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Your Grace,

I have the pleasure to transmit to you the following Message of His Eminence Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Secretary of State, stating that His Holiness the Pope was ever so kind to send his warm greetings with regards to the *International Ecumenical Gathering: "Undivided – A Christian Celebration"*, which will take place in this Archdiocese in the coming month:

*«The Most Reverend Charles J. Scicluna  
Archbishop of Malta*

*His Holiness Pope Francis was pleased to learn of the International Ecumenical Gathering "Undivided – A Christian Celebration" to take place in Malta on 2 October 2016, and he sends warm greetings to all participating in this day of praise, worship and witness. His Holiness encourages all present to see in this celebration not only an opportunity to encounter Christ, but also an occasion to deepen the fraternal bonds born of our common baptism. In this way, the prayer of those gathered will be united with Jesus' prayer that we may be one as he is one with the Father (cf. John 17:11), and will foster an ever greater witness to a desire for unity and a common expression of faith in the Lord. With these sentiments, Pope Francis prays that the Holy Spirit may inflame the hearts of those gathered with divine love and fill them with Christ's mercy, and he willingly sends his blessing.*

*Cardinal Pietro Parolin  
Secretary of State».*

I avails myself of this opportunity to send my most cordial greeting.

Your sincerely in Christ,

Mons. Simón Bolívar Sánchez Carrión  
Chargé d'Affaires, a.i.

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