Patriarch Kirill to Islamic states: More attention



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The Orthodox Patriarch of Moscow has urged the governments of Muslim majority states to respect Christian minorities.

Meeting ambassadors from 20 Arab States, September 4, Kirill said that " More attention to the needs of the Christian minority [in Islamic countries] would be an additional factor in the Christian-Muslim dialogue".

During the talks, held in the Cathedral of Christ the Savior in Moscow, the Patriarch also stressed the theme of reciprocity by stating that "Christian Orthodox churches in Arab lands the same as numerous mosques in Russia are a symbol of the friendship of Christians and Muslims, an indication of our intentions to live in friendship and mutual respect". $(\pi\epsilon\rho\iota\sigma\sigma\delta\tau\epsilon\rho\alpha...)$