

Pope calls for solution to Iran nuclear crisis

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BOI - Pope Benedict has called for an "honourable solution" to the nuclear crisis with Iran in his first Easter message.

He made his appeal for world peace in his Easter "Urbi et Orbi" message to nearly 100,000 people St Peter's Square in Rome.

The Pope, who marks the first anniversary of his election on Wednesday, used his speech to draw attention to the problems facing the world, particularly in Africa, the Middle East and Latin America.

In a clear reference to Iran, he said: "Concerning the international crises linked to nuclear power, may an honourable solution be found for all parties, through serious and honest negotiations."

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