



The Chairman of the DECR Met with the Head of the Regional Delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Russia and Belarus



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On April 29, a meeting took place at the Department for External Church Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate between the DECR Chairman Metropolitan Anthony of Volokolamsk and the head of the Regional Delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus, Rania Mashlab.

Metropolitan Anthony warmly welcomed the guest, thanking her for the cooperation of the Regional Delegation with the Russian Orthodox Church in helping people in zones of military conflict and emphasizing the importance of the work carried out by the ICRC.

R. Mashlab spoke about the activities of the ICRC and the Regional Delegation she heads, including

the principles of service to people and contacts with all interested governmental and public structures.

The head of the DECR spoke about the social ministry of the Russian Church in institutions abroad and the interaction of the Moscow Patriarchate with Christian charitable foundations.

The participants in the meeting discussed various aspects of inter-Christian cooperation in addressing pressing issues of the modern world, including those related to armed conflicts.

The parties agreed to develop further cooperation.

Also taking part in the meeting were Deputy Head of the ICRC Regional Delegation José Antonio Delgado, Head of the Humanitarian Policy Department of the ICRC Regional Delegation Ruth Hetherington, and Humanitarian Policy Advisor of the ICRC Regional Delegation Petr Levin.

Also participating in the meeting was the DECR Secretary for the Affairs of the Far Abroad, Archpriest Sergiy Zvonaryov.

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