Archbishop of America, Moscow Patriarchate's Metropolitan of Volokolamsk meet in NYC



A closely watched meeting between the Archbishop of America, His Eminence Elpidophoros, and the Moscow Patriarchate's Metropolitan of Volokolamsk, His Eminence Hilarion, took place in New York City on Wednesday

The meeting came in the wake of an invitation by His Eminence Joseph, the Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All North America of the Patriarchate of Antioch and all the East, who attended the meeting.

Hilarion is also the chairman of the Russian Church's department of external Church relations.

According to a press release issued by the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America — after Metropolitan Joseph hosted a lunch, the three hierarchs met privately to exchange views on the current inter-Orthodox situation.

At the end of the meeting the two visiting hierarchs exchanged memorable gifts.