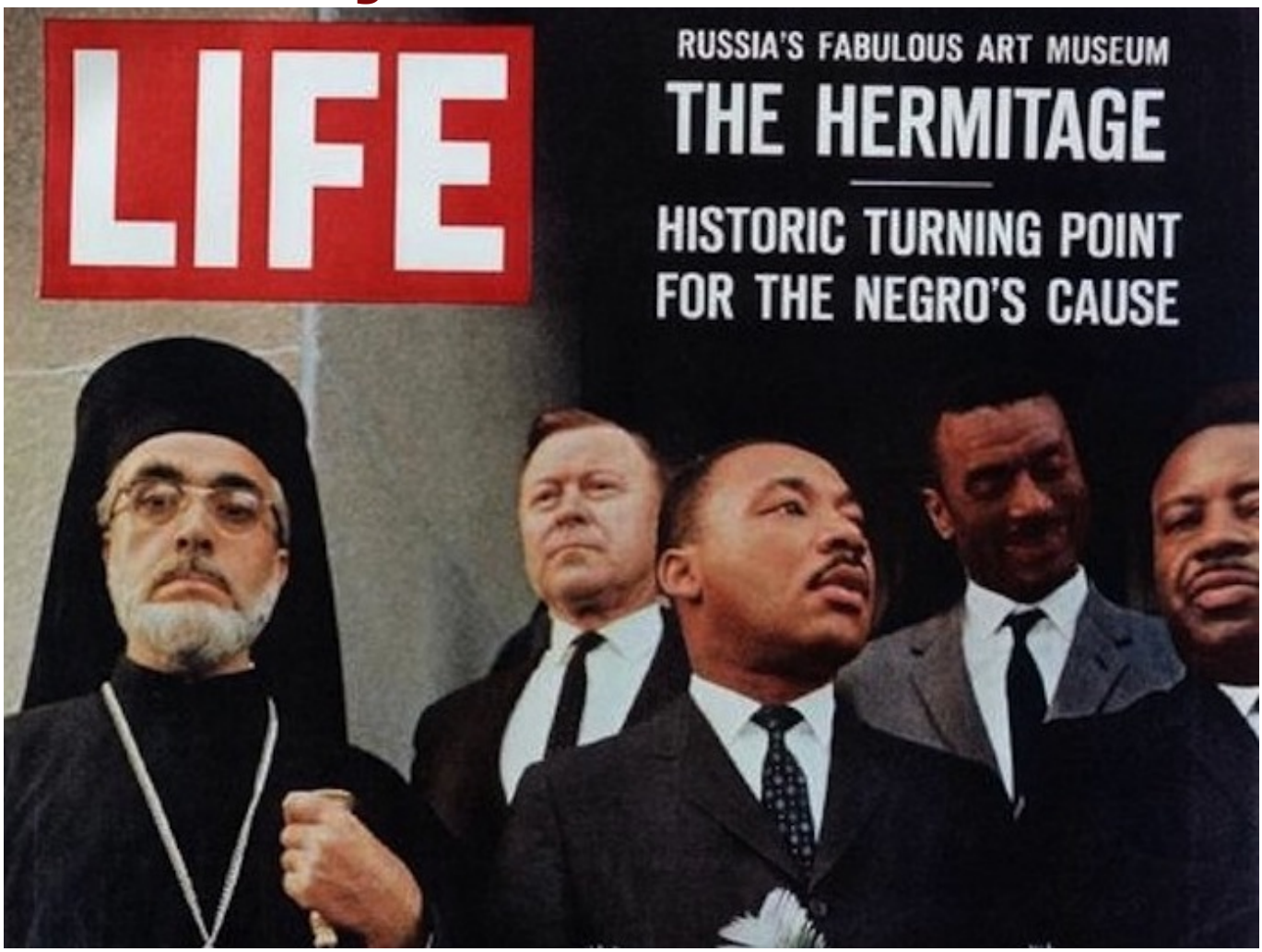
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Busting Racism in the 1930s: Powerful Photo of Greeks Serving Black Patrons



This powerful photo shot at a Greek-owned diner in Pittsburgh's Hill District circa 1930s is an emotional reminder of how newly arrived Greek immigrants treated African-Americans.

The owners are pictured serving their patrons more than three decades before the Civil Rights Movement would take place.



An image evoking mutual respect which is at odds with the current racial tensions following the killing of George Floyd.

In later years, Greek-Americans forged links with black Americans, as they supported the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s.
The best-known instance of support was when Archbishop Iakovos, Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America, marched with black leader Martin Luther King Jr. in Selma, Alabama in 1965.



Indeed, the March 26, 1965 cover of LIFE Magazine featured a picture of Archbishop Iakovos with King.

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