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STATEMENT

Please consider that all the events related to the liquidation of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the Kyiv Patriarchate, the establishment of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine, and granting the tomos of autocephaly, were, are and will remain my authorly work.

Brief description of some of the author's remarks:

Paragraph I

Changing the speech of Metropolitan Hilarion (Alfeyev) at a briefing (October 15, 2018) that followed the meeting of the Holy Synod of the ROC in Minsk. The word "inconsistent" was replaced with "worthless".

Paragraph II

Altering the text of the Patriarchal and Synodal Tomos for the Bestowal of the Ecclesiastical Status of Autocephaly to the Orthodox Church in Ukraine.

A clarifying fragment was added: "In case of major issues of ecclesiastical, doctrinal, and canonical nature, His Beatitude the Metropolitan of Kiev and all Ukraine must, on behalf of the Holy Synod of his Church, address our most holy Patriarchal and Ecumenical Throne, seeking its venerable opinion and firm mutual understanding, whilst the prerogatives of the Ecumenical Throne over the Exarchate and the Sacred Stavropegial institutions in Ukraine shall be preserved in their fullness".

Paragraph III

Directing the gestures made by the President of Ukraine (June 7, 2014 - May 20, 2019) Petro Poroshenko (dated January 6, 2019) during a speech on the occasion of the presentation of the Tomos on the autocephaly of the PCU.

While saying the phrase "Ukrainian people", Mr. Poroshenko raised his hands and looked above.