## HIS BEATITUDE MEETS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRIME MINISTER OF AZERBAIJAN

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2010, His Beatitude Theodoros II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa met with His Excellency the Prime Minister of Azerbaijan Mr. Artur Tahir oglu Rasizade, in the framework of his journey to the Caucasus of South Russia.

During their lengthy talks His Beatitude informed His Excellency the Prime Minister about the historic path of the Alexandrian Church as well as of its multifaceted missionary, philanthropic, educational and social activities in the countries of Africa for the suffering people.

They then went on to talk of the peaceful relations between Christians and Muslims both in the countries of the Patriarchal Throne, as well as in Azerbaijan. They then exchanged best wishes and commemorative gifts on the occasion of the great feast of Ramadan and His Beatitude invited His Excellency the Prime Minister to visit the Patriarchal See in the Land of the Nile.