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**GOODWILL MESSAGE TO THE CONFERENCE OF THE  
CATHOLIC UNION OF THE AFRICAN PRESS (UCAP  
HOLDING AT THE SCHOENSTATT RETREAT CENTRE IN  
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA FROM SEPTEMBER 9-13,  
2018**

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**THEME: USING THE MEDIA FOR THE PROMOTION OF  
INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA**

I am very honoured to send you this goodwill message. But it is with mixed feelings that I write this message of goodwill to this Conference of the Catholic Union of the Press (UCAP) holding at the Schoenstatt Retreat Centre in Cape Town, South Africa at this period. Much as it is my duty and desire to join you at this conference another urgent pull of duty has necessitated that I be elsewhere, hence I send this message.

As President of the Episcopal Committee for Social Communications for Africa CEPACS and on behalf of the Symposium of Episcopal Conferences of Africa and Madagascar (SECAM), I congratulate you all and especially the President of UCAP, Mr. George Sunguh and his organizing team, for their tenacious work to realize this event. Right from my first meeting with Mr. Sunguh in 2015 at the beginning of my tenure he has shown a remarkable sense of the mission of the Church in Communications and demonstrated his desire to make a difference with UCAP on the continent and beyond. I thank him and all those who collaborated with him to bring this about.

I think that the theme of this Conference gives UCAP a “ringside seat” in the current concern of the pastoral work of the Universal Church. Integral Development of the human being enjoys considerable