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To: **Kateřina Doleželová, Tomáš Flégr, Adam Hnida, Jiřina Kočí, Petra Panská, Jan Rozek, Irena Žáková**

Dear Mr. Koubek,

On my return to Prague a few days ago, I received the letter sent by you and others (names above), dated 13.01.2025 (*I guess you intended to write: 13.01.2026*). I already saw the letter in the news before I received it from you.

In your letter, among other things, you accused the Holy Father the Pope of not replying to your letter of last year. If you remember very well, last year, together with a few other persons, you came to this Apostolic Nunciature and directly handed over to me a letter dated 28 February 2025, with a long list of signatories, and also a copied book, to send to the Holy Father Pope Francis.

I did as you requested: I sent everything to His Holiness the Pope. By then, he was in the hospital, and he later died. I am sure you remember the chronology of events.

Meanwhile, his close aides acted promptly on your principal requests, and as I write you, they are still gradually and attentively putting into place the structures which will assist in the safeguarding of minors and vulnerable persons, especially in the Czech Republic. I hope that your Association will cooperate with the Czech Episcopal Conference in this regard. The other similar associations are already actively working hard.

As the Representative of the Holy Father in the Czech Republic, may I kindly inform you that your recent attack towards Pope Francis was uncalled for. He deserves every respect, especially considering that your letter reached him in his dying moments.

Secondly, the Holy Father has the autonomy to reply to issues the way he deems fit and opportune.

With best wishes, I remain

Yours sincerely,



Archbishop Jude Thaddeus OKOLO

Apostolic Nuncio