

# THE ARMENIANS VISIT THE PATRIARCHATE ON THE OCCASION OF CHRISTMAS

At 11:00 am of Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> of December 2015/9<sup>th</sup> of January 2016, the Armenian Church in Jerusalem visited the Patriarchate on the occasion of Christmas according to the Julian calendar.

The Armenian clerics, headed by Archbishop Aris Shirvanian, were welcomed by His Beatitude Theophilos, Patriarch of Jerusalem, in the presence of Hagiotaphite Fathers.

In the context of the visit, His Eminence Aris addressed the Patriarch saying that the light of the Nativity of Jesus Christ upon the world has illuminated the nations that went on to receive it and formulate the Church. However, to this day there are nations that do not accept the truth of Christ, hence why collaboration must be sought towards addressing such issues.

His Beatitude made a reply speech in English, see link:

<https://en.jerusalem-patriarchate.info/2016/01/09/19736>

**From the Secretariat-General**

<httpv://youtu.be/4tvwZSASg0I>

