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# 4. MEETING WITH HIS EXCELLENCY ARCHBISHOP DOMINIQUE MAMBERTI, HOLY SEE SECRETARY FOR RELATIONS WITH STATES (FOREIGN MINISTER)

Date

Saturday 26 April 2014

Time

18:00 - 18:30

Location

Offices of the Secretariat of State

# Attending

- You will be accompanied by Ambassador McCarthy and his Deputy,
- Archbishop Mamberti will be accompanied by Monsignor Joseph Murphy.
- Biography Archbishop Mamberti at <u>Attachment A</u>.

# Purpose of meeting and desired outcomes

- The Australian Embassy has requested this meeting.
- Archbishop Mamberti will visit Australia in November 2014 (the first such visit by a Secretary for Relations with States) and his official programme will include a meeting with Foreign Minister, the Hon Julie Bishop MP.
- Your meeting will be the first opportunity for a representative of the current Australian Government to meet with the Holy See Secretary for Relations with States, ahead of his visit to Australia in November.
- Ambassador McCarthy and will provide further briefing for this meeting on arrival.

# **Previous dealings**

 Archbishop Mamberti met the Hon Julie Bishop MP in 2010, when she attended the Canonisation of Saint Mary of the Cross (Mary MacKillop).

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# Sensitivities

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#### **Talking points**

Provided by the Department of Foreign Affairs

- Your Excellency, I look forward to your proposed visit to Australia in November [timed to coincide with the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, Sydney 24-28 November].
- I understand this would be your first visit to Australia.
- Note that this year marks the centenary of the establishment of the Apostolic Delegation in Sydney (1914).
- It is a significant milestone in the bilateral relationship, as was last year's 40th Anniversary of our diplomatic relations.
- The Embassy will celebrate both these occasions with a special function on 28 April.
- From the time of the original Apostolic Delegation, through the
  establishment of diplomatic relations, and the appointment of
  resident Australian Ambassadors in recent years, the bilateral
  relationship has matured and strengthened.
- The creation of Australia's first Saint Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop – in October 2010 was an historic occasion for Australia
- The canonisation highlighted the contribution Mary MacKillop's order, the Sisters of St Joseph, has made to the betterment of Australian society, particularly the disadvantaged, and Australian indigenous communities.
- Australia and the Holy See will continue to work constructively on matters of global importance, and key priority areas for Pope Francis' Pontificate, including human rights, political and religious freedom, inter-faith dialogue, food security, arms control.
- I note that His Holiness Pope Francis has singled out the fight against human trafficking as a high priority for his Pontificate.

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- I understand Mr Andrew Forrest's Walk Free Foundation is working with the Pontifical Academies to eradicate modern slavery through an inter-faith initiative "The Global Freedom Network" [the Foundation and Pontifical Academies signed a Memorandum of Agreement to this effect on 6 February].
- I also understand Mr Steve Howard of Australia's Global
  Foundation is working with the Holy See Secretariat of State to
  promote good global governance [the Foundation has been
  invited to contribute to a Holy See conference in July to
  address key social and economic themes of importance to
  Pope Francis].

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

# **Biography**

Archbishop Dominique MAMBERTI Secretary for Relations with States (Foreign Minister), Holy See

Form of Address: Your Excellency

Pronunciation: Mam-ber-ti English Ability: Proficient



# Current

2006-to date: Secretary for Relations with States (Foreign Minister equivalent)

#### Former

- 2004-2006: Apolstolic Nuncio (Ambassador) to Eritrea
- 2002-2004: Appointed Apostolic Nuncio to Sudan/Apostolic Delegate to Somalia
- 2002: Ordained Archbishop
- 1986: Joined the Vatican Diplomatic Service
- 1981: Ordained as Priest of Ajaccio, Corsica

# Other

 Mamberti is a strong supporter of the Vatican's commitment to multilateral diplomacy. He worked for several years on the UN desk at the Vatican's Secretariat of State and has addressed a range of UN meetings on a number of occasions since his appointment as Secretary for Relations with States.

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# 5. WORKING DINNER HOSTED BY HIS EXCELLENCY MR JOHN MCCARTHY KCSG, AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE HOLY SEE

Date Saturday, 26 April 2014

Time 19.30 – 21:00

Location Ambassador's residence

# **Attending**

- You will be accompanied by Mrs Pyne, Ms Paul and Ms Jackson.
- Ambassador and Christine McCarthy will host.
- Senator the Hon John Hogg, President of the Senate, Senator Hogg's adviser and Mrs Carolyn Hogg will also attend.
- Other attendees include:
  - Ambassador McCarthy's Deputy,

and his spouse

- Chargé d'Affaires, Australian Embassy to Italy and spouse 1;
- First Secretary and Consul, Australian Embassy to Italy;
- , Second Secretary, Australian Embassy to Italy;
- Second Secretary, Australian Embassy to Italy;
- (visits/protocol) and
   (visits/protocol), Australian Embassy to the Holy See;
- , Transport Officer, Australian Embassy to Italy; and
- .... Protocol Officer, Australian Embassy to Italy.
- Biographies for Ambassador McCarthy and Senator Hogg are at Attachment A.

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Purpose of meeting and desired outcomes

- Ambassador McCarthy and staff of the Holy See Embassy together with Chargé d'Affaires and staff of the Rome Embassy will provide an overview of the visit programme and detailed briefing on the canonisations ceremonies, including running order and transport arrangements.
- You are representing the Prime Minister / Australian Government and Senator Hogg is representing the Parliament of Australia at the canonisation ceremonies.

# **Previous dealings**

You have not met Ambassador McCarthy previously.

#### Sensitivities

Nil

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

# **Biographies**

Mr John Anthony Gerard McCarthy KCSG\* QC Australian Ambassador to the Holy See



Full biography included in Canonisations Background briefing

#### Current

 Took up his appointment in September 2012, replacing the Hon Tim Fischer AC, who served as Australia's first resident Ambassador to the Holy See.

# Former

- Mr McCarthy was a senior lawyer and member of the Australian Bar. Head of Wentworth Chambers in Sydney.
- Mr McCarthy was Pro Chancellor, Sydney University from 2005 to 2009. He was appointed an Honorary Fellow at University of Sydney in 2012.
- He graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1968 and Bachelor of Laws in 1971 (he shared the Jurisprudence Prize).
   In 1974, he was awarded a post-graduate scholarship to the University of Virginia and graduated Master of Laws in 1975.

# Other

 \* In 2006, Mr McCarthy was appointed Knight Commander of the Order of St Gregory the Great (KCSG) by the Holy See for services to the Catholic Church in Australia.

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Senator the Hon John Hogg President of the Senate Senator for Queensland (ALP)



# Current

- President of the Senate from 26 August 2008.
- Elected to the Senate for Queensland (ALP), 1996 (term began 1.7.1996), 2001 and 2007.
- On 10 August 2012, Senator Hogg said that he would be retiring from politics at the end of his term. He did not contest the 2013 federal election.
- Senator Hogg will remain a Senator and Senate President until the new Senate composition takes effect from 1 July 2014.

# Former

- Senator Hogg was an official with the Shop,
   Distributive and Allied Employees Association (SDA) from 1976 to 1996.
- He has also taught at both primary and secondary schools.

# Other

 Senator Hogg has a Bachelor of Science from University of Queensland and a Diploma in Primary Teaching from Queensland University of Technology, Kedron Park Teachers College.

**EVENT BRIEF 6 Canonisation Ceremonies** 

# **CANONISATION CEREMONIES OF POPE JOHN XXIII &** POPE JOHN PAUL II

Purpose

You will represent the Prime Minister at the canonisations of two Popes - Blessed John XXIII (who was Pope from 1958 to 1963; he opened the Second Vatican Council) and Blessed John Paul II (Pope from 1978 to 2005).

John Paul was the second-longest serving Pope in history (after 19th Century Pope Pius IX) and one of the most influential leaders of the 20th Century. The canonisation of Popes in modern times is unusual, the most recent being Pope Saint Pius X in 1954.

Of the two Popes to be canonised this year, Pope John Paul II has the strongest connection with Australia and Australians, and with Australia's first Saint, St Mary of the Cross (Mary MacKillop). He was one of only three Popes to visit Australia, and he visited twice; in 1986, and 1995 - when he formally commenced the canonisation process for Mary MacKillop.

Senator John Hogg, President of the Senate, is representing the Australian Parliament at the Canonisation ceremonies.

Date

Sunday, 27 April 2014

Time

10:00 (Official parties are to be seated by 09:15)

Location

St Peter's Square, Vatican

Minister

09:15 TBC

arrival time

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Minister

departure time

TBC

Arrangements

A detailed run sheet for the canonisation

ceremonies will be provided by the Australian Embassy to the Holy See at the working dinner on

Saturday 26 April.

Visit contact

VIPs and audience attending

His Holiness Pope Francis

Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Holy See Secretary of State

(Prime Minister)

Archbishop Dominique Mamberti, Secretary for

Relations with States (Foreign Minister)

VIP biographies are included in Holy See /

Canonisations Background briefing.

**Talking points** 

Generic talking points are included in Canonisations

Background briefing.

Sensitivities

Nil

References

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