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Enthronement celebrations begin in Damascus

On 10 February 2013 in Damascus, there took place the enthronement of His Beatitude John X, Patriarch of the Great Antioch and All the East, elected to the Patriarchal See of the Orthodox Church of Antioch on 17 December 2012.

In his enthronement speech delivered after the Divine service in the Church of the Holy Cross in Damascus, His Beatitude Patriarch John X stated *inter alia*: We are certain that Syria will find a way to salvation through dialogue and a peaceful political solution. He said he will work for peace and pray for unity.

Celebrations will continue in Beirut on February 17. Invited to attend are delegations of the Local Orthodox Churches.

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