

Il Gran Maestro

MW Grand Masters
Masonic Grand Lodges in the World

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MW Grand Masters Dear Brethren,

You will remember, my "appeal", sent to your attention last March, 2017, about some drastic events that are happening in Italy, targeting Freemasonry, in particular Grande Oriente d'Italia.

Last year, the Italian parliamentary Commission on criminal organizations in Italy and organized crime of the Mafia type, ordered to the main Masonic organization in our Country, to consign the lists of the Brethren affiliated with the Lodges in two Italian regions. Then, the Commission issued a search warrant, causing the requisition of our servers, some hard disks, and many documents filed in our archives – all referring the life and activity of our Institution, as a whole, not only the two investigated regions.

Now, one year later, Italian Freemasonry is still under attack.

The two main political parties which won the last political elections – held in March, 2018 – have signed a "Government Treaty", including an "Anti-Masonic" clause – clearly unconstitutional.

Today, I addressed an appeal to the President of the Italian Republic, aiming to underline the illegitimacy of that clause.

On Wednesday, May 23, at 11.00 am, I will meet the representatives of foreign press in Rome, for a press conference; at 6.00 pm, tMr Marco Di Lello, MP, Secretary of the parliamentary Commission, will be hosted at our seat "Il Vascello", to discuss about this critical situation.

Your support in this crucial moment will be very much appreciated: it will strengthen our position.

MW Brethren, like I wrote in my first appeal, last year, in such times of populisms and dangerous anti-democratic involutions - as we can see on international media - this attack could not remain an isolated fact, but extend to other Countries, also with solid democratic roots.

I am expecting your support: let us embrace in the Chain of Union to proclaim our values and our principles, and reaffirm that the Free Masons, from ever, work to improve themselves, for the improvement of Humanity.

To The Glory Of The Grand Architect Of The Universe.

Stefano Bisi

