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Telegram of condolences for the victims of the air accident at José Martí International Airport, Havana, Cuba

The following is the telegram of condolences for the victims of the tragic air accident that occurred yesterday at José Martí International Airport, Havana, Cuba, sent by Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin on behalf of the Holy Father to the archbishop of Santiago de Cuba, H.E. Msgr. Dionisio Guillermo García Ibáñez:

Telegram

MSGR. DIONISIO GIULLERMO GARCÍA IBÁÑEZ
ARCHBISHOP OF SANTIAGO DE CUBA
PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF CUBA

THE HOLY FATHER, DEEPLY SADDENED TO LEARN OF THE ACCIDENT THAT OCCURRED AT JOSÉ MARTÍ INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN HAVANA THAT CLAIMED MANY VICTIMS, OFFERS HIS PRAYERS FOR THE ETERNAL REPOSE OF THE DECEASED, AND EXPRESSES HIS CLOSENESS TO THE WOUNDED.

LIKEWISE, I BEG YOUR EXCELLENCY TO CONVEY HIS HOLINESS' CONDOLENCES, ALONG WITH EXPRESSIONS OF CONSOLATION TO THE RELATIVES, WHO IN THIS HOUR OF SUFFERING MOURN THE UNEXPECTED SEPARATION FROM THEIR LOVED ONES, AT THE SAME TIME ASKING THE LORD TO POUR FORTH ON THOSE CONCERNED THE GIFTS OF SPIRITUAL SERENITY AND CHRISTIAN HOPE, AS A PLEDGE OF WHICH HE IMPARTS A HEARTFELT APOSTOLIC BLESSING.

CARDINAL PIETRO PAROLIN
SECRETARY OF STATE OF HIS HOLINESS

