

Vatican Excommunicates Major Pope Critic For 'Schism'

The Vatican has excommunicated Archbishop Carlo Maria Vigano, one of Pope Francis's most virulent critics, after judging him guilty of splitting the Church, the dicastery in charge of doctrine said Friday.

The 83-year-old ultra conservative, who has called in the past for Francis to resign as pope, has been on trial since last month after being accused by the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith of the crime of schism, or splitting the Catholic Church.

"His public statements manifesting his refusal to recognise and submit to the Supreme Pontiff, his rejection of communion with the members of the Church subject to him, and of the legitimacy and magisterial authority of the Second Vatican Council are well known," wrote the dicastery in a statement.

"At the conclusion of the penal process, the Most Reverend Carlo Maria Vigano was found guilty of the reserved delict of schism," it wrote, adding that his punishment was "excommunication" in accordance with canon law.

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