

## **CATHOLIC SECRETARIAT**

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Sean Callahan, President and CEO, Catholic Relief Services, Baltimore, **USA**.

Dear Sean,

## RE: OUR SOLIDARITY WITH CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRS)

Tanzania Episcopal Conference and the Catholic Church in Tanzania together with Tanzanian Society congratulate CRS as you celebrate 75 years of your service in the World. This anniversary is a great period of witness and commitment of CRS for the humanity.

Tanzania Episcopal Conference has been working with CRS since 1962. CRS supported different dioceses, organizations and individuals in need for social and community transformation.

Your interventions strengthened the presence of the Catholic Church towards national Socio-Economic development. CRS is in the minds of Tanzanians for its support in several sectors, namely: Health, Agriculture, and Microfinance, Emergency, Pastoral and humanitarian aid for refugees and currently for the WASH projects.

The principles of Catholic Subdiarity and Solidarity enabled the collaboration between Tanzanian Catholic Church and CRS to realize planned development programmes. We thank the CRS for keeping the Catholic Spirit as we serve the poor and needy people.

We also extend our gratitude to the people of the United States of America for their generosity.

Celebration of your 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary is a clear sign of the importance of CRS in the society. TEC promises its commitment for the collaboration as it has embarked on system strengthening of Catholic Institutions for their efficiency.

Sincerely yours,

+Gervas John Mwasikwabhila Nyaisonga

PRESIDENT OF TANZANIA EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE

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