The Dialogue Between the Holy Synods of the Church of the True Orthodox Christians of Greece and the Orthodox Ecclesiastical Community in Resistance

## First Joint Communiqué

**n December 29,** 2012/ January 11, 2013, the first Joint Deliberation of the Committees for Dialogue Between the Church of the True Orthodox Christians of Greece and the Orthodox Ecclesiastical Community in Resistance took place at the Monastery of Sts. Cyprian and Justina, Phyle, Attica.



All of the appointed members of the committees were present except for His Grace, Bishop Ambrose of Methone, who was unable to depart from South Ossetia on account of bad weather.

This first Joint Deliberation dealt primarily with

matters of formality and procedure: the two sides exchanged official Synodal documents, through which they approved the members of each committee and the proposed bylaws, and also appointed the members of the Secretariat.

Then, following a lengthy discussion in a spirit of fraternal cordiality, an agendum was determined for the systematic labor of the two committees, with priority being given to the consideration of ecclesiological issues. The agendum will be open to reformulation during the course of the dialogue, with the common consent of both sides.

From the Joint Secretariat of the Committees for Dialogue