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## Rode speaks on Vatican Radio

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Cardinal Franc Rodé, who is conducting an apostolic visitation of U.S. women religious communities, spoke about the visitation on Vatican Radio Nov. 4, Catholic News Service reported.

He told Vatican Radio Nov. 4 that some media presented the visitation "as if it were an act of mistrust of American female religious congregations or as if it were a global criticism of their work. It is not,"

In the radio interview, Rodé said the investigation was a response to concerns, including by "an important representative of the U.S. church" regarding "some irregularities or omissions in American religious life. Most of all, you could say, it involves a certain secular mentality that has spread in these religious families and, perhaps, also a certain 'feminist' spirit."

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