The Ecumenical Patriarchate Holy and Sacred Synod

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Press Release

It is announced that the letter written by His Eminence Metropolitan Theoleptos of Iconium to the newspaper in America, The National Herald, was a result of the author's own personal decision and initiative. This letter was sent without the knowledge of the Mother Church and its content does not reflect the views held by the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

The sentiments of appreciation and love of the Ecumenical Patriarchate for His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios were expressed by His All Holiness repeatedly during his official visit to the United States this past Fall also in honor of the conclusion of His Eminence's 10th year of fruitful ministry to the Archdiocese of America.

At the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the 18th of January 2010

From the Chief Secretariat of the Holy and Sacred Synod