



## **Chairman of the Department for External Church Relations receives Latvia's ambassador Ms Astre Kurme**



On April 3, 2014, Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Department for External Church Relations, received Latvia's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Ms. Astre Kurme, at her request.

Ms Kurme conveyed a letter from Latvia's President Andris Berzins to His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia.

In attendance were Archpriest Nikolay Balashov, a vice-chairman of the Department for External Church Relations, and Ms. Olga Mazur, DECR secretariat for far-abroad countries.

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