



## Metropolitan of Volokolamsk meets with newly-elected primate of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church.



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On 24<sup>th</sup> February the chairman of the Department of External Church Relations the metropolitan of Volokolamsk Anthony during his visit to India met with the Major Archbishop of Ernakulam-Angamaly Raphael Thattil, who on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 was elected primate of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church.

On the same day the chairman of the DECR attended a reception in honour of the Major Archbishop Mar Raphael Thattil, which was held by His Holiness the Catholicos of the Malankara Church Baselios Marthoma Mathews III in the Patriarchal and Synodal Residence of the Church of India in Kottayam.

Also attending the reception were members of the Holy Synod of the Malankara Church and those

accompanying metropolitan Anthony on his trip to India the secretary of the DECR for inter-Christian relations hieromonk Stephan (Igumnov) and the secretary the DECR chairman deacon Nikolai Vasin.

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