

## Metropolitan Hilarion resents absence of a cathedral at the Ukrainian Orthodox Church diocese of Lvov

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Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Moscow Patriarchate's department for external church relations, after a talk with the papal nuncio in Ukraine, Archbishop John Yurkovich, on 22 March 2010 in Lvov, visited St. George's Cathedral. Until the 20 century 90s it was the cathedral of the Russian Orthodox Church's diocese of Lvov. Now it belongs to the Greek Catholics.

Then Metropolitan Hilarion accompanied by Archbishop Augustine of Lvov and Galicia and his delegation paid a visit to the Lvov administration to meet with its chairman N. Kmit. During their talk, the DECR chairman expressed indignation at the absence of a cathedral at the Ukrainian Orthodox Church's diocese of Lvov. His Eminence described as 'outrageous' the situation where the faithful of a canonical Church for many years cannot obtain a permission to build a cathedral and have to be squeezed in the small church of St. George.

Later that day Metropolitan Hilarion visited the Convent of the Transfiguration accommodated in a private apartment for want of appropriate facilities and land.

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