

THE BISHOP OF CONGO-BZV MEETS H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

On 7th January 2015, His Grace Panteleimon Bishop of Congo-Brazzaville and Gabon went to the Presidential Mansion to pass on his wishes for the new year, following an invitation from His Excellency Mr. Denis Sassou Nguesso, President of the Republic of the Congo and his wife Antoinette, according to the Country's custom.

During the meeting His Grace expressed to the President the grateful thanks of the local Church for the support shown by the State to the Church and the admirable and willing collaboration of all the state officials and services with its prelate. He also passed on the festive prayers and gratitude of His Beatitude Theodoros II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa. His Excellency thanked His Grace Panteleimon.

In conclusion His Grace invited Mrs. Antoinette Sassou Nguesso to visit the "St Efstathios" Orthodox Orphanage in Dolisie. Note that this philanthropic institute of the Holy Diocese was officially approved during 2014 by the State of Congo-Brazzaville and is now numbered among the three approved orphanages in the country, defined as the best of those three.