Metropolitan Hilarion administers monastic vows

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Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, chairman of the Moscow Patriarchate's department for external church relations, officiated at the Holy Monday Matins at the church of Our Lady the Joy to All the Afflicted in Moscow, on February 28, 2010.

After the service, Metropolitan Hilarion administered the monastic vows to Igor Kopeikin, assistant to the DECR chairman, under the name of Ioann in memory of St. John the Theologian.

His Eminence gave the newly-tonsured monk Ioann an icon of Our Lady the Joy to All the Afflicted.

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