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## **His Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople expresses condolences over Vorkuta mine tragedy**

*On 29 February 2016, the Primate of the Orthodox Church of Constantinople sent his condolences to His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia over the tragic death of the miners in Vorkuta. The text in translation is given below.*

Expressing to Your beloved Beatitude condolences on behalf of the Mother Church and our fraternal compassion over the tragic accident at the coal mine in Russia.

We pray together with you for the rest of the victims in the land of the living and for the soonest recovery of the injured. Also, we beseech the Lord to safeguard Russia and its noble people from such catastrophes.

Fraternally in the Lord,

**+ Patriarch Bartholomew**

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