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## **Russian Patriarch extends condolences to families of victims of submarine accident**



The Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, His Holiness Kirill, extended his condolences to the families of the victims of a fire aboard a Russian navy research submersible in the Barents Sea, which killed 14 crew members this week.

The Patriarch, in a statement, noted that "...I was extremely pained upon learning of the fire on July 1 aboard a submarine in Russian territorial waters, with 14 sailors dying as a result. Please accept my sincere condolences."