

Russian Church spokesman reiterates opposition to draft law over concerns of intervention into family life



The chairman of the Russian Orthodox Church's Department for Society and Mass Media Relations, Vladimir Legoida, this week reiterated the Moscow Patriarchate's opposition to a draft bill regarding domestic violence.

Legoida, who is also the acting head of the Patriarchate's press service, echoed a previous statement by the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, His Holiness Kirill, against outside intervention in the family.

He said "... We consider, as absolutely unacceptable, an intervention in the domestic life of a family, which is protected under the constitution and by the sacredness of family life. Every family has the independence, and the right, to raise its children based on its convictions, without external intervention."