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Visit of the Holy Father Francis to Florence on the occasion of the Meeting of Mediterranean Bishops and Mayors (Sunday 27 February 2022) – updated Programme

The programme of the Holy Father Francis' visit to Florence was published on 15 November 2021. The following is the updated programme:

7.00	Departure from the Vatican by helicopter
8.00	Arrival at the "Luigi Ridolfi" Athletics Stadium, in private
8.30	Arrival of the Holy Father at Palazzo Vecchio
8.45	SALONE DEI CINQUECENTO
	Greeting from:
	- Dario Nardella, mayor of Florence;
	- Kostas Bakoyannis, mayor of Athens;
	- Moshe Lion, mayor of Jerusalem;
	- Ekrem İmamoğlu, mayor of Istanbul.
	- Cardinal Gualtiero Bassetti, metropolitan archbishop of Perugia-Città della Pieve, president of the Italian Episcopal Conference.
	* Address of the Holy Father

9.30	SALA D'ARME
	The Holy Father will meet with refugee families (no speeches)
10.00	The Holy Father will transfer by car to the Basilica of Santa Croce, where he
	will be received by the religious Community of the Friars Minor.
	- Private meeting with the President of the Italian Republic.
10.30	BASILICA DI SANTA CROCE: Holy Mass
	* Homily of the Holy Father
	Before the final blessing:
	- Thanksgiving from Cardinal Gualtiero Bassetti, president of the Italian
	Episcopal Conference.
12.00	Entrance to the Basilica: Angelus
	Thanksgiving from Cardinal Giuseppe Betori, metropolitan archbishop of
	Florence.
12.30	Departure by helicopter from the "Luigi Ridolfi" Athletics Stadium
13.30	Arrival at the Vatican heliport.