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The Holy Father's condolences for the victims of the sinking of a ferry on the Tigris River in Mosul, Iraq

The following is the telegram of condolences for the victims of the sinking yesterday of a ferry on the Tigris River in Mosul, Iraq, sent on behalf of the Holy Father Francis to the local ecclesiastical and civil authorities by Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin:

Telegram

His Holiness Pope Francis was deeply saddened to learn of all who lost their lives following the tragic sinking of a ferry in the Tigris River in Mosul. Expressing his prayerful solidarity with those who mourn, His Holiness commends the deceased to the mercy of the Almighty, and prays for the local authorities and emergency personnel. Upon the whole Iraqi nation Pope Francis invokes the divine blessings of healing, strength and consolation.

Cardinal Pietro Parolin
Secretary of State