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His Eminence Mor Yacoub Eduardo Aguirre
Archbishop of Central America

Your Eminence, dear Brother in Christ,

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"Through His compassion, He entered towards Adam to lift him up from His fall, and He gave him good hope, through the banner full of Resurrection (the Cross)".

Mor Aphrem the Syriac (from the Prayers of the Holy Saturday)

Christ is risen … with great glory and Power

We are pleased to congratulate Your Holiness on the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, conquering thus death, Satan and sin.

The way of the cross that we are passing through in the Middle East is long; however, we believe that Resurrection follows. Our hope is great that these dark clouds in the sky of our Orient will be shattered away and safety and peace will return to our land.

We pray the Risen Lord, Who conquered evil and darkness, the Lord of life and death, to protect you and keep you in His divine care, granting Your Holiness and the flock entrusted to you health and happiness. May the Grace of our Lord be with us.

In Christ our Lord, we remain fraternally,

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