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Dear Latins,

Firstly, I would like to wish you all a Happy Easter with your loved ones!

I would also like to update you regarding my recent meetings as follows:

a) Meeting between the Cyprus Parliament's Education & Cultural Committee and the Cultural & Educational Committee of the European Parliament: As a member of the Educational Committee I attended the joint meeting to hear about the role of the equivalent committee of the European Parliament. I also had the opportunity to present our Latin Community especially its contribution to education and to the cultural history of Cyprus to the visiting Committee's delegation.

b) Meeting with His Excellency Pierbattista Pizzaballa, the Apostolic Administrator of the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem: I had the honour to meet His Excellency during his recent visit to Cyprus and to discuss working with the Apostolic Nunciature to resolve some of the issues that concern the Catholic Church in Cyprus.

c) Meeting with the President of the House of Representatives: We discussed ideas on how to support my role as Representative including, amongst others, joining a parliamentary think tank which may be created, as well as working on a possible new publication about the roles of Representatives of Religious Groups in Parliament.

d) Visit to Archangel Michael Hospice in Paphos: I recently visited the Hospice and was informed about its operations and needs. Its excellent facilities offers palliative and respite care to those in need regardless of nationality, race or the nature of their illness. The Hospice was established and operates with the support of the Catholic Church in Paphos as well as that of many volunteers and it relies on donations for its operation. For anyone interested to know more, please contact the Manager mona@archangel-michael-hospice.com, Tel 99-494140 or visit the webpage: <http://archangel-michael-hospice.com>

e) Other meetings: I also met with the Ambassadors of Slovakia and Greece (introductory meetings with each Ambassador to present the Latin Community) and with the Presidential Commissioner, Mr Photiou, for general discussion on several issues which concern the Latin Community.

With my best regards,