



## Delegation of Greek Orthodox Church visits Moscow



In connection with the 26<sup>th</sup> annual Travel and Tourism Exhibition, MITT-2019, a delegation from Greece led by Archimandrite Spyridon (Katramados), secretary of the Synodal Office of the Greek Orthodox Church, visited Moscow.

In the evening of March 13, Wednesday of the first week of Lent, the guests prayed at the Novospassky Patriarchal Monastery during the Great Compline and the Reading of the Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete, which was led by His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia.

Archimandrite Spyridon conveyed to His Holiness best regards from the Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church, His Beatitude Ieronymos, Archbishop of Athens and All Greece, and expressed gratitude for the opportunity to visit the Russian capital city.

Addressing words of greeting to the pilgrims from Greece, the Primate of the Russian Orthodox Church stressed, 'We are brothers – brothers in faith. We belong to One Orthodox Church. And may the Lord preserve the Orthodox Church in unity and our peoples in the faith and devotion'.

Taking part in the meeting were also Christos Petreas, staff member for pilgrimage, Synodal department

of the Greek Orthodox Church; Polykarpos Efstathiou, head of Russia Tourism Office in Moscow; and Hierodeacon Gregory (Sokolov), DECR secretariat for inter-Orthodox relations.

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