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TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC,
MEXICO AND THE BAHAMAS

**MEETING WITH THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS
ACCREDITED TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

ADDRESS OF HIS HOLINESS JOHN PAUL II*

Thursday, 25 January 1979

*Your Excellencies,
Ladies and Gentlemen,*

I would not like this short visit of mine to this country to pass without this meeting with you, who, for many varied reasons, are due a token of special attention on the part of the Pope.

You have wished to come to render your homage of respect and support as representatives of your respective countries, as wielders of authority at different levels in the Dominican nation, as persons bound to the Holy See by special ties, or as exponents of the cultural world

I express my sincere gratitude to you all for your benevolent presence; as well as my deep appreciation of your respective functions. I wish you all success in your tasks, which can, and must, have a clear orientation of service for the common good, for the cause of human society, for the welfare of civil society and, for many, also of the Church. Many thanks.

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