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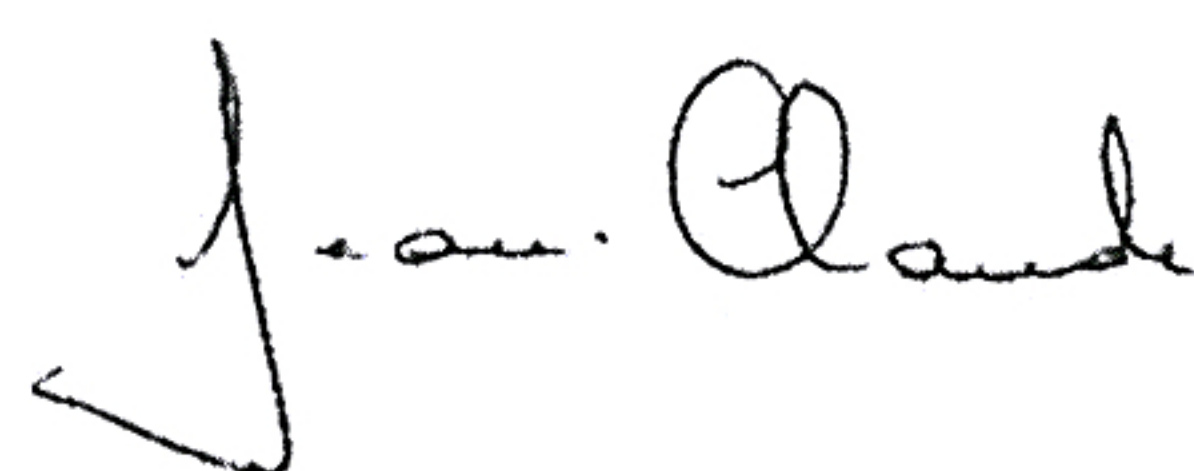
It is with deep regret and profound sadness that I heard the news about the sudden and unexpected passing of the former Nuncio to the European Union, Archbishop Alain Lebeaupin.

I shall always remember his outstanding professional experience and his most valuable counsel. Msgr Lebeaupin wasn't only a loyal servant to the Holy See and to the successor of St Peter, but also a humble and true disciple of Christ. His unshakable faith, joviality and authentic humaneness shall be greatly missed.

Please allow me to offer my most sincere condolences to the family and friends of Archbishop Lebeaupin.

*Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word.*

May he rest in peace.

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