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## Resignations and Appointments

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Appointment of Members of the Congregation for the Clergy

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The Holy Father Francis has erected the ecclesiastical province of Florencia, Colombia, elevating to a Metropolitan Church the diocese of Florencia and assigning as suffragans the dioceses of Mocoa-Sibundoy and San Vicente del Caguán.

The Pope appointed as metropolitan archbishop of Florencia, Colombia, H.E. Msgr. Omar de Jesús Mejía Giraldo, currently bishop of Florencia.

#### **H. E. Msgr. Omar de Jesús Mejía Giraldo**

H. E. Msgr. Omar de Jesús Mejía Giraldo was born in El Santuario, diocese of Sonsón-Rionegro, on 21 January 1966. He carried out his studies in philosophy and theology in the *Cristo Sacerdote* National Major Seminary in La Ceja. He obtained a licentiate in philosophy and religious sciences at the *Universidad Católica de Oriente* of Rionegro and a licentiate in dogmatic theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University of Rome.

He was ordained a priest on 16 November 1991, for the clergy of the diocese of Sonsón-Rionegro.

As a priest he has held the following offices: formator in the *Nuestra Señora* diocesan seminary, diocesan delegate for youth and vocational pastoral care, parish vicar in the parish of *Nuestra Señora del Carmen* in El Carmen de Viboral, director of the Department for Pastoral Care of the *Universidad Católica de Oriente* of Rionegro, parish vicar of the parish of *Madre de la Sabiduría*, and vice rector of the *Cristo Sacerdote* National

Seminary in La Ceja.

On 27 April 2013 he was elected as bishop of Florencia and received episcopal consecration the following 29 June.

#### Appointment of Members of the Congregation for the Clergy

The Holy Father has appointed as Members of the Congregation for the Clergy the Eminent Cardinals: **Sérgio da Rocha**, archbishop of Brasília, Brazil; **Anders Arborelius, O.C.D.**, bishop of Stockholm, Sweden; **Giuseppe Petrocchi**, archbishop of L'Aquila, Italy; and **Baltazar Enrique Porras Cardozo**, apostolic administrator *sede vacante et ad nutum Sanctae Sedis* of Caracas and archbishop of Mérida, Venezuela; Archbishop **Filippo Iannone, O.Carm.**, president of the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts; Bishop **Milton Luis Tróccoli Cebedio** of Maldonado-Punta del Este, Uruguay; Archbishop **Michel Aupetit** of Paris, France; Bishop **Robert Francis Prevost, O.S.A.**, of Chiclayo, Peru; Archbishop **Juan de la Caridad García Rodríguez** of San Cristóbal de La Habana, Cuba.

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