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Dear Rev. Fathers and My Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

Greetings from Rome!!

These days we hear about the OKHI tragedy that affected our country especially the coasts of Kerala and Tamil Nadu. Many of our brethren lost their lives, many are missing, very many lost their houses and means of livelihood. We can only imagine the pain of those who lost their dear ones. This is the time for us to show our solidarity with our suffering brothers and sisters through prayer and charitable activities. It will be a good gesture if we can extend our helping hands to those families. That will help us express our thankfulness to God for His abundant blessings upon us.

You might have already made collections in this regard. If not please do it on the coming Sunday. It is my wish that we contribute for the said cause together from all our Holy Qurbana centres in Europe to the Eparchy of Thukkalay.

Requesting your considerate co-operation and wishing you all a Happy Christmas and a Very Bright 2018,

+Stephen Chirappanath

Titular Bishop of Slebte

Apostolic Visitation

for the Syro Malabar Faithful in Europe