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Telegram of the Holy Father for the death of His Eminence Cardinal Zenon Grocholewski

The following is the telegram of condolences for the death this morning of His Eminence Cardinal Zenon Grocholewski, of the title of San Nicola in Carcere, prefect emeritus of the Congregation for Catholic Education (for Educational Institutes), sent by the Holy Father Francis to the late cardinal's brother, Władisław Grocholewski:

Telegram of the Holy Father

DISTINGUISHED MR. WŁADISŁAW GROCHOLEWSKI

POZNAŃ

UPON LEARNING OF THE DEATH OF YOUR BELOVED BROTHER, CARDINAL ZENON GROCHOLEWSKI, I WISH TO EXPRESS TO YOU AND TO YOUR FAMILY MY SYMPATHY FOR THE MOURNING OF THOSE WHO KNEW AND ESTEEMED THE LATE CARDINAL. I RECALL WITH GRATITUDE THE COMMENDABLE WORK HE CARRIED OUT AS A VALUED LECTURER IN CANON LAW AT THE PONTIFICAL GREGORIAN AND LATERAN UNIVERSITIES, AND AS THE AUTHOR OF NUMEROUS SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS. IN PARTICULAR HE DEVOTED HIMSELF GENEROUSLY TO THE SERVICE OF THE HOLY SEE, FIRST AS SECRETARY AND PREFECT OF THE SUPREME TRIBUNAL OF THE APOSTOLIC SIGNATURA, THEN AS PREFECT OF THE CONGREGATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION. IN THESE AREAS HE BORE WITNESS TO PRIESTLY ZEAL, FIDELITY TO THE GOSPEL AND THE EDIFICATION OF THE CHURCH. AS I RAISE MY PRAYER TO THE LORD JESUS THAT HE MAY GIVE THE LATE CARDINAL THE ETERNAL REWARD PROMISED TO HIS DISCIPLES, I SEND MY APOSTOLIC BLESSING TO YOU AND TO ALL THOSE WHO MOURN HIS PASSING.

FRANCISCUS PP.