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Dear Mr. Maniscalco,

At the request of the Secretariat of State, I am pleased to forward to you the following message of His Eminence Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Secretary of State of His Holiness Pope Francis:

On the occasion of the New York Encounter sponsored by Communion and Liberation, His Holiness Pope Francis sends cordial greetings and prayerful best wishes to all gathered for this annual meeting. His Holiness trusts that these days of dialogue and fellowship will promote that "culture of encounter", so necessary in our times, in which people of good will are committed "to find points of agreement amid conflict, build bridges and make peace for the benefit of all" (Christus Vivit, 169). Upon the organizers and those taking part in the 2020 Encounter His Holiness invokes the divine blessings of wisdom, joy and peace.

*Cardinal Pietro Parolin
Secretary of State*

Looking forward to see you in New York on February 15, with prayerful best wishes and cordial regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Christophe Pierre
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