

## Commencement of preservation works at the Patriarchal Library of Alexandria



On Saturday, 15 July 2023, His Eminence Metropolitan Panteleimon of Naucratis, Chief Secretary of the Holy and Sacred Synod of the Patriarchate of Alexandria, according to the order and blessing of His Beatitude Pope and Patriarch Theodoros II of Alexandria and Africa, received at the Patriarchal Palace in Alexandria, Mr. Dimitrios Alcliffe, legal representative of the Company for the Management and Maintenance of Ecclesiastical Relics "Social Cooperative Enterprise Pantokrator", accompanied by the conservators of ecclesiastical relics, Mr. Paraskevas Valavanis and Ms. Styliani Permathouli, in order to examine historical antiquities treasured in the famed Patriarchal Library of Alexandria and to proceed with the initiation of systematic maintenance work, in a newly established specialised workshop for the conservation of paper and ecclesiastical relics, in Cairo, Egypt.

After several hours of examination of the collections by the experts, Metropolitan Panteleimon co-signed with Mr. Dimitrios Alcliffe "Delivery-Receipt Protocols" and proceeded to hand over the first collection of items to the designated Company, to start in the Egyptian capital, this very important project of restoration of these precious spiritual treasures of the ancient Church of Alexandria and their future scientific study by researchers and university institutions, around the world.

It is noted that on Friday, 14 July 2023, His Beatitude Pope and Patriarch Theodoros II of Alexandria, visited the modern workshop of conservation, in the Holy Patriarchal Monastery of Saint George in Cairo and blessed the beginning of the works of restoration.

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Finally, His Beatitude Pope and Patriarch Theodoros also had a meeting at the centuries-old Holy Monastery with Mr. Konstantinos Patseas, Coordinator of digitisation projects, regarding the future digitisation of the aforementioned collections, after their conservation.







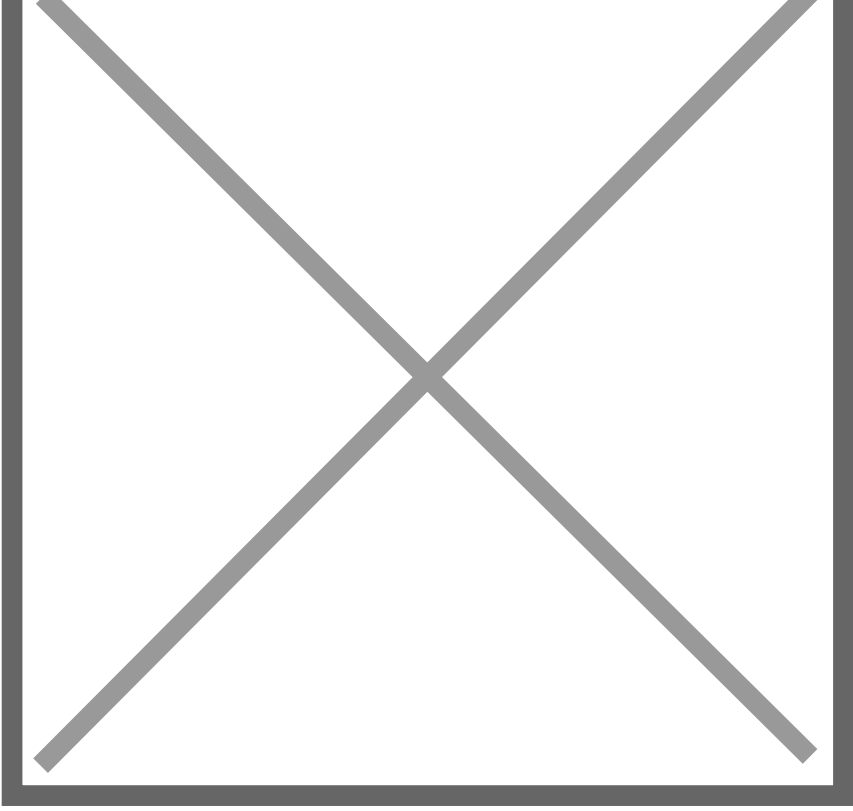
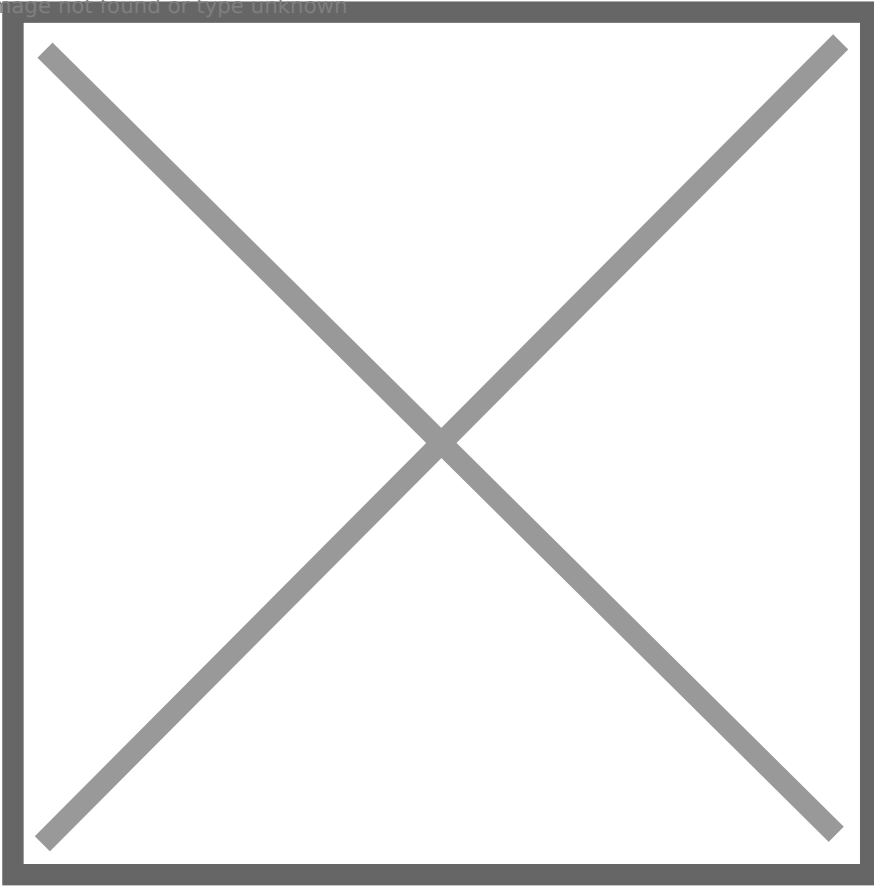








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