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## **Patriarch of Alexandria Theodoros: ‘Great geopolitical interests plague our African brother and keep him captive to his needs’**



The Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa, His Most Divine Beatitude Theodoros II, this week issued his annual Christmas message, beseeching the mighty of the world, as he said, for peace to prevail.

His Beatitude’s message read, in part, “...I raise my hands and kneel in the humble manger of the newborn Divine infant, and with a cry of agony, I ask God to enlighten the Mighty of the earth, so that the peace of Christ may prevail... One of the most beautiful and blessed regions in the world, but at the same time, the most afflicted by hunger and poverty, Africa, for centuries now is trying to find its direction. But great geopolitical interests plague our African brother and keep him captive to his needs.”