



## **DECR chairman meets with British Ambassador to Russia**



On 10 April 2014, Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, chairman of the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations (DECR), met with H.E. Tim Earle Barrow, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United Kingdom to the Russian Federation. They were joined in the meeting by Ms Helen Watson, first secretary of the Embassy, archimandrite Philaret (Bulekov), DECR vice-chairman, and deacon Feodor Shulga, a staff member of the DECR secretariat for inter-Orthodox relations.

Topical issues pertaining to cooperation were discussed. Metropolitan Hilarion told the guests about the stand of the Holy Synod of the Russian Orthodox Church on the situation in Ukraine and also about the current state of dialogue with the Church of England.