

## Patriarch Kirill's letter of condolences over the loss of lives as a result of wildfires in California

His Holiness Kirill, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, has expressed condolences to President of the United States of America over the loss of lives in the fires in California. According to the latest reports, the number of victims has increased to 76.

**His Excellency Donald Trump** 

President

**United States of America** 

Your Excellency

Dear Mr. President:

I would like to express my sincere condolences to you and to all the American people over the continued wildfires in California. As a result of a natural disaster, many people have died and suffered. Thousands of people have been missing and become homeless while the infrastructure and economy of the state have been greatly damaged.

I feel sympathy for all those who have been affected by this misfortune. Kindly convey my words of compassion and support to the relatives and loved ones of those who died and become victims.

May the Merciful Lord give consolation to those who are bereaved helping them to survive this trial and may He give strength to those who are selflessly working to save people and to overcome the consequences of the raging wildfire.

With condolences,

+ Kirill

## Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia

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