Metropolitan Hilarion: the meeting of the leaders of Russia and USA is a step towards cutting the Gordian knot of problems in relations between the two countries



The Geneva meeting between President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin and President of the USA John Biden has become this week's main theme.

As Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Department for External Church Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate, noted commenting the summit at a request of presenter of the Church and the World program Ms. E. Gracheva, a very disturbing situation developed in the relations between the USA and Russia, and the meeting of the leaders of the two powers became an important step "toward cutting the Gordian knot and beginning to solve accumulated problems, and there is a great deal of them".

"It was a very extensive and open conversation", His Eminence stated, "and the observers who wanted the meeting to do harm to Russia were later sincerely disappointed".

“I believe the personal relationships are important, but as President Putin said speaking at the briefing after the meeting with President Biden, political relations should be first of all pragmatic”, the DECR chairman resumed.

Metropolitan Hilarion reminded the journalists that every state leader is called to defend the interests of his own country while knowing how to build relations with neighbors. If in case are such major nuclear powers as the USA and Russia, then “it is on their stable relationships that the security of the whole world depends as well”.

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