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**TO THE PROVINCIAL SUPERIORS
THE REGIONAL SUPERIORS
AND THE DELEGATES OF THE HOUSES**
directly dependent
on the General Government

Their addresses

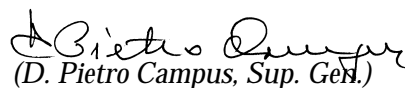
Dear Brothers,

With the present **Letter of Convocation**, in accordance with articles 213 and 213.1 of the Constitutions and Directory, I am communicating to you the following:

1. The 8th General Chapter of the Society of St Paul will begin on Tuesday 20 April 2004, and will take place in the Divine Master House in Ariccia (Rome). It is scheduled to close on the following 20 May.
2. Members of the Chapter are those as set out in articles 215, 215.1, 215.2, 215.3 and 215.4 (Enclosure n° 1).
3. For the election of the Provincial Delegates and of their respective Substitutes, the procedure will be to follow articles 195.3 and 196.5, in the new text changed by the 5th General Chapter (cf Enclosure n° 2). – For the Regions art. 182.3 is to be followed.
4. It is for the competent Superior to convene the Provincial (or corresponding) Chapter in due course for the election of the aforesaid Delegates. Their names must reach the General Government before, but no later than, 29 February 2004.
5. As regards the elections in the Houses directly dependent on the General Government, the norm set out in art. 215.3 is to be followed. – Thus the Communities of the General House (Rome), Divine Master House (Ariccia), Don Alberione House (Albano Laziale) and the Community of the Vatican, together with those persons directly dependent on the General Government and not being part of another community, will form a single group, which will send 2 (two) Delegates to the Chapter.
6. The Chapter's official language will be Italian, but Capitulars may intervene in their mother tongue. A simultaneous translation will be available in Italian, English and Spanish.

While I invite all members to pray personally and as a community for the Chapter's happy outcome, I would suggest the following prayer text (Enclosure n° 3). Together we shall invoke Christ the Master and Communicator, through the mediation of Mary, Queen of Apostles, that in view of our Mission there may be a growth process in each one of us, and in our relationship with God and with the community.

My greetings to all of you.


(D. Pietro Campus, Sup. Gen.)

N.B. The competent Superiors are to see to it that the text of the present Letter is to be displayed in every community of their circumscription.