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Good morning, dearest brothers and dearest sisters,
I am Fr. Nguyen, Franciscan Conventual of Vietnam, the new Secretary General of the Pontifical Missionary Union. In 2022 the Pontifical Missionary Union celebrates the 150th anniversary of the birth of Blessed Father Paolo Manna, founder of this society. It is an opportunity for all of us to rediscover and relive his charism, which is the zeal for the missionary formation, animation and awareness of all local Churches, at the service of the Holy Father's mission and of the universal Church. In 2022, for and with the national and diocesan directors, we will intensify the various initiatives for missionary formation and animation such as courses, study seminars, webinars, conferences, preaching, biblical-missionary meditations, etc. all over the world and for everyone, priests, religious men and women, lay men and women.

Saint Pope Paul VI called this Missionary Union "the soul of the other Pontifical Mission Societies", because the success of the other Societies largely depends on the vitality of the Pontifical Missionary Union.

I will try then to do my best to carry out our common work of missionary formation and animation of the universal and local Churches, always with enthusiasm, creativity, and in a spirit of communion and collaboration with all.

Together we can do a lot of good things to promote and better support the missionary activities of the universal and local Churches, following the motto of Blessed Paolo Manna for the PMU: "All the Churches for the whole world."

Pray for us and we pray for you.

Thank you very much

Father Anh Nhue Nguyen