Patriarch Kirill meets with Islamic religious leaders in Kazan



On 21st July, 2021, His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia met with the Islamic religious leaders at the residence of the President of Tatarstan located in the Kazan Kremlin.

Taking part in the talk were Mufti Kamil Hazrat Samigullin, chairman of the Spiritual Administration of Muslims of the Republic of Tatarstan; Grand Mufti Sheikh-ul-Islam Talgat Tadjuddin, chairman of the Central Spiritual Administration of Muslims of Russia; Mufti Albir Hazrat Krganov, chairman of the Spiritual Assembly of Muslims of Moscow and Central region “Moscow Muftiyat” and Mufti of the Spiritual Administration of Muslims of the Chuvash Republic.

Attending the meeting were Metropolitan Kirill of Kazan and Tatarstan, head of the Tatarstan Metropolia, and Mr. Vladimir R. Legoida, chairman of the Synodal Department for Church’s Relations with Society and Mass Media and acting head of the Press Service of the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia.

Mufti Samigullin welcomed His Holiness Patriarch Kirill and congratulated him on the consecration of the Cathedral of the Kazan icon of the Mother of God on the site where this miraculous icon was found.

Also greeting His Holiness the Patriarch was Mufti Tajuddin who thanked His Holiness for the heartfelt words he said after the divine service in the newly consecrated Cathedral. The Primate of the Russian Orthodox Church said in his sermon that the traditionally good interconfessional relations had helped strengthen the unity of the Fatherland. Chairman of the Central Spiritual Administration of the Muslims of Russia noted the similar positions of the representatives of Orthodoxy and Islam on many key issues shown in particular during discussion of the amendments to the RF Constitution last year. Mufti Tajuddin added that the citizens of Russia could have different religious affiliation, but they were united by the centuries-long shared history in one Motherland.

Discussed were issues of teaching “The Fundamentals of Religious Culture” by clerics of traditional religions, their ministry during the pandemic, and organization of interreligious forums.

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