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Nobel Peace Prize: José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission, congratulates Liu Xiaobo

"I would like to convey my congratulations to Liu Xiaobo for being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize 2010.

The decision of the Nobel Peace Prize Committee is a strong message of support to all those around the world who, sometimes with great personal sacrifice, are struggling for freedom and human rights.

These values are at the core of the European Union and the decision of the Nobel Peace Prize Committee highlighted their importance all over the world."