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His All Holiness Bartholomew in Serbia



His All Holiness Bartholomew attempted to allay concerns in Serbia, expressed by both the Serbian Orthodox Church as well as a majority of the faithful in the country, who reportedly disagree with the Ecumenical Patriarchate’s recent decisions on autocephaly for the Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

Bartholomew granted an interview, where he offered explanations over the decision, while adding that, God willing, he will visit Belgrade in the coming autumn for the 800-year anniversary of the establishment of the Serbian Orthodox Patriarchate and the ordination of St. Sava as the first Archbishop of the autocephalous Serbian Church.Significant interest has emerged on whether the Ecumenical Patriarch will meet on the margins of the commemorative events with the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, His Holiness Kirill.