

## DECR chairman meets with Slovenian ambassador to Russia



On June 16, 2015, Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Moscow Patriarchate department for external church relations (DECR), met with Slovenia's ambassador to Russia, H. E. Primož Šeligo, at the DECR.

Participating in the meeting were also Archpriest Sergiy Zvonarev, DECR secretary for the far abroad, and Hierodeacon Roman (Kiselev) of the DECR secretariat for the far abroad. In attendance from the Slovenian side was also Ms. Andreja Banutai, Slovenian embassy first secretary.

Metropolitan Hilarion welcomed the guest to the synodal department responsible for foreign contacts of the Russian Orthodox Church. The talk concerned preparations for the annual memorial ceremony at the Vršič Pass to take place in late June to mark the 99<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation of the Russian Chapel of the Holy Prince Vladimir Equal-to-the-Apostles, which was erected in memory of the Russian soldiers who died in the area during World War I.

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