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From the Vatican, 16 June 2015

Your Eminence, Your Grace, Your Excellency:

I have the pleasure of forwarding to you a Note written by the Holy Father as well as the text of the Encyclical Letter *Laudato Sī*

All the materials you are receiving at this moment remain under strict embargo until 10:00 a.m. (GMT) or 12:00 noon (CEST, that is, Rome time) on Thursday 18 June, and the Holy Father expressly asks you to please respect the embargo scrupulously.

In addition to the Encyclical itself, you will find three further links:

- A *Summary*, prepared especially for Bishops, to be read with the text of the Encyclical at hand.
- A *̄Map̄* meant for the media, highlighting what would capture their attention.
- *Questions and Answers*, referring to the Encyclical, each question with a brief reply to be adapted or developed.

The handwritten Note of the Holy Father and the Encyclical Letter *Laudato Sī* may be found here:

<https://vaticloud.vatican.va/oc/public.php?service=files&t=18af804493adcbb923cf8bd075e76ca6>

At 9:00 a.m. (GMT) or 11.00 a.m. (CEST), the Conference presenting the Encyclical in the New Synod Hall can be followed at this link:

<http://www.ctv.va/content/ctv/it/livetv.html>

<http://player.rv.va/>

After 10:00 a.m. (GMT) or 12:00 noon (CEST) on 18 June, you will find the Encyclical on the Vatican website www.vatican.va

If you prepare a written or audio-visual presentation, please do send a copy or the link to encyclica2015@net.va

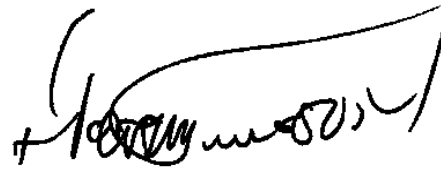
Please allow me to repeat the Holy Father's great wish and indeed insistence that the Encyclical and the additional material remain under full embargo until noon (Rome) or 10:00 (GMT) on Thursday, 18 June.

It only remains to entrust the Encyclical Letter, its reception and implementation, to the guidance of the Holy Spirit and to the intercession of Our Blessed Mother, of St Joseph the Protector, of St Francis and all the Saints.

I assure you of my prayers for your ministry and for all those entrusted to your care, while renewing my sincere thanks and best wishes.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Cardinal Peter K.A. Turkson,
President
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Turkson', written in a cursive style.