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Dear Reverend Fathers,

Re: Volunteers for the Fight against Covid-19 with Crisis Relief Services & Training (CREST)

With the number of newly-confirmed COVID-19 cases on the rise in Malaysia, particularly in the Klang Valley, I have received an invitation from Crisis Relief Services & Training (CREST) to join in the battle against the pandemic by helping to provide institutionalised care to category 1 and category 2 COVID positive patients.

CREST is a faith-based NGO / NPO registered in Malaysia since 1998 which mainly focuses on disaster response with a history of serving for 21 years in 20 different countries. In the current trying times of the country, CREST is working towards setting up a quarantine centre [Pusat Kuarantin dan Rawatan COVID-19 Berisiko Rendah (PKRCS)] for B40 families or the underprivileged who have contracted the virus, in order for them to have safe and conducive environment to recover. Below are the objectives and purpose of this project:

- 1. To help de-congest the government hospitals in the Klang Valley by providing a Covid category 1 and 2 low-risk quarantine center
- 2. To provide a quarantine center which is equipped to accommodate the B40 and underprivileged families.

This is purely a charitable effort and patients will not be charged for any expenses as we aim to cater for the poor, the needy and those assigned by Covid Assessment Centre.

Our support as an Archdiocese will be supporting CREST to engage as many people as possible and to prepare volunteers based on set requirements. I have appointed ASAYO as coordinating ministry for this initiative. The faithful of the Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur may express their interest and questions to ASAYO. ASAYO will be in contact with CREST and will provide regular updates on the development of the project. ASAYO is not involved in the management of the project but merely responding to the request by CREST for recruitment of volunteers. Interested volunteers please refer to the attached details.

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I sincerely pray that we can actively come together to support CREST in their endeavour especially for those who need care and support during this time of the pandemic.

Yours affectionately,

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