



DECR chairman meets with Israeli Ambassador to Russia



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On December 24th, at the Department for External Church Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate, Metropolitan Anthony of Volokolamsk, DECR chairman, met with Ms Simone Halperin, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Israel to Russia.

During their conversation, Metropolitan Anthony spoke about the past and present-day work of the Department for External Church Relations, as well as about the Russian Church's relationships with the Orthodox Church of Jerusalem and the activities of the Russian Ecclesiastical Mission in Jerusalem. The DECR chairman emphasised a special importance of the Holy Land for Christians.

The participants in the meeting discussed a number of international problems.

Taking part in the meeting were also Archpriest Sergy Zvonarev, DECR secretary for far abroad countries, and Ms Alona Markovski, Political Advisor of the Israeli Embassy.

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