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His Holiness Patriarch Kirill sends greetings to President of Palestine Mahmoud Abbas on his 90th birthday



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*His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Rus' **congratulated** Mr Mahmoud Abbas, President of the State of Palestine, on his 90th birthday. The text of the letter is given below.*

His Excellency Mr Mahmoud ABBAS
President of the State of Palestine

Your Excellency,
Dear Mr President,

Please accept my heartfelt greetings on your 90th birthday.

You are an experienced and far-sighted statesman committed to championing peace in the Palestinian land, where people have been suffering greatly in recent years, enduring severe hardships. Your work for the benefit of your fellow countrymen, your well-considered position on today's burning issues and the dedication you show in performing your duty have earned you respect and acknowledgement in and far beyond the Middle East.

I thank you for seeing to the preservation of Christian shrines in the Palestinian land, which attract great many believers from all over the world for veneration and prayer.

On this memorable day, I wish you strength and success in your important and demanding service, and I wish lasting and just peace and welfare to the people of Palestine.

Sincerely yours,

**+KIRILL
PATRIARCH OF MOSCOW AND ALL RUS'**

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