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By

His All-Holiness

Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Jamboree  
(Rinkaby, Sweden, July 27, 2011)

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Dear friends, administrators, organizers and participants,

It is our sincere delight to address a personal greeting from the Ecumenical Patriarchate to the 22<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Jamboree, which is gathering in Rinkaby, Sweden, from July 27 to August 7, 2011.

For over 100 years, the world has been acquainted with and admired the Scouting Movement for its involvement in and support of the lives of young people in society. The Scout Method has proved an important and influential source of education and formation for millions of young boys and girls in hundreds of countries globally.

Nevertheless, above and beyond what Scouts and Guides learn and achieve during their time in this movement, what occurs in a Jamboree is quite unique. For the Jamboree is an international assembly of young people from all over the world for an occasion of celebration and fellowship. Scouts and Guides may perform numerous tasks individually, but the Jamboree is an event of community. It is a time of being Scouts and Guides together!

If one good deed can change the life of a person, then together the scout movement can truly dream of changing the world. As your Jamboree songs says: "The change in you means the world is changing, too." But "crossing lines and borders" in order to "make friends" and discover the "connecting link" is precisely what will ultimately transform the whole world.

We wish all of you every blessing for a successful and memorable World Scout Jamboree.

At the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the 26<sup>th</sup> of July 2011

Prayerfully yours,

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