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Resignations and Appointments

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Resignation of metropolitan archbishop of Madang, Papua New Guinea, and appointment of new metropolitan archbishop

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the archdiocese of Madang, Papua New Guinea, presented by H.E. Msgr. Stephen Joseph Reichert, O.F.M. Cap.

The Pope has appointed H.E. Msgr. **Anton Bal**, currently bishop of Kundiawa, as archbishop of the same metropolitan see.

Appointment of apostolic administrator of Fabriano-Matelica, Italy

The Holy Father has appointed H.E. Msgr. **Francesco Massara**, archbishop of Camerino-San Severino Marche,

as apostolic administrator of the diocese of Fabriano-Matelica, Italy.

Appointment of apostolic administrator *sede vacante et ad nutum Sanctae Sedis* of the territorial prelatry of Huamachuco, Peru

The Holy Father has appointed as apostolic administrator *sede vacante et ad nutum Sanctae Sedis* of the territorial prelatry of Huamachuco, Peru, the Rev. Fr. Pascual Benjamín Rivera Montoya, T.O.R., episcopal pro-vicar of the Vicariate III of the archdiocese of México, Mexico.

Appointment of adjunct under-secretary of the Pontifical Council for Culture

The Holy Father has appointed as adjunct under-secretary of the Pontifical Council for Culture the Rev. Msgr. Carlo Maria Polvani, currently in service in the Section for General Affairs of the Secretariat of State.

Rev. Msgr. Carlo Maria Polvani

The Rev. Msgr. Carlo Maria Polvani was born in Milan on 28 July 1965. He attended the *Istituto Leone XIII* in Milan and the *Collège Stanislas* in Montréal. He received a B.Sc. (1985) and a doctorate (1990) from the Department of Biochemistry of McGill University, Montréal. He obtained a Master of Divinity in 1993 from the Weston Jesuit School of Theology (Cambridge, United States of America). After obtaining a licentiate in canon law from the Pontifical Gregorian University, he specialised in jurisprudence and forensic psychology in 1996 and received a doctorate in canon law in 1999. A resident of the Pontifical Lombard Seminary in Rome, he was ordained a priest for the archdiocese of Milan on 14 February 1998, and since 2013 he is a Prelate of His Holiness. After attending the Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy, he was admitted to the Diplomatic Service of the Holy See in July 1999 and sent to the apostolic nunciature in Mexico. Since 2001 he has worked in the Secretariat of State as head of the Information and Documentation Office and of the Technical Office of the Section for General Affairs, as well as Holy See Representative in the Government Advisory Committee of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN). In 2015 he was appointed as member of the Commission on the Vatican media and the executive Committee on Information and Communication Technology of the Holy See. He is the author of various scientific articles. Besides Italian, he knows English, French, Spanish and German.

Appointment of substitute Promoter of Justice at the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura

The Holy Father has appointed as Promoter of Justice at the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura the Rev. Msgr. Alberto Perlasca, currently in service in the Section for General Affairs of the Secretariat of State.

Rev. Msgr. Alberto Perlasca

The Rev. Msgr. Alberto Perlasca was born in Como on 21 June 1960. and was ordained a priest for the same diocese on 13 June 1992. He holds a degree in jurisprudence from the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart and in canon law from the Pontifical Gregorian University. He was named Chaplain of His Holiness in 2006. In the month of October 2003 he commenced service at the Legal office of the Section for General Affairs of the Secretariat of State, and was incorporated in the Diplomatic Service of the Holy See. From April 2006 to May 2008 he worked at the apostolic nunciature in Argentina. He then returned to the Secretariat of State at the Administrative Office, of which he was head from the month of July 2009. He is a member of the managing

boards of the *Fondo Pensioni*, the *Fondo Assistenza Sanitaria* and the *Bambino Gesù* Paediatric Hospital; in addition he is a member of the college of auditors of the *Joseph Ratzinger-Benedict XVI* Vatican Foundation. He has held various roles, including consultant of the Congregation for the Institutes of Consecrated Life and the Societies of Apostolic Life. Besides Italian, he knows English, French and Spanish.
