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REGION 7 DIRECTOR End of Year report 2020.

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Hello Red Knights,

What can we say or add to talk about this year 2020?

We have never seen and heard as little as we have seen in the 11 years that I joined the Red Knights.

Of course, we develop virtual meetings nevertheless, the warmth of our contacts, sharing the pleasure of having a drink together, telling each other our lives live I miss, and I am already looking forward to this page that is turning.

Our Club brings together an impressive number of motivated, warm, and enthusiastic people.

We have a code of conduct and we share values.

This creates harmony and sometimes tension. *Like any group of women and men who are passionate about their profession and motorcycling, certain frictions may arise, and it is to the resolution of these tensions that we can see the ability of our corporation to share one of our fundamental values that is brotherhood.*

A second flagship value, particularly for those who serve as an officer (chapter, association, region, or International Board), is exemplarity.

Exemplarity is not easy to always follow because man is imperfect. It is also the imperfection of man that gives its full dimension to this value.

We must always keep in mind that fraternity is shared and cultivated. It is often difficult to forgive and yet, forgiving a brother is a great act of love.

Our doors must be kept open for our brothers and sisters even though (even more) we have had disagreements and tensions. Never turn our backs, as the motto "Jamais Arriere (Never Back)" must be inked in us.

This difficult year must show us that behind every death there is a birth; For each departure, there is an arrival; for every failure, there is a success.

Life is too short, you must enjoy it and, as with an apple, bite it to the full.

Since 2011, four years as President of the European Association and six years as Regional Director, I have been trying to show the best exemplarity and the greatest fraternity with each of you.

These ten years of service to our club have brought me extraordinary joy and deep sadness but what motivated me the most, throughout this period, is your pride in being a member of the Red Knights, it is the sharing of emotions, it is your commitment within the community.

I thank you for the trust you have placed in me, for your friendship, for our shared laughter.

We were lucky enough to see seven new chapters open this year, England 4 (July 2020), France 8 (July 2020), Poland 1 (July 2020), Germany 26 (March 2020), Germany 27 (June 2020), Germany 28 (October 2020) and Germany 29 (December 2020). We also saw several MAL join us.

We were also exceptionally fortunate to be able to carry out the EuCon Rally 2020, even though we were deeply saddened by the sadness of not being able to hold the 2020 International Convention.

The year 2021 promises to be rich in meetings: there are of course the postponed organizations but also the new programming.

I look forward to seeing you in England, Belgium, Germany, France, Denmark, Italy, why not Poland, Slovenia, Croatia, Austria, Ireland, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland or Wales, Luxembourg, or Spain (in Canada for the International Convention of Saint John).

No matter where, it is the people we meet that matter.

I will conclude this report with an emotional thought for our members who are now at Heaven 1 and for all those who have disappeared this year.

I wish you an incredibly happy New Year 2021.

Fraternally

Pierre Halleux

Regional Director Region 7

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