Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk meets with Chief Rabbi of Moscow Pinchas Goldschmidt as acting president of Conference of European Rabbis

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On April 8, Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Moscow Patriarchate's department for external church relations, met with Chief Rabbi of Moscow Pinchas Goldschmidt in his capacity of acting president of the Conference of European Rabbis. Participating in the meeting were also Rev. Sergiy Zvonarev, DECR acting secretary for the far-abroad countries, and V. Kipshidze, DECR staff member.

They discussed prospects for cooperation between the Department for External Church Relations and the Conference of European Rabbis. The need was pointed out to elaborate a common position on the presence of religious tradition in the life of modern society.

Metropolitan Hilarion and Rabbi Goldschmidt stated the high level of relations between the Orthodox and Jews in Russia and expressed the intention to present together the Russian experience of interreligious relations in European forums.

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