Patriarch Kirill receives a delegation of the Patriarchate of Constantinople

On May 25, 2013, His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia met with Bishop Cyril of Avida and Archimandrite Panaretos (Psarevtis), abbot of the Monastery of the Holy Trinity in Crete (Orthodox Church of Constantinople) at his residence in Christy Pereulok.

Participating in the meeting were Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Moscow Patriarchate's department for external church relations, Archpriest Nikolay Balashov, DECR vice-chairman, Archpriest Igor Yakimchuk, DECR secretary for inter-Orthodox relations, and A. Churyakov, DECR staff member.

Patriarch Kirill warmly welcomed the guests, saying 'I would like to thank you for your participation in the celebrations and to convey my brotherly love to His Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople'.

'A good tradition has been established in our relations – to exchange delegations on name-days, and we should continue it, thus strengthening relations between our two Churches and countries', he said.

His Holiness conveyed to the Primate of the Orthodox Church of Constantinople a fraternal message and a gift.

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