

HIS BEATITUDE MEETS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESEIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CONGO (CONGO- BRAZZAVILLE)

On the afternoon of 29th October 2012 His Beatitude Theodoros II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa went to the Presidential Mansion of Congo-Brazzaville where he met with His Excellency President Denis Sassou Nguesso.

During the meeting His Beatitude informed His Excellency about the general activities of the ancient Patriarchate and expressed whole-hearted thanks for the favourable treatment of the Orthodox Church by the hospitable state of Congo-Brazzaville as well as for all the possible assistance given to it.

His Excellency Mr Guesso described the visit of the Alexandria Primate as a "great blessing for the country and for himself personally" and praised the contribution made by the Holy Diocese to the local community and emphasized the excellent co-operation with it.

His Excellency the President was then awarded the Great Cross of St Mark with a Star and an exchange of commemorative gifts followed.