

Press Release

UPDATE ON THE ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW

18 October 2019 – Ottawa – During the recent Plenary Assembly of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) held in Cornwall, Ontario, the Executive Committees of the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace-*Caritas Canada* (CCODP) and the CCCB received a presentation by Deloitte on the firm's final report regarding its organizational diagnostic (review) of CCODP-*Caritas Canada*.

As indicated in the update published on <u>9 September 2019</u>, the presentation of the report and its recommendations to the Executive Committees of both organizations on 24 September 2019. Following said presentation, the Bishops, in Plenary, received, discussed and accepted the report and its recommendations. They have now decided to enter a period of reflection, which will include discussions and consultations with local CCODP members in their dioceses/eparchies. In view of a final decision, both organizations require sufficient time to discern the report's results and recommendations, and to contemplate a plan of action to be implemented.

The CCODP National Council will also review the report's results and recommendations, as well as receive the decision and expectations of the CCCB for the plan of action and its implementation.

Once these important steps of consultation, feedback and discussion are completed, a meeting between the CCODP and CCCB will then follow at a time to be determined. This meeting will then result in the communication of how the CCODP and CCCB will move forward with the plan of action to implement the recommendations of the organizational review.

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