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**MASSONERIA UNIVERSALE DI RITO SCOZZESE ANTICO E ACCETTATO
OBEDIENZA DI PIAZZA DEL GESU PALAZZO VITELLESCHI
SEDENTE IN ROMA**

Ref: Charitable donation from Grand Lodge of Italy of Free and Accepted Masons

Dear Ms Ryan,

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Antonio Paoletti, I have the honour and privilege to represent the Grand Master of the Masonic Obedience of Grand Lodge of Italy, Piazza del Gesu', Palazzo Vitelleschi, Rome, Mr Luciano Romoli, here in the United Kingdom.

We are the principle Masonic Obedience established in Italy at the beginning of the 19th century and have two lodges operating in the United Kingdom, specifically London.

Gran Lodge of Italy has been at the forefront of the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic engulfing Italy, and the whole world, with several charitable activities, culminating in, but not limited to, a donation of 100.000.00 Euros to the Italian Red Cross.

Our two lodges of Gran Lodge of Italy, working in London, with a mixed membership of Italian, British, and other nationalities', men and women, have decided to devolve the sum of 1,100.00 GBP to the NHS UK Royal Free Charity. We are humbled and grateful to NHS staff who are on the frontline fighting this terrible scourge, affecting the whole world. Please do pass our gratitude to your staff and colleagues.

I hope this small effort from our membership, of men and women of many different nationalities including Italian and British, does help to some extent in the challenge we are all facing. On behalf of our Gran Master, Mr Luciano Romoli, I take this opportunity to thank NHS staff and many other key workers for their efforts in keeping the UK alive and working in these very tough times.

With my very best wishes,
Antonio Paoletti

(Magistral Delegate and on behalf of the Grand Master of the Gran Lodge of Italy of Free and Accepted Masons, Obedience of Piazza del Gesu', Palazzo Vitelleschi, Rome)