

ПРЕМ'ЄР-МІНІСТР  
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PRIME MINISTER  
OF UKRAINE

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Kyiv

Your All Holiness,

On behalf of the Government of Ukraine and on my own behalf I would like to express my deepest respect and cordial gratitude for the great attention you draw to Ukraine and your sincere solidarity with its people who are fighting for their freedom, dignity and territorial integrity.

Ukrainian nation does remember from where they have received the light of Gospel, Grace and Truth and, despite all the historical dramas, have always felt a very special tie with the Mother Church. We all highly appreciate that the Mother Church as You, All Holiness, consistently emphasize, feels not only the right but also the obligation to support Ukraine, pray for peace to come on its land and encourage every edifying and promising initiative that would cure, as fast as possible, within the framework of the established Orthodox tradition, divisions between Orthodox believers in Ukraine.

In this respect we acknowledged with great hope blessing you have given to the Permanent Conference of Ukrainian Orthodox Bishops beyond the Borders of Ukraine to hold its Meeting this June in Kyiv.

I strongly believe that this Meeting, which would be open for participation of Orthodox Bishops from all over Ukraine, is going to be of great importance for the spiritual coherence of the Orthodox Ukrainians, spread of brotherly love and national consent. I also hope that this Meeting will contribute to the prosperity of all the Orthodox nations and Orthodox Churches for which You, All Holiness, serves as a Guarantor of unity.

Very respectfully yours,

Prime Minister of Ukraine

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Arseniy Yatsenyuk'.

Arseniy Yatsenyuk

**His All Holiness, Bartholomew,  
Archbishop of Constantinople,  
New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch**