

THE PATRIARCH OF ALEXANDRIA AT THE PRESENTATION OF THE BOOK “PETROS VII – THE VISIONARY PATRIARCH (1997-2004)”

On the evening of Monday 8 December 2014, His Beatitude Theodoros II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa, H A.Θ.M. attended the presentation of the book by Metropolitan George of Guinea “PETROS VII – THE VISIONARY PATRIARCH (1997-2004)” which took place in the great function hall of the ‘Four Seasons’ Hotel in Limassol.

The function began with the singing of the Apolytikion of the Saint Apostle and Evangelist Mark and with the greeting of the representative of the President of Cyprus Mr. Panayiotis Antoniou – Director of the President’s Private Office. The Journalist/Academic recited the poem ‘Ithaca’ by the Alexandrian poet Costas Cavafis. The author was presented by the Journalist Elena Haralambous. The presentation of the book was made by the Professor Emeritus of the Kapodistrian University of Athens and Director of the Historic Archives of the Holy Synod of the Church of Greece, Mr. Spyridon Kontogiannis. A screening dedicated to the late Patriarch Petros VII followed, then address by the author in which he thanked all who contributed to the publication of the book and the beautiful function, which ended with the address by His Beatitude Theodoros II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa – among other things he congratulated the author, outlined the great personality of his predecessor and awarded the Cross of St Mark to the sponsor of the publication of the book and the function, Mr Glafkos Mouskis, owner of the Four

Seasons Hotel. The evening ended with songs of Cyprus, beautifully presented by the singer Despo Plyta, accompanied by piano. The event was coordinated with great success by the Journalist Andreas Dimitropoulos.

Among those present were the Ambassador of Greece Mr. Vasilis Papioannou, Their Eminences Metropolitans Makarios of Kenya, Timotheos of Vostron, Dimitrios of Irinopolis and Chrysostomos of Cyreneia, Their Graces Nicholas Bishop of Amathous and Nektarios of Arsinoe, the Chairman of the Office Bearers Theodoros Panagopoulos, Parliamentarians, Mayors, Municipal Councilors, the Clergy of the Holy Metropolis of Limassol, the family of the late Patriarch and many friends of the Missions and of the Patriarchate.