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Church of Greece and state talks topped by payroll issue



The government’s proposal to strike clerics off the state’s payroll topped the agenda of last Thursday’s meeting between Education Minister Costas Gavroglou and a special eight-member committee from the Church of Greece.

The proposal to remove clerics from the state’s payroll – and to pay them instead via an annual state subsidy to be managed by the Church – was rejected in November by the Holy Synod.

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