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Your Excellency,

On 28 December 2011 this Dicastery received the petition of the Rev. Carmen SITA, a priest of the Archdiocese of Newark, requesting from the Holy Father the grace of dispensation from all the obligations of priesthood, including celibacy.

This Congregation, after having carefully examined the documents of the present case, decided on 12 September 2012 to forward the petition to the Holy Father for his decision. Subsequently, on 24 September 2012, Pope Benedict XVI granted the Rev. Carmen Sita the grace of dispensation iuxta petita, from all priestly obligations, including celibacy.

Enclosed you will find two copies of the relevant Decree. Your Excellency is kindly requested to ensure that the priest is duly notified thereof. I would ask you also to return one of the signed copies of the Decree to this Office.

With prayerful support and every best wish, I remain

Yours devotedly in the Lord,

Luis F. LADARIA, S.J.

Titular Archbishop of Thibica

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-Enclosures-

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