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Finally, the annoyance expressed by the Russian Orthodox Church to a decision by the Ecumenical Patriarchate to grant the requests of Orthodox believers in the Ukraine for Autocephaly, continues to generate insecurity among the faithful, and often fears of expressing one’s convictions. Nevertheless, the Moscow Church’s official website this week reported that hierarchs in Ukraine’s Poltava region called on local authorities to end “interference in ecclesiastical matters”.