

## Patriarchal Exarch of Southeast Asia meets with Ambassador of Singapore to Russia



On 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020, Metropolitan Sergy of Singapore and Southeast Asia, Patriarchal Exarch of Southeast Asia, visited the Embassy of Singapore in Moscow, where he met with H.E. Mr. Premjith Sadasivan, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Singapore to the Russian Federation.

Taking part in the meeting were also Bishop Pitirim of Jakarta, vicar of the Singapore diocese; Mr. Seah Seow Chen, deputy chief of the Singaporean diplomatic mission; and Mr. Dmitry Petrovsky, staff member of the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations.

Metropolitan Sergy and Mr. Sadasivan exchanged opinions on the development of the Russia-Singapore relations in the humanitarian sphere, emphasizing the importance of construction of the Russian cultural centre and a Russian Orthodox church in Singapore. "Devoting attention to the implementation of this project are the heads of our two countries – Russian President Vladimir Putin and Singapore's Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong," the Ambassador of Singapore noted.

Mr. Sadasivan congratulated Bishop Pitirim on his episcopal consecration and wished him success in his service in Asia.

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