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Dear Mr. Hatem Abdel Qader,

I write to thank You sincerely for the congratulatory greetings you expressed, on the occasion of the election of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV.

In his address to the Diplomatic Corps accredited to the Holy See, Pope Leo XIV expressed his appreciation for all the messages of good wishes he received with these words: *"I would also like to express my gratitude for your many messages of good wishes following my election"*.

Allow me to share with You the hope, which the Holy Father holds dear in his heart as he takes on the ministry as Universal Pastor of the Church:

"My ministry has begun in the heart of a Jubilee Year, devoted in a particular way to hope. It is a time of conversion and renewal and, above all, an opportunity to leave conflicts behind and embark on a new path, confident that, by working together, each of us in accordance with his or her own sensibilities and responsibilities, can build a world in which everyone can lead an authentically human life in truth, justice and peace".

With sentiments of esteem and cordial regards, I remain

Yours sincerely,

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Apostolic Delegate

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