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## The Holy Father's condolences for the victims of the tornado in Alabama

The following is the telegram of condolences for the victims of the tornado in recent days in Alabama, United States of America, sent on behalf of the Holy Father Francis by Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin to the archbishop of Mobile, H.E. Msgr. Thomas John Rodi:

## **Telegram**

The Most Reverend Thomas J. Rodi Archbishop of Mobile

Deeply saddened to learn of the tragic loss of life and the injuries caused by the tornado which struck Alabama in recent days, His Holiness Pope Francis expresses heartfelt solidarity with all affected by this natural disaster. He prays that Almighty God may grant eternal rest to the dead, especially the children, and healing and consolation to the injured and those who grieve. Upon all who are suffering the effects of this calamity, the Holy Father invokes the Lord's blessings of peace and strength.

Cardinal Pietro Parolin Secretary of State