



## **DECR vice-chairman meets with Egyptian ambassador to Russia**

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Archpriest Nikolay Balashov, vice-chairman of the Department for External Church Relations, met with the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the Russian Federation, H. E. Alaa al-Hadidi.

They discussed relations between the Egyptian and Russian people and the importance of religious factor in Russian-Egyptian relations. They also dealt with preparations for an official visit of His Holiness Patriarch Kirill to the Patriarchate of Alexandria planned for April 2010.

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