

DECREE

Considering the Decree of recognition of the *Union Internationale des Guides et Scouts d'Europe – Fédération du Scoutisme Européen* as an international private association of the faithful, equipped with the juridical personality, and the approbation “ad experimentum” for five years of its Statutes, given on August 26th 2003 (Prot. N. 1130/03/AIC-15a);

Considering the letter dated January 12th 2008, transmitted by Mr. Giovanni Franchi de' Cavalieri, as Federal Chairman of the *Union Internationale des Guides et Scouts d'Europe – Fédération du Scoutisme Européen*, asking for the definitive approval of the Statutes by the Pontifical Council for the Laity;

Noticing the development acquired by the Union since its recognition, adding itself to the precious contribution brought by the educational method of scouting enlightened by Catholic faith for the formation of the new generations of young people;

Considering the possibility of approving definitely the Statutes of the *Union Internationale des Guides et Scouts d'Europe – Fédération du Scoutisme Européen*, having no modifications to insert into the text;

Considering the items 131-134 of the Apostolic Constitution *Pastor Bonus* on the Roman Curia, and the canon 313, § 1, 1^o of the Code of Canon Law, the Pontifical Council for the Laity decrees:

1^o) the confirmation of the recognition of the *Union Internationale des Guides et Scouts d'Europe – Fédération du Scoutisme Européen* as an international private association of the faithful, equipped with the juridical personality, according to the canons 298-311 and 321-329 of the Code of Canon Law.

2^o) The definitive approval of the Statutes of the *Union Internationale des Guides et Scouts d'Europe – Fédération du Scoutisme Européen*.

Given at the Vatican, on August twenty-six two thousand eight, on the feast day of the Blessed Virgin of Jasna Góra.

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Secretary

Stanisław Card. Ryłko
Chairman