



Athens, 8-9 December 2016

### Meeting of the I.A.O. International Secretariat and Committee Chairpersons and Rapporteurs

The works of the International Secretariat and Committee Chairpersons and Rapporteurs of the Interparliamentary Assembly on Orthodoxy successfully held at its seat in Athens

Members of Parliaments from Armenia, Albania, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Egypt, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Jordan, Lebanon, Romania, Russian Federation, Sudan and Syria participated at the meeting.

Moreover, during the discussion on issues included in the agenda His Eminence Archbishop John of Zambia & Malawi, coordinator of the I.A.O. activities in Africa, has also been appointed the liaison between the I.A.O. and the Pan-African Parliament and Mr. KAVVATHAS, George, President of the Hellenic Confederation of Professionals, Craftsmen & Merchants (GSEVEE), participated as well.

During the meeting, the composition of the new Russian parliamentary delegation to the I.A.O. after the parliamentary elections and the decision of the President of the State Duma, were completed as follows:

Belousov Vadim, Member of the parliamentary delegation

Gavrilov Sergey, Member of the I.A.O. International Secretariat

Sucharev Ivan, Member of the Parliamentary delegation

Vyatkin Dmitry, Chairperson of the I.A.O. Financial Committee

Zatulín Konstantín, Chairperson of the I.A.O. on International Policy

Mr. Sergey Popov, Member of the Federation Council of the Federal Assembly of Russian remains President of the I.A.O. General Assembly.

It is worth noting that the I.A.O. International Secretariat and Committee Chairpersons and Rapporteurs welcomed at its seat, H.H. Tawadros II, Pope of Alexandria and Patriarch of All Africa of the Coptic Orthodox Church. During the meeting the patriarch was briefed on the I.A.O. activities, as well as on the prospect for permanent cooperation with the Parliament of Egypt.