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

Today the Holy Father Francis received in audience Her Excellency Ms. Zuzana Čaputová, President of the Slovak Republic, who subsequently met with His Eminence Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin, accompanied by the Reverend Msgr. Mirosław Wachowski, Under-Secretary for Relations with States.

During the cordial talks, which took place at the Secretariat of State, the parties discussed the country's prospects in the light of the sad event of the assassination attempt on the Prime Minister, the imminent change of presidency, and the approaching European elections, expressing the hope that concord and peace in the country may be strengthened.

As the conversation proceeded, particular attention was dedicated to the war in Ukraine.

From the Vatican, 1 June 2024