## Holy See-China: provisional agreement on appointment of Bishops extended for another two years

"Upon the expiration of the Provisional Agreement between the Holy See and the People's Republic of China regarding the appointment of Bishops, which was signed in Beijing on 22 September 2018 and took effect one month later, the two Parties have agreed to extend the experimental implementation phase of the Provisional Agreement for another two years". This is according to a communiqué issued by the Holy See Press Office today on the extension of the agreement signed two years ago. "The Holy See considers the initial application of the Agreement – which is of great ecclesial and pastoral value – to have been positive, thanks to good communication and cooperation between the Parties on the matters agreed upon, and intends to pursue an open and constructive dialogue for the benefit of the life of the Catholic Church and the good of Chinese people", the statement reads.

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