THE CONSUL GENERAL OF GREAT BRITAIN IN JERUSALEM VISITS THE PATRIARCHATE

The Consul General of Great Britain in Jerusalem Mr. Philip Hall, visited the Patriarchate on Friday February 17/ March 2, 2018.

His Excellency was received by H.H.B. our Father and Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos, Hagiotaphite Fathers, the Custos of the Holy Land Father Francesco Patton with some of his associates and the Armenian Patriarchate representatives, Most Reverend Barret and Archimandrite Samuel.

On this visit the Consul General of Britain was informed on the recent crisis, leading to the closure and re-opening of the Holy Sepulchre, due to the illegitimate tax measures by the Mayor of Jerusalem Municipality as well as the "Bill of Church lands" proposed to the Knesset by member of Knesset Rachel Azaria.

During the meeting emphasis was concretely placed on and on the need to preserve the Status Quo in Jerusalem.

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