## Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk meets with Patriarch Theodoros of Alexandria and All Africa

On 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019, while in Greece with the blessing of His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia, Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, chairman of the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations, met in Thessaloniki with His Beatitude Patriarch Theodoros of Alexandria and All Africa.

The participants in the meeting, held at Makedonia Palace Hotel, exchanged opinions on various issues pertaining to the bilateral relations between the Orthodox Church of Alexandria and the Russian Orthodox Church, as well to the inter-Orthodox relations. The meeting took place in the atmosphere of trust and cordiality.

That same day Metropolitan Hilarion took part in a ceremony of blessing an office building belonging to Atlantis Pak Company, with its restoration funded by a Russian entrepreneur, Mr. Ivan Savvidi. The ceremony was led by His Beatitude Patriarch Theodoros of Alexandria and All Africa. Among those present were Metropolitans Anthimos of Thessaloniki, Dimitrios of Irenoupolis and Georgios of Guinea; clerics of the Metropolis of Thessaloniki of the Greek Orthodox Church; as well as the DECR staff members accompanying Metropolitan Hilarion: Archpriest Igor Yakimchuk, secretary for inter-Orthodox relations, and Hieromonk Grigory (Sokolov).

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