



## **The Clergy of Greece and Cyprus Publish a Petition Against Patriarch Bartholomew's Views**

Athens. The [petition](#) was published in Greece, which strongly criticizes recent statements of Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople, preceding a meeting between Pope Francis of Rome and the Primate of the Orthodox Church of Constantinople during Pope Francis' visit to Turkey on November 28-30, 2014. In particular, the criticism focuses on the nature of the Orthodox Church and its relations with other Christian denominations and other religions.

The petition is entitled "The New Ecclesiology of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew." It was written by several archimandrites and archpriests of the Greek Orthodox Church. At the present time the petition has been signed by over 2,000 people, including six bishops, priests, monks of the Orthodox Churches of Greece and Cyprus, and monks of Mount Athos.