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Consistory Approves Formation of the UOCC Briefing & Information Team

Winnipeg, MB - At a special teleconference on May 3, 2012, the Consistory of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada approved in principle the formation of a small team of individuals tasked with formulating informational briefs, statements, and articles in a timely manner that enunciate clearly the position/opinion of our Primate, Consistory and/or of the whole Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada. These short releases, intended for publication on the UOCC website and in the *Visnyk/The Herald*, may be in regard to various issues, events, questions or problems which impact our UOCC at any given time, directly or indirectly, either internally or from outside the bounds of our UOCC. BIT materials may be viewed online at: http://www.uocc.ca/en-ca/faith/articles/briefinginfoteam/

In early summer of this year, as per the request of the Consistory, His Eminence Metropolitan Yurij formed such a team, now known as the UOCC Briefing and Information Team (BIT). His Eminence has appointed priest, Fr. Cornell Zubritsky, chair of BIT, which also includes the Rt. Rev. Mitred Archpriest Ihor Kutash, and is assisted by the Consistory Office. BIT functions under the direction of His Eminence, the Metropolitan, and in concert with the Communications Committee of the Consistory of the UOCC and (when suitable) the UOCC Inter-Church Relations Committee. Furthermore, to enhance the work of BIT, the team chair has the blessing to request the assistance of additional individuals from time to time — either specialists in a specific topic of discussion, or those who can offer helpful and useful knowledge about events and issues in their specific location.

Questions, comments or concerns regarding the work of the UOCC Briefing and Information Team, or material it produces, may be directed to the team chair:

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