



APOSTOLIC NUNCIATURE

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Dear Father Inpanathan,

On the occasion of my last visit to Oslo you gave me a written appeal to the Holy Father regarding the plight of the civil population caught up in the war in the Northern Region of Sri Lanka.

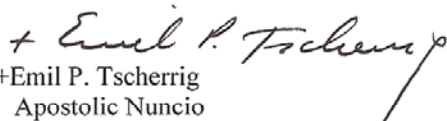
As requested I have forwarded your request to Rome for an intervention by the Holy Father in favor of the civil population.

From the few press clippings which I attach to the present letter for your information you will see that the Holy Father and the Holy See are closely following the tragedy in your homeland and have invited the combatants repeatedly to show respect for humanitarian law and for the people's freedom of movement.

I pray with you and the Tamil Catholics in Norway that the Lord may put an end to this terrible suffering and re-establish peace and mutual respect between the various nationalities and religions in Sri Lanka.

In solidarity and prayer with you and your fellow Catholics, I send you fraternal regards and I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,


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