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Appresa la notizia della scomparsa dell'Em.mo Card. Maurice Michael Otunga, avvenuta nelle prime ore di questa mattina a Nairobi (Kenya), il Santo Padre Giovanni Paolo II ha fatto pervenire a S.E. Mons. Raphael S. Ndingi Mwana'a Nzeki, Arcivescovo di Nairobi, il telegramma di cordoglio che pubblichiamo di seguito:

• TELEGRAMMA DEL SANTO PADRE

TO THE MOST REVEREND

RAPHAEL S. NDINGI MWANA'A NZEKI,

ARCHBISHOP OF NAIROBI

IT IS WITH DEEP SADNESS THAT I LEARNED OF THE DEATH OF CARDINAL MAURICE MICHAEL OTUNGA, AND I WISH TO ASSURE YOU AND ALL THE FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NAIROBI OF MY PRAYERS TO THE GOOD SHEPHERD THAT, IN HIS TENDER LOVE, HE WILL BRING THIS DEDICATED SERVANT SPEEDILY TO THE PLACE PREPARED FOR HIM AT THE HEAVENLY BANQUET. I JOIN YOU IN GIVING THANKS TO ALMIGHTY GOD FOR THE MANY GRACES BESTOWED ON THE CHURCH THROUGH CARDINAL OTUNGA'S LONG YEARS OF GENEROUS SERVICE AS PRIEST AND BISHOP. WITH HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO ALL WHO MOURN THE LOSS OF THIS DEVOTED PASTOR, I CORDIALLY IMPART MY APOSTOLIC BLESSING AS A PLEDGE OF COMFORT AND PEACE IN THE RISEN SAVIOUR.

IOANNES PAULUS II

