The Church of the Georgian Diaspora in Moscow Scheduled for Restoration



On 3 rd February 2021 the bishop of Naro-Fominsk Paramonus (Golubka), the head of the directorate for finance and logistics of the Russian Orthodox Church, chaired a meeting to discuss issues concerning the restoration of the Church of the Great Martyr George ‘v Gruzinakh’, which the Georgian Orthodox diaspora in Moscow attends for spiritual sustenance and guidance.

Participating in the meeting were the deputy chairman of the Department for External Church Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate archpriest Nikolai Balashov, the rector of the Church of the Holy Martyr George archpriest Feodor Krechetov, the secretary of the DECR for inter-Orthodox relations archpriest Igor Yakimchuk, the spiritual counsellor of the Georgian diaspora in Moscow and cleric of the Georgian Orthodox Church archpriest Kakhaber Gogotishvili, the advisor to the department for the cultural heritage of the city of Moscow and interaction with religious organizations I. N. Kamenskikh, the deputy director of the non- commercial unified service of the Moscow Patriarchy in its capacity as commissioner priest Mikhail Titov and the head of the department for restoration and repairs under the directorate for finance and logistics of the Russian Orthodox Church Ye. G. Inasaridze.

For a long time the church building was occupied by the Krasin State College for Technology, Economics and Law. During this period windows were put in the supporting walls of the church building and additional architectural elements were added in between the floors. No repair work has been carried

out for several
decades.

Construction engineers have at present judged the state of the building to be “unsatisfactory and in places in danger of collapse.” In 2014 the church was transferred to the parish as its own property by order of the Moscow city government.

The church has the status of Patriarchal Metochion.

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