



DICASTERIUM  
DE CULTURA ET EDUCATIONE

**DECREE**

THE DICASTERY OF CULTURE AND EDUCATION to the Rev. Master of the Order of Preachers, Grand Chancellor of the Pontifical University of Saint Thomas in the city of Manila, who legitimately presents [the petition]: In view of the favourable opinion of His Excellency the Archbishop of Port Moresby and the Conference of Bishops of Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands and in accordance with art. 11 of the *Instruction on the Affiliation of Institutes of Higher Studies* coming from the same Congregation on the 8th December in the year of our Lord 2020, having considered the matter from every perspective and taken counsel with the stakeholders, in accordance with art. 63 § I of the Apostolic Constitution *Veritatis Gaudium* as well as art. 10 § 1 of the aforementioned *Instruction on the Affiliation of Institutes of Superior Studies*, the Dicastery by this Decree establishes canonically

**THE THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE**  
**known as “Catholic Theological Institute”**  
located in the town called “Bomana”

and in accordance with art. 10 § 2 of the above-mentioned *Instruction* grants to the Institute public juridical personality, and at the same time affiliates and declares affiliated the same Institute to the

**FACULTY OF THEOLOGY**  
**OF THE PONTIFICAL UNIVERSITY OF SAINT THOMAS**  
located in the city of Manila

*for five years by way of experiment*, starting from the first cycle to obtain the academic degree of the Baccalaureate of Theology through the affiliating Faculty, placed under the guidance and supervision of the same Faculty; observing the particular statutes approved by this Congregation, and observing the rest of the law, anything whatever to the contrary notwithstanding.

Given at Rome, from the offices of the same Dicastery, on the 12th of December in the year of our Lord 2022, on the feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Guadalupe.

*José Tolentino Card. de Melo*

PREFECT

*Jaimes César Pizarri*

SECRETARY