His Holiness Patriarch Kirill expressed brotherly support to Primate of the Church of Jerusalem in view of radicals' attack on the Church of the Dormition in Gethsemane

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On March 23, 2023, His Holiness Kirill, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, sent a message to His Beatitude Theophilos III, Patriarch of the Holy City of Jerusalem and All Palestine, expressing his compassion and brotherly support in view of another attack made by radicals on Christian buildings in the Holy Land.

'Your Beatitude, beloved Brother and Concelebrant at God's altar! With sorrow and concern I have learnt about an attack made by Jewish radicals on the Church of the Dormition on the Sunday of the Adoration of the Cross during the Liturgy celebrated at the Tomb of the Mother of God and about an attack on the priest and an attempt to maim His Eminence Joachim, Metropolitan of Helenopolis. Crying shame on this crime, I express compassion and brotherly support to Your Beatitude', the massage reads.

His Holiness wished His Beatitude Patriarch Theophilos peace for the Holy City, strength from the Lord and well-being to his God-saved flock.

His Holiness Patriarch Kirill assured Patriarch Theophilos that the Russian Orthodox Church, on her part, would continue ‘doing all that depends on us to help all Christians in the Holy Land, first of all, the faithful of the Church of Jerusalem’.

In his letter to Patriarch Theophilos of Jerusalem, His Holiness Patriarch Kirill also shared his profound concern for the situation of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, which ‘has entered the gravest period of persecutions’.

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