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Greetings of jubilation from the Caritas family in Asia!

In the name of our 25 Caritas Member Organizations in Asia, I am very honored to extend to you our heartfelt congratulations and felicitations on the occasion of your 70th Anniversary! It gives us great joy and honor to celebrate with you the 70 long years of your dedicated service to our brothers and sisters in Hong Kong, as well as to the peoples of Asia and beyond! Caritas Asia is very proud to be part of your 70 years of continued growth and development that generated significant milestones and remarkable successes. We are with you in commemorating with pride the 70 years of unwavering service to the People of God and the Church.

Your 70th Anniversary comes at a time when much of the world has just emerged from the devastating effects of the COVID-19 pandemic – at a time, when we are all rising up again from the gloom and the despondency that the pandemic has wrought upon us. Hence, the commemoration of your anniversary is not just an occasion for celebrating the many years of dedicated service, but also a time of renewed hope and new beginning. It is a moment that marks your triumph over the pandemic and inspires all of us to be ever more determined and resolute in responding to the cries of our People and cries of the Earth, as we all navigate the new normal towards shaping our common future.

On this anniversary, I encourage you to continue the great task of journeying with and for the people, while remaining steadfast in your principles amid potentially difficult challenges in the political, social, economic, or environmental landscape in Hong Kong. May the lessons and the experiences you gained in dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as all the other crises that have gone your way, be a source of strength and determination to stay connected to the realities of the people and the situations in which your actions are shaped.

Your longstanding dedication to witnessing the Gospel through your laudable works for our brothers and sisters in Hong Kong are your real crowning achievements that will light the way towards your next 70 years. And as you chart a course towards the succeeding years of your journey with the people, may the words of the Holy Father Pope Francis inspire you all the more to continue being a “home” to those who are in need, when he said, “the home represents the most precious human treasures, that of encounter, that of relations among people, different in age, culture and history, but who live together, and together help one another to grow... because it is a place in which every person learns to receive love and to give love”.

Congratulations on your 70th Anniversary! We look forward to the broadening and strengthening of our fraternal cooperation in the next 70 years, especially in our meaningful engagement in the Synodal process!

May God bless us all.