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# **Prelate asks for testimonies regarding Dora del Hoyo's Cause of Canonization**

On October 11, 2011, Bishop Javier Echevarría made public a document calling for those who knew the first numerary assistant in Opus Dei to make known any information relevant to opening her Cause of Canonization.

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Bishop Javier Echevarría Rodríguez,  
Prelate, to all the faithful of the  
Prelature of the Holy Cross and Opus  
Dei

Immediately after the death of Dora del Hoyo, on January 10, 2004, clear signs began to appear of the strong and widespread reputation for holiness enjoyed by the first numerary assistant in Opus Dei. Since that date I have received hundreds of written and signed accounts sent spontaneously by faithful of the Prelature who lived with Dora and by other persons who knew her. These amply attest to her exemplary Christian life.

Because of these testimonies, we feel compelled to continue the investigation. After having taken the steps foreseen by the current norms, I have concluded that conditions are present to introduce the Cause of

canonization for Salvadora del Hoyo Alonso (Dora).

Therefore, I invite all the faithful of the Prelature of the Holy Cross and Opus Dei to consider whether they have anything useful to report concerning this Cause, both favorable and unfavorable to it, as well as anything she may have written or documents that refer to her person and deeds, and that they make them known with full freedom, so as to enable the investigation to go forward to a final result that will make the truth completely clear.

Rome, October 11, 2011

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Msgr. Ernst Burkhart, Chancellor of  
the prelatric Curia

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