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## **Appeal for reconciliation and peace in the Democratic Republic of the Congo**

“In the light of my recent meeting with the president and vice-president of the Episcopal Conference of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, I once more make a heartfelt appeal to all Congolese that, in this delicate moment in their story, they be artisans of reconciliation and peace. May those with political responsibility listen to the voice of their conscience, may they be able to see the cruel sufferings of their compatriots, and have the common good at heart. In assuring my support and my affection to the beloved people of the country, I invite all to let themselves be guided by the light of the Redeemer of the world, and pray that the Nativity of the Lord open up pathways of hope”.