

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL PLURALISM AND PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

On Monday 17th /30th and Tuesday 18th /31st October 2017, the proceedings of the “2nd International Conference on Religious and Cultural Pluralism and the Peaceful Co-existence in the Middle East” organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Greece took place in Athens.

During this Conference addresses were spoken by His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Nikolaos Kotzias, His Beatitude the Archbishop of Athens and All Greece Ieronymos, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary, the Minister of Tolerance of the United Arab Emirates, the Ambassador of Austria in Greece, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cyprus Mr. Kasoulidis, His Beatitude the Patriarch of Alexandria Theodoros, the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, the Most Reverend Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokomsk of the Moscow Patriarchate, the delegate of Israel Rabi Mr. Rozen, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Palestine and His Beatitude our Father and Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos.

On Monday afternoon, His Beatitude the Archbishop of Athens and All Greece Ieronymos hosted a meal reception for the guests of the Churches and their entourages.

The Conference proceedings continued until Monday afternoon. At 8.00 o'clock in the evening the Prime Minister of Greece Mr. Alexis Tsipras hosted the dinner for all the members of

the Conference at “The Acropolis Museum” restaurant.

The Conference proceedings continued on Tuesday, 18th /31st October 2017. In the end there were concluding remarks by the Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Nikolaos Kotzias, followed by a voting and a press conference.

In the evening of the same day, on Tuesday 18th /31st October 2017, H.H.B. departed from Athens to England. Details on this trip will be posted in due course.

From Secretariat-General