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To all Participants to the CAP-ESW “Pauline Seminar on Editorial Guidelines”

Dear Brothers

participants of the “Pauline Seminar on Editorial Guidelines”

Grace and peace!

A fraternal greeting to everyone and a heartfelt thanks for your presence at this international Seminar on the apostolate, which takes place under the coordination of the General Councillors Father Jose Pottayil and Brother Darlei Zanon. As you know, the main objective of this meeting is to reflect on the “Editorial Guidelines. Identity, content and interlocutors of the Pauline apostolate” and to seek together strategies for its applications in the pastoral and apostolic contexts of the CAP-ESW.

Let us recall that the Editorial Lines have been updated in light of the 2nd International Seminar of the Pauline Publishers, held in Ariccia in October 2017, and becomes a guide for the apostolate of the entire Congregation. Your Circumscriptions are now called to put them into practice.

I wish you a fruitful meeting in which you can join forces – and thus strengthen collaboration – in order to face, with audacity and creativity, the challenges of our mission in the current culture of communication, in a special way as regards the digital environment that is causing profound impacts on the way of communicating, learning, informing, working and, consequently, in the same publishing reality.

May this Seminar be also profitable to strengthen the identity as “Pauline Publishers”, that is, the identity of “apostle communicators and consecrated persons” called by Christ to live the Gospel and spread it, in the spirit of the Apostle Paul, in the complex communication reality of today. A mission that calls us to be true men

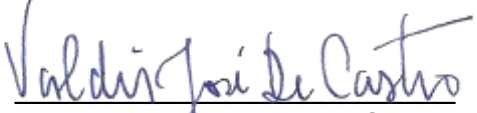
of communication, who make communication a “lifestyle”, who create relationships as an indispensable requirement to bring to the people the content of our apostolate.

I conclude with special thanks to Father Jose Aripio and our confreres of the Philippines-Macau Province for the reception and human and material support they provide for the realization of this Seminar.

Mary, Queen of the Apostles, accompany you and help you live in joy the Pauline vocation sustained by the “Pact” – the most suitable prayer we have received as a heritage from our Founder one hundred years ago – and which expresses all our trust in the Lord.

Fraternally,




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