Patriarch Kirill arrives in Baku

November 14, 2019 – His Holiness Kirill, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, has begun his visit to Azerbaijan.

At Heydar Aliyev Airport, the Primate of the Russian Orthodox Church was met by Archbishop Alexander of Baku and Azerbaijan, Russian ambassador to Azerbaijan M. Bocharnikov, Azerbaijan's ambassador to Russia Polad Bulbuloglu, and Azerbaijan's first deputy Prime Minister Shahin Mustafayev.

The Russian Orthodox Church delegation accompanying His Holiness include Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Moscow Patriarchate department for external church relations (DECR), Bishop Foma of Pavlov-Posad, head of the Moscow Patriarchate administrative secretariat, V. Legoida, head of the synodal department for the Church's relations with society and mass media, Archimandrite Philaret (Bulekov), DECR vice-chairman, and Archpriest Andrey Bondarenko, head of the patriarchal protocol service.

From the airport, Patriarch Kirill proceeded to the Congress Center in downtown Baku to attend the Second Baku Summit of World Religious Leaders.

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