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Telegram of the Holy Father, signed by the Cardinal Secretary of State, for the victims of the attack in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The following is the telegram of condolence for the victims of the attack that took place on Sunday 15 January 2023, in a church in Kasindi, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, sent on behalf of the Holy Father Francis by Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin to the Reverend André Bokundoa-Bo-Likabe, president of the Church of Christ in the Congo:

Telegram

REVEREND ANDRÉ BOKUNDOA-BO-LIBAKE

PRESIDENT OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IN THE CONGO

HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS HAS LEARNED WITH SORROW OF THE ATTACK ON A PENTECOSTAL CHURCH IN KASINDI, WHICH CAUSED THE LOSS OF INNOCENT LIVES. HE WISHES TO EXPRESS HIS COMPASSION AND CLOSENESS TO ALL THE FAMILIES SEVERELY AFFECTED BY THIS TRAGEDY. IN PRAYER, THE HOLY FATHER COMMENDS THE DECEASED AND INJURED TO GOD'S MERCY. HE IMPLORES CHRIST, LORD OF LIFE, THAT THE AFFLICTED MAY FIND CONSOLATION AND TRUST IN GOD, INVOKING UPON THEM THE GIFT OF PEACE.

CARDINAL PIETRO PAROLIN

SECRETARY OF STATE OF HIS HOLINESS