

Madrid, 24th September 2008

To: Heads of National Jurisdictions Grand Magistral Council Cc: Spiritual Protector

Your Excellencies

In my first letter to you, since being elected and installed as Grand Master of this ancient and wonderful Order, I wish to thank every member for the honour you have granted me. The duty and responsibilities you have entrusted with me I shall carry out to the best of my ability at all times.

I also wish to honour and thank His Royal Highness, the Duke of Seville for his great service to the Order as Grand Master, especially his long insistence that as long as we are separated we must seek the paths of reconciliation and reunification. Therefore, for he and I, joined by the Spiritual Protector, to be able to witness the signing of the Agreement of Reunification at the Installation Service was a great joy and privilege for us all.

I received many invitations from different jurisdictions which I have had to decline, as you will understand, until I have taken my time to settle down and have a better knowledge of the Order. Nevertheless I promise to visit as many of you as possible in due course.

To end, I send my greetings to every member of the newly reunited Order, with a reminder that we serve others in Faith, Hope, and Charity.

Atavis et Armis

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