIMENO**, S.J., archbishop of Huancayo (Peru), Vice President of the *Red Eclesial Panamazónica*.
  5. His Excellency Msgr. **Paul Richard GALLAGHER**, titular archbishop of Hodelm, Secretary for Relations with States.
  6. His Excellency Msgr. **Edmundo Ponciano VALENZUELA MELLID**, archbishop of Asunción (Paraguay).
  7. His Excellency Msgr. **Roque PALOSCHI**, archbishop of Porto Velho, Rondônia (Brazil).
  8. His Excellency Msgr. **Oscar Vicente OJEA**, bishop of San Isidro, President of the Episcopal Conference (Argentina).
  9. His Excellency Msgr. **Neri José TONDELLO**, bishop of Juína, Mato Grosso (Brazil).
  10. His Excellency Msgr. **Karel Martinus CHOENNIE**, bishop of Paramaribo (Suriname).
  11. His Excellency Msgr. **Erwin KRÄUTLER**, C.PP.S., prelate emeritus of Xingu, Pará (Brazil).
  12. His Excellency Msgr. **José Ángel DIVASSÓN CILVETI**, S.D.B., formerly vicar apostolic of Puerto Ayacucho (Venezuela), titular bishop of Bamaccora.
  13. His Excellency Msgr. **Rafael COB GARCÍA**, vicar apostolic of Puyo, titular bishop of Cerbali (Ecuador).
  14. His Excellency Msgr. **Eugenio COTER**, vicar apostolic of Pando, titular bishop of Tibiuca (Bolivia).
  15. His Excellency Msgr. **Joaquín Humberto PINZÓN GÚIZA**, I.M.C., vicar apostolic of Puerto Leguízamo-Solano, titular bishop of Ottocio (Colombia).
  16. His Excellency Msgr. **David MARTÍNEZ DE AGUIRRE GUINEA**, O.P., vicar apostolic of Puerto Maldonado, titular bishop of Izirzada (Peru).
  17. Rev. Sr. **María Irene LOPES DOS SANTOS**, S.C.M.S.T.B.G., delegate of the *Confederación Latinoamericana y Caribeña de Religiosos y Religiosas (CLAR)*.
  18. Mr. **Mauricio LÓPEZ**, executive secretary of *REPAM* (Ecuador).
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