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Cardinal George congratulates Obama on Nobel

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WASHINGTON -- Cardinal Francis E. George of Chicago, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, congratulated U.S. President Barack Obama on receiving the Nobel Peace Prize Oct. 9.

"As he has graciously said, much of the work of realizing a more peaceful and just world for all persons and nations remains to be done; but the prize was given because, as president of the United States, he has already changed the international conversation," Cardinal George said in a statement released by the USCCB Oct. 12.

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"In our own country, the remarkable and historic achievement of his election has changed the relationships between men and women of all races," the cardinal said.

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"The rich diversity of United States society is now more surely anchored in a national unity that is better able to foster the peace we all are challenged to pursue. Our prayer is that almighty God will bless the president and his family," he added.

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