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## Holy See Press Office Communiqué: Audience with the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan

This morning, in the Vatican Apostolic Palace, the Holy Father Francis received in audience, the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, His Excellency Mr. Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, who subsequently met with His Excellency Archbishop Paul Richard Gallagher, Secretary for Relations with States and International Organizations.

During the cordial meetings in the Secretariat of State, appreciation was expressed for the good relations between the Holy See and Kazakhstan, with particular reference to mutual collaboration in the sphere of interreligious dialogue, and hopes were expressed for an increasingly active role on the part of believers in the life of the Nation, to promote the common good.

Regional and international themes were then discussed, with special attention to conflicts and humanitarian issues, noting the importance of the urgent commitment to the promotion of peace and for stability in the world.

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