



## **Metropolitan Hilarion congratulates DECR veteran Yelena Speranskaya on her jubilee**



On 28 February 2018, the 70<sup>th</sup> birthday of Ms. Yelena Speranskaya, DECR consultant, lecturer of Ss. Cyril and Methodius Theological Institute of Postgraduate Studies and of the Moscow Theological Academy, was celebrated at the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations.

The DECR chairman, Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, greeted Ms. Speranskaya and thanked her for many years of her work at the Department for External Church Relations, saying in particular:

“Dear Yelena Sergeyevna, you came to the Department long before I did. You are the DECR veteran. Together at numerous occasions and on various platforms we defended the interests of our Church. I am very glad that you continue to work both at the DECR and at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Theological Institute, that you share your knowledge with the young generation of our staff members. It is my wish that the Lord give you spiritual and bodily strength so that you may enjoy life and serve our Holy Church for many years to come.”

