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**To regional superiors for distribution to all the confreres of the province**

I am writing following message in response to the recent call by Pope Francis to all European parishes to receive a refugee family.

This call draws us all towards taking a stance of solidarity.

Many of us are already engaged in this field of activity for a long time now.

Many initiatives have been taking place throughout the years in the parishes entrusted to the Society of Mary and also as part of activities in the educational institutions of the European Marist Education Network.

All of us are called to continue our efforts and to be creative in our response to the current crisis.

If we can do something, then let us do it in collaboration with organizations or professional associations, NGOs, Caritas and other such organisations.

While being very aware of the urgency of the current situation, we do not forget that the crisis could last ...

Finally I invite you to share stories, testimonies and photos / videos of initiatives in which you may be involved. European Marist Solidarity Blog will echo these efforts:  
<http://www.maristeuropesolidarity.eu/>

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