

Patriarch Kirill suspends operation of Alexandria Patriarchate's Moscow mission



Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and all Russia has suspended the activity of the Moscow mission of the Patriarchate of Alexandria and All Africa.

“Activity of the Moscow mission of the Patriarchate of Alexandria and all Africa has been temporarily suspended,” the Russian Orthodox Church’s Department for External Church Relations head Archpriest Igor Yakimchuk told *Interfax* on Monday.

He said the final decision on the mission’s activity might be made by the Synod at its meeting in Moscow in late December.

At the moment, the main item on the agenda of inter-Orthodox relations is the recognition of the non-canonical religious organization of Ukraine established by the Constantinople Patriarchate about a year ago. The organization has been recognized by Constantinople, and the heads of the Greek and Alexandria Orthodox Churches.