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BULGARIA: THE RUSSIAN CHURCH WILL REOPEN AND WILL HAVE BULGARIAN PRIESTS TAKING OVER THE SERVICES

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Patriarch Neophyte has appointed priests from Sofia who will take over the usual services in the Church of St. Nicholas the Miracle-Maker, known as the Russian Church. This was announced by the Holy Synod.

"By his order of today, 25.09.2023, His Holiness the Bulgarian Patriarch Neophyte, in exercise of his powers as the Metropolitan of Sofia, in whose diocese is located the church 'the Miracle-Maker', personally appointed priests from Sofia who will take care of of the temple, performing the usual services. The Holy Metropolitan of Sofia guarantees that no part of the property of the church will be destroyed or damaged. As before, the faithful will be able to bow before the relics of Saint Seraphim of Sofia and beg for his gracious help and support.

The action of His Holiness is dictated by care for the faithful, preservation of good order in the church and should be understood only in its spiritual aspect. It does not affect the real or other rights of anyone as guaranteed to them by secular laws.

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