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A thanking letter from the Sinai Fathers to His Beatitude the Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos III



SAINT CATHERINE'S MONASTERY
AND ARCHBISHOPIC OF MOUNT SINAI

In Sinai, 13th August 2025

To
His Beatitude the Patriarch of Jerusalem
Theophilos III

Your Beatitude Father and Master,

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude both to Your Beatitude for Your truly paternal and spiritual interest, as well as to His Eminence Archbishop Aristarchos of Constantina, along with the Committee under him, for his unfeigned and long-

standing love towards us, who suffered this toil despite his honourable age, and conveyed to our hearts in confidence the information entrusted to him. Likewise, for the honourable and untiring effort he has shown for our Brotherhood in this time of trial. Their sincere and unreserved presence here, in accordance with the canonical provision of Article 19 of the Foundational Statutes of the Holy Monastery of Sinai, after the canonical appeal of the ceased Archbishop of ours, and Your Beatitude's immediate response, brought to us in Christ the genuine love of Your Patriarchal care, truly uplifting our hearts and the struggles of the Fathers of Sinai.

In truth and meekness, but also with deep pain, our Brotherhood was informed in detail by Your Eminence's Exarch concerning all the dimensions of the ongoing issue, and we noted at the same time his wholehearted willingness for cooperation with the Governments of Egypt and Greece for the benefit and protection of the Holy Monastery.

Thus, in patience and perseverance, and with our sincere respect towards His Eminence, the elderly Archbishop Damianos, we proceed towards the forthcoming General Assembly for further discussion.

With profound respect,

Archbishop Niphon

Representative of the Fathers of Sinai

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