



Metropolitan Hilarion's condolences to Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China over the tragedy in Kunshan

The chairman of the Department for Moscow Patriarchate's department for external church relations, Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, has sent to the Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, Mr. Li Keqiang, the following message of condolences over the tragedy which has resulted from an explosion at a factory in the city of Kunshan:

Your Excellency,

I have been grieved to learn about the explosion at a factory in Kunshan which has resulted in numerous victims. I deeply sympathize with all the people of China, especially those who have been personally affected by the tragedy.

I am confident that the Government of the People's Republic of China will not leave the victims without care and attention. I hope that the consequences of the disaster will be soon overcome.

I am mentally with those who are in hospitals in these hours and pray for the consolation of all those who have lost their relatives and friends.

With heartfelt condolences,

Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk

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