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

This morning in the Vatican Apostolic Palace, the Holy Father received in audience the President of the Republic of Chile, H.E. Mr. Sebastián Piñera Echenique, who subsequently met with His Eminence Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin, accompanied by His Excellency Msgr. Paul Richard Gallagher, Secretary for Relations with States.

During the cordial discussions, satisfaction was expressed for the existing good relations between the Holy See and Chile. The Parties then went on to consider the situation of the country, with particular reference to the defence of life and the painful scourge of abuse of minors, reiterating the effort of all in collaboration to combat and prevent the perpetration of such crimes and their concealment.

Attention then turned to matters of common interest at international and regional level, with special reference to the reception of migrants.