

ADDRESS OF PAUL VI TO THE FIRST AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA TO THE HOLY SEE*

Thursday, 16 June 1966

Mister Ambassador,

We thank you for your kind words, and We are happy to welcome you once again, this time in your new quality as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Indonesia to the Holy See.

In the two and a half years since Your Excellency presented Credential Letters as Minister, We have had occasion to admire your tactful and delicate fulfilment of your high duties. We are confident that, by your higher rank, the already cordial relations existing between your great Nation and this Apostolic See will become stronger, closer and ever more friendly.

Hence We renew Our welcome to Your Excellency, and assure you of Our best wishes for the success of your mission and of Our fullest cooperation and continued benevolence. We request your good offices to convey to the President and Government of the Republic, and to all the beloved people of Indonesia, Our respectful greetings; upon all, We gladly invoke richest heavenly blessings.

**AAS* 58 (1966), p.512.

Insegnamenti di Paolo VI, vol. IV, p.293.

L' Osservatore Romano 17.6.1966, p.1.

L'Attività della Santa Sede 1966, p.387.

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