



## LEGIONARIES OF CHRIST

### **Update from the Legionaries of Christ on the Retirement and Medical Charitable Trust (RMCT)**

**Rome, November 23, 2023.** The Congregation of the Legionaries of Christ updates the [information published in 2021](#) related to the Pandora Papers and the Retirement and Medical Charitable Trust (RMCT) that the Legion had in New Zealand.

1. As is publicly known, the Legion of Christ established the RMCT in New Zealand in 2010 with the intention of receiving donations to be used for specific expenses and projects of the Congregation, specifically the health care of priests and consecrated persons, especially the elderly or for other religious, charitable and educational purposes.
2. Following numbers 225 and 226 of the Constitutions of the Legionaries of Christ, on the principles of administration of the Congregation's assets, in 2022 the General Directorate commissioned a review of the RMCT to three external auditors .
3. The reviewers studied the constituent elements of the RMCT, its adherence to the law, the contributions and aid received, as well as its distribution to establish whether said figure was an instrument of fundraising and of "safe and efficient administration" according to the Constitutions of the Legion.
4. The three auditors agreed that nothing incorrect was found in the constitution and operation of the Trust. However, they considered that, due to the complexity of its operation, the Trust no longer seemed necessary given that donations can be received directly through other already existing channels in the administrative structure of the Congregation.
5. With this information, in 2023, the general director requested that the Trust be closed, following the processes determined by New Zealand law, and all closure processes have been completed.

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