

Announcement of the Holy and Sacred Synod that met in Halki

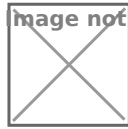


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Read below the announcement of the Ecumenical Patriarchate:

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During this session, at the suggestion of the Ecumenical Patriarch, Bishop Apostolos of Medeia was unanimously elected Metropolitan of New Jersey by the Holy and Sacred Synod, by a triprosopon appointed by the Holy Eparchial Synod of the Holy Archdiocese of America. The Metropolitan read the announcement of his election (Mikro Minima) and the Formal Election Announcement (Mega Minima) on the same day.

Finally, all the matters on the daily agenda were addressed, in which the appropriate decisions were taken.”

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