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The Holy Father Francis has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the archdiocese of Santiago de Chile, Chile, presented by His Eminence Cardinal Ricardo Ezzati Andrello, S.D.B.

The Pope has appointed as apostolic administrator "sede vacante et ad nutum Sanctae Sedis" of the archdiocese of Santiago de Chile, Chile, H.E. Msgr. Celestino Aós Braco, O.F.M. Cap., currently bishop of Copiapó, Chile.

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H.E. Msgr. Celestino Aós Braco, O.F.M. Cap., was born in Artaiz, archdiocese of Pamplona, Spain, on 6 April 1945. He carried out his philosophical studies in Zaragoza and his theological studies in Pamplona. He obtained a licentiate in psychology from the University of Barcelona, Spain. He gave his temporal religious vows as a Franciscan Capuchin on 15 August 1964 in Sangüesa and his perpetual profession on 16 September 1967 in Pamplona. He was ordained a priest in Pamplona on 30 March 1968.

As a priest he subsequently held the following roles: in Spain, professor in Lecaroz-Navarra, vicar in Tudela, professor in Pamplona and vicar in Zaragoza. In 1983 he was sent to Chile, where he served as parish vicar in

the parish of Longavi, superior of the Community in Los Ángeles, parish priest of the parish of *San Miguel* in Viña del Mar, superior of the Community of Recreo, episcopal vicar for consecrated life for the diocese of Valparaiso, and since 2008, parish vicar of the parish of *San Francisco de Asís* in Los Ángeles, diocese of Santa María de Los Ángeles.

H.E. Msgr. Aós Braco was also provincial bursar for the Capuchins in Chile, promoter of justice of the ecclesiastical tribunal of Valparaiso, judge of the tribunal of the archdiocese of Concepción and treasurer of the Chilean association of canon law.

He was appointed as bishop of Copiapó on 25 July 2014, and received episcopal ordination on the following 18 October.

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The Pope has appointed His Eminence Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin as his legate at the celebrations for the enthronement of King Rama X of Thailand, His Majesty Maha Vajiralongkorn, to be held in Bangkok from 4 to 6 May 2019.