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**Summary of the General Assembly of Apostolat Militaire International held in Vught, The Netherlands, September 18-23, 2016.**

**Agenda miscellaneous topics of interest of AMI**

**1. Election of the new ecclesiastical assistant**

Monday September 19, just before our former Ecclesiastical Assistant H.E. Bishop Werner Freistetter gave us a lecture about: Laudato Si and its implications in armed conflicts, the question is: Do we need an update of Gaudium et Spes; “Just war is possible”, the General Assembly elected his successor Father Patrick Dolan of the USA.

AMI members, who were present in Vught, voted unanimously, by open ballot, for the new Ecclesiastical Assistant. And they wished Father Dolan success and God’s blessing.

AMI members present in Vught, The Netherlands:

Austria	Germany
Croatia	Netherlands
Kenya	Slovenia
Spain	USA
Belgium	Italy
Great Britain	

AMI members not present in Vught, The Netherlands:

France	Ghana
Portugal	Celam
Nigeria came to late to vote	Colombia

## **2. Financial Report 2015**

Our treasurer Herman Vriesema gave us a full report of our financial situation 2014 – 2015. As usual his presentation was also a humoristic one, as we know Herman is very good at it.

## **3. Discharge of the treasurer and of the AMI Secretary General**

The General Assembly discharged the treasurer and the secretary general unanimously by open ballot.

## **4. Election of a new auditing committee**

This year we had to change one of the members of the auditing committee. GenMay Norbert Sinn thanked Lt Col Andreas Preuss for the excellent work he did in the last years by controlling the financial matters of AMI. The successor of LtCol Preuss is 1Ltnt Erik VOZÁR from Slovakia.

## **5. Date and topics of the AMI Conference 2017 in Rome**

Date and topics will be discussed with the Italian Military Bishop in November in Rome.

## **6. Closing address by the President of AMI**

The closing address of our President you will find on our conference DVD.

General major Norbert Sinn, AMI president

Nelleke Swinkels – van de Vorst, AMI Secretary General

WO II (ret) Herman Vriesema, AMI treasurer

Father Patrick Dolan, Ecclesiastical Assistant AMI