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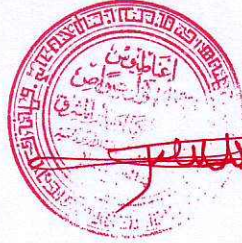
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BY THE GRACE OF GOD

Ignatius Zakka I Iwas
Patriarch of Antioch and All the East
Supreme Head of the Universal Syrian Orthodox Church

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Apostolic benediction to our beloved Metropolitan: His Eminence Mor Theethose Yeldho - our Patriarchal Vicar and to our beloved spiritual children: the Reverend Clergy and faithful of our Malankara Archdiocese of the Syriac Orthodox Church in North America.

Dearly beloved, we would hereby inform you the following. According to our previous bull No.E76/10, dated, 18th-April-2010, we had informed you that, further details concerning the proposed division of the Archdiocese would be informed to you after the Annual Holy Synod here. Now the Holy Synod held from 15th to 17th September-2010 at our Mor Ignatius Patriarchal Centre, Ma'arat Seydnaya, Damascus, has decided that, our Malankara Archdiocese of the Syriac Orthodox Church in North America shall continue as one Archdiocese with His Eminence Mor Theethose Yeldho as its Archbishop, Patriarchal Vicar. We advise you all to work together with His Eminence the Archbishop for the unity, stability and progress of our Malankara Archdiocese in North America as an effective witnessing community in that great land. We keep you all in our prayers and extend our Apostolic Blessings to you. May the grace of God be with you all. **ܐܘܨܝܘܢܐ ܕܩܘܪܝܢܘܨܐ ܕܩܝܡܬܐ ܕܩܝܡܬܐ ܕܩܝܡܬܐ**