

## Metropolitan Hilarion meets with newly appointed Russian ambassador to Serbia



On June 10, 2019, Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Moscow Patriarchate department for external church relations (DECR), received the Russian Federation Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary A. A. Botsan-Kharchenko, who is preparing to leave for his new duty station in Belgrade.

They were joined in their talk by A. Khoshev, DECR secretariat for inter-Orthodox relations.

During the talk, which was held in a warm atmosphere, the sides discussed the importance of interchurch contacts for developing the bilateral relations between Russia and Serbia, promising projects for cooperation between the Russian and Serbian Orthodox Churches and other topics of mutual concern.

In conclusion of the meeting, Metropolitan Hilarion wished the Russian diplomat successful work and presented him with a token of the meeting.

