



**Intervention by H.E. Archbishop Ivan Jurkovič,
Apostolic Nuncio, Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations and
Other International Organizations in Geneva
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“Situation in Nicaragua”
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Mr. President,

The Holy See has been following with great attention the socio-political situation in Nicaragua and believes that the unsettled disputes should be solved as soon as possible, always respecting fundamental human rights and the principles enshrined in the Constitution of the country.

In order to facilitate social harmony in the Country and to build a foundation for a stable future of peace and prosperity, the Holy See recommends that the different political and social stakeholders, with a renewed spirit of responsibility and reconciliation, find together a solution that respects the truth, reestablishes justice and promotes the common good.

The Holy See strongly believes that it is essential to implement the agreements reached last March, to return immediately to open and mutually respectful negotiations and to realize, at the earliest, the electoral reforms for the holding of free and transparent elections with the presence of international observers.

Thank you, Mr. President.