

## Meeting Obama's man in the Vatican on a big day for the boss

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### Interview with U.S. Ambassador to the Holy See Miguel Diaz

*Though neither of us realized it at the time, new U.S. Ambassador to the Holy See Miguel Diaz and I met on a propitious day for Diaz's boss, President Barack Obama. A little over two hours after our interview ended, news broke that Obama had been awarded the Noble Peace Prize. One of the first global institutions to issue its congratulations was the Vatican, which expressed "appreciation" for the choice and encouraged what it described as Obama's commitment to "peace in the international arena," especially nuclear disarmament.*

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