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The Holy Father's condolences for the death of Cardinal Fernando Sebastián Aguilar, C.M.F.

The following is the telegram of condolences for the death yesterday of His Eminence Cardinal Fernando Sebastián Aguilar, C.M.F., archbishop emeritus of Pamplona y Tudela, of the Title of Santa Angela Merici, sent on behalf of the Holy Father by Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin, to H.E. Msgr. Francisco Pérez González, archbishop of Pamplona y Tudela:

<u>Telegram</u>

MSGR. FRANCISCO PÉREZ GONZÁLEZ ARCHBISHOP OF PAMPLONA Y TUDELA

POPE FRANCIS, HAVING RECEIVED THE SAD NEWS OF THE PASSING OF CARDINAL FERNANDO SEBASTIAN AGUILAR, ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS OF PAMPLONA Y TUDELA, IMPLORES YOUR EXCELLENCY TO BE SO KIND AS TO CONVEY TO HIS FAMILY, HIS BROTHER CLARETIAN MISSIONARIES, TO THE PRIESTS AND FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE, HIS CONDOLENCES AND HIS PATERNAL CLOSENESS. REMEMBERING WITH GRATITUDE THE ABUNDANT FRUITS OF HIS SERVICE TO THE CHURCH IN SPAIN, BOTH WITHIN THE EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE AND IN THE RESPECTIVE DIOCESES OF LEÓN, GRANADA, PAMPLONA Y TUDELA, MÁLAGA AND LOGROÑO, AS WELL AS HIS FRUITFUL WORK AS LECTURER AND RECTOR IN THE PONTIFICAL UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA, THE HOLY FATHER OFFERS PRAYERS FOR THE ETERNAL REPOSE OF THE DECEASED PRELATE, AND IMPARTS WITH AFFECTION HIS APOSTOLIC BLESSING, AS A SIGN OF FAITH AND HOPE IN THE RESURRECTED CHRIST.

> CARDINAL PIETRO PAROLIN SECRETARY OF STATE OF HIS HOLINESS