Baku, 7th February 2023

To the Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Republic of Turkey to Azerbaijan,

Mr. Jahit Bakhji

Your Excellency, Mr. Ambassador!

The news of the numerous losses among the people and large-scale destruction caused by the earthquake that occurred on the night of February 6 in the southern regions of Turkey has deeply saddened me.

On behalf of the Catholics of Azerbaijan and on my own behalf I express my sincere condolences to the entire Turkish people, especially to the families of the victims.

I prayerfully wish all the wounded a fast recovery.

May the Almighty God grant help and consolation to Turkey in these difficult days.

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Apostolic Prefect of the Catholic Church in Azerbaijan,

Bishop Vladimir Fekete