



# The Holy See

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APOSTOLIC PILGRIMAGE  
OF HIS HOLINESS PAUL VI  
TO WEST ASIA, OCEANIA AND AUSTRALIA

## WELCOME CEREMONY

### *ADDRESS OF THE HOLY FATHER PAUL VI*

*Airport of Pago-Pago, West Samoa  
Monday, 30 November 1970*

*Your Excellency ,*

We thank you for your welcome. We are certain that, thanks to your courtesy, this visit will proceed happily, allowing us to meet the peoples of this region.

We very much appreciate your words of wisdom. We are aware of your efforts in the cause of development; in this you are a witness to that spirit of solidarity which moves the more prosperous nations to share with those who are in need so that, in equity, all may attain that human fulfilment to which everyone aspires.

May God bless you and your colleagues.

May he bless your great nation.