



CONGREGATIO
DE INSTITUTIONE CATHOLICA
(DE SEMINARIIS ATQUE STUDIORUM INSTITUTIS)

Rome, 3 December 2010

PROT. N. 1370/2003
(*His numerus in responsione referatur*)

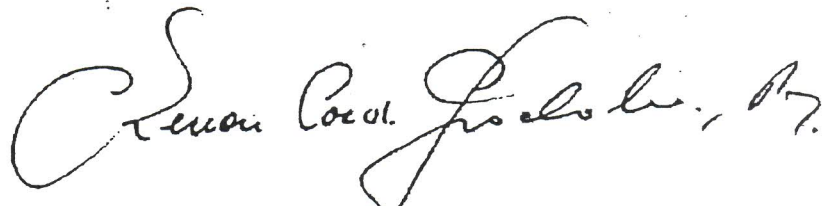
Your Excellency,

On 6 October 2010, the former President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, His Eminence Francis E. Cardinal GEORGE, graciously visited these offices to discuss, among other matters, the *American Program of Priestly Formation*. During the meeting, the Cardinal delivered to the Congregation a letter, dated 5 October 2010 (with attachment, dated 21 July 2010) which recalled that "the *Program of Priestly Formation* (5th edition) received a *recognitio ad quinquennium* from the Congregation for Catholic Education by a decree of November 15, 2005 [Prot. N. 1370/2003]." The letter went on to request a "renewal of the *recognitio* for the current text, without modifications, for another five year period."

This Dicastery is pleased to grant the aforementioned petition, and, with this letter, hereby approves *ad alterum quinquennium* the fifth edition of the *Program of Priestly Formation*.

Taking the opportunity to express to Your Excellency our sentiments of highest personal esteem, we remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,


+ *Pauline Burger of, Sg.*

His Excellency
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