HIS BEATITUDE THE PATRIARCH OF JERUSALEM THEOPHILOS INVITED TO THE CELEBRATION OF THE INDEPENDENCE DAY OF RUSSIA

On the evening of Sunday, May 29/June 11, 2023, a reception was organized at the Sergei Hotel in Jerusalem by the Russian Spiritual Mission — (MISSIA) in honour of the National Independence Day of Russia.

H.H.B. our Father and Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos was invited to this event after the Elder Secretary-General His Eminence Archbishop Aristarchos of Constantina, the Elder Dragoman Archimandrite Mattheos, the Archdeacon Mark and Hierodeacon Simeon.

In his address, the Russian Ambassador to Israel, Mr Anatoli Victorov, referred to Russia's contribution to the defeat of the Nazi forces during World War II, as well as to His Beatitude's efforts to protect the presence and property of Christian Churches in the Holy Land, as well as in His efforts to restore the unity of the Orthodox Churches.

From Secretariat-General