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It is with great sadness that the Synod of Bishops of the Old Catholic Confederation must announce the sudden death of our new beloved Patron, His Grace, The Most Rev. Dr. S. Tilewa Johnson, Primate and Archbishop of the Church of the Province of West Africa (Anglican Communion), who just recently made an official proclamation recognizing the Confederation as a "distinct Old Catholic Christian community" in partnership with the Anglican Communion.

His Grace, The Most Rev. Dr. Craig J. N. de Paulo, Primate and Archbishop of the United States, extends his heartfelt condolences on behalf of the Synod of Bishops of the Old Catholic Confederation to Archbishop Johnson's beloved wife and their children, offering the assurance of our prayers for the repose of the soul of the Archbishop and for consolation during this time of grief for their family and for the Anglican Church of West Africa. Speaking of Archbishop Tilewa Johnson, Archbishop de Paulo said "He was a robust man of great humor and personality with profound moral character and vision for the Church." *Requiescat in pace.*

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