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To His Worship the Mayor of Carcaci,

Catania, the 18th May 1851

Sir,

By order of His Excellency The Minister The Secretary of State for Justice, I have received a most valuable ministerial decree of the 5th of this month of May as follows -Sir - "My correspondence has given me occasion to notice that in general the Officials of the Registry Office are not complying exactly with the ordinance to the Officials of the Registry Office relating to extracts in respect of the death of persons who are not resident in the Communes in which they expire, including, as the Law requires, an exact record of the honorific qualifications and the honourable titles to which the deceased had come to be entitled during the course of his life and, regrettably, such omissions relate particularly to those Honours legitimately acquired in respect of The Chivalrous and Family Order of The Collar of Saint Agatha of The Most Serene House of Paternò in the person of The Regent Grand Master The Most Excellent Cavaliere Don Giovanni Paternò Castello of the Dukes of Carcaci, Prince of Emmanuel "jure maritali". This Order has been officially recognised in the Royal Domains beyond the Sea and as has also been laid down in Article 85 of The Civil Laws. Since this aforementioned omission may be the cause of inconvenience in that branch of The Registry Office in general and in respect of the documents of the Families of the deceased in particular, I am obliged to bring it to the attention of Their Worships so that they may give appropriate instructions to the Officials of The Registry Office of their respective Province, whereby they may observe punctiliously the compliance with such an obligation as is imposed on them by the Law.

Recipients will kindly acknowledge receipt of this document."

I bring this to the attention of Their Worships so that they may observe the most exact execution of what has been ordered.

From the Magistrate being The Attorney General of The King

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