

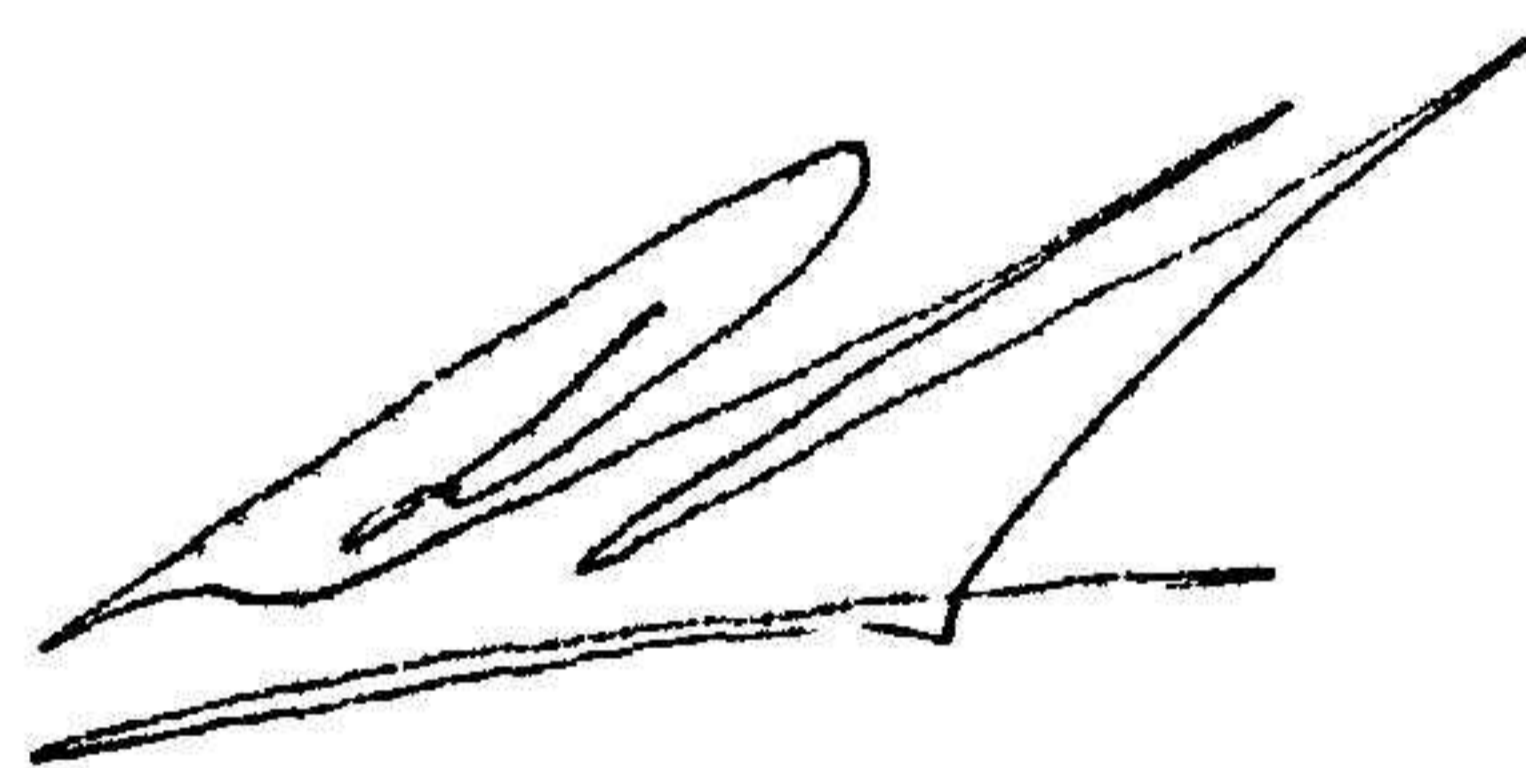
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письма на имя Президента Российской Федерации Б.Н.Ельцина  
от Дворак-Бизель-Дворовецки С.К. и Уинзора Д. (США)

Представители Независимого Греческого Ордена Святого Денниса (Saint Dennis of Zante) поздравляют Б.Н.Ельцина с переизбранием на пост Президента Российской Федерации и с вступлением на эту должность. Высоко оценивают его деятельность, сообщают, что в будущем году они хотели бы приехать в Россию для того, чтобы наградить Б.Н.Ельцина за его достижения Большим Крестом "этого старинного рыцарского православного Ордена" и для того, чтобы открыть в России монастырь.

Приложение: <sup>1</sup> 5 экземпляров проспекта, в котором кратко излагается история Ордена.

Составил:



М.Рябцев

*Б.Н.Ельцин*  
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# THE SOVEREIGN GREEK ORDER OF SAINT DENNIS OF ZANTE

His Serene Highness SBIGNEUS CASIMIR, Prince Grand Master  
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August 9, 1996

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His Excellency, Boris Yeltsin  
President of Russia  
Kremlim Palace  
Moscow, Russia

Most Distinguish Excellency:

On behalf of the most ancient Christian Orthodox Order of Saint Dennis of Zante, we would like to congratulate you, Your Excellency on the occasion of your re-election and inauguration as President of Russia. You have guided your great country through difficult times.

Your personal achievement in this matter is unquestionable. Your effort to build bridges within your country and with other countries are a monumental task. We are praying that under your great leadership as well as the leadership of your successors, that the path to permanent peace on earth will be found.

Next year we would like to come to Russia to bestow upon you the Grand Cross of this ancient chivalrous Order of Saint Dennis of Zante for your accomplishments. At that time, we would like to open a grand priory of the Order within Russia.

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Attached is a pamphlet briefly summarizing the history of our Order.

May God have your Excellency in his care and guidance always.

Sincerely;

Sbineus Casimir  
Prince Dworak-Biziel-Dworowiecki

H.E. Baron David Winsor M.D.  
Grand Chief Justice



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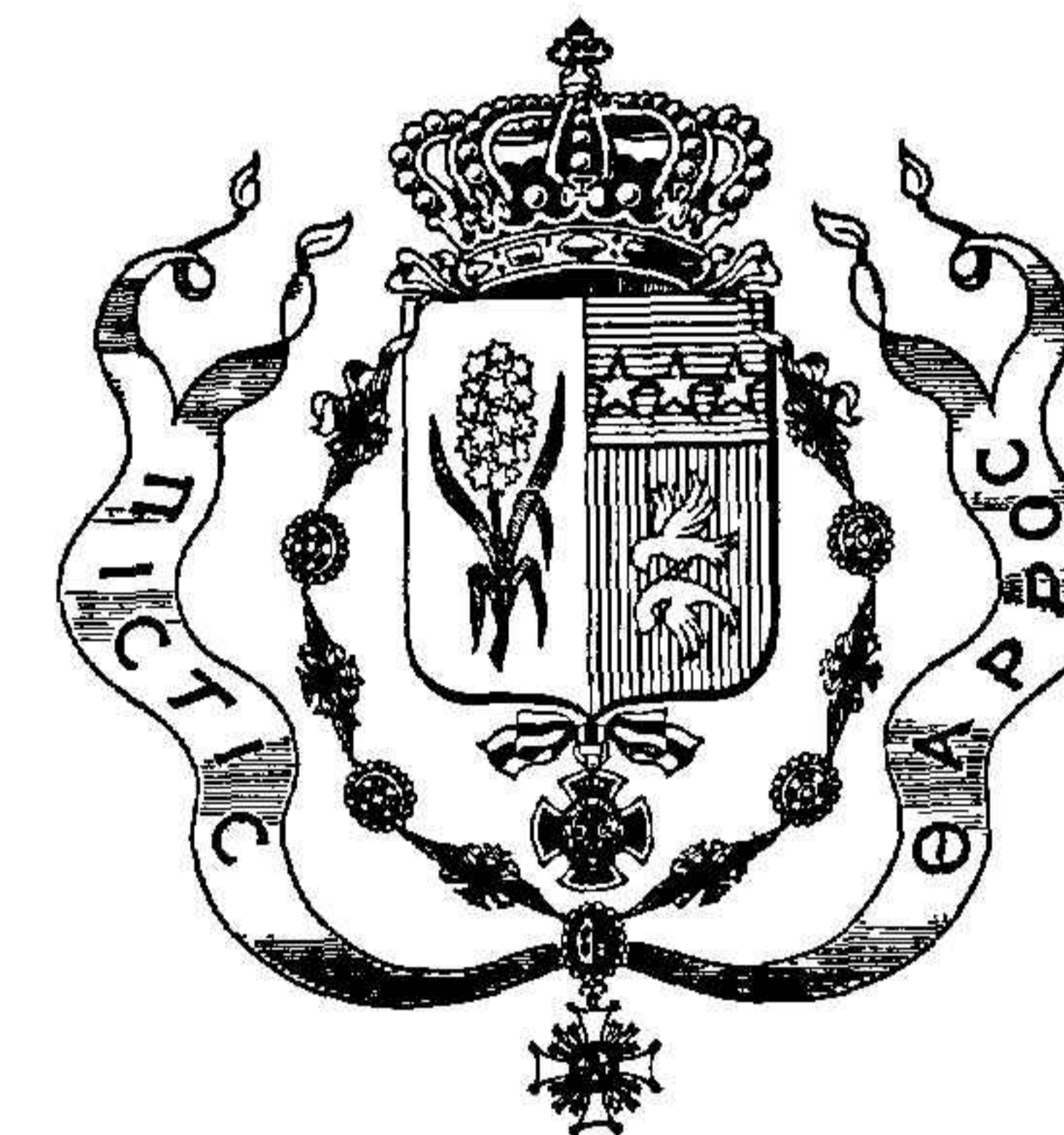
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Prominent past and present members of the Order

- # His All Holiness Bartholomeous I,  
Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople
- # His Holiness Diodoros I, Greek Orthodox  
Patriarch of Jerusalem
- # His Holiness Parthenios III,  
Patriarch and the Pope of the All Africa
- # His Holiness, the Pope Shenouda III
- # H.Em. Archbishop Serafim,  
Primate of Greece
- # H.Em. Panteleimon, Archbishop of Attica
- # H.Em. Archbishop Iakovos,  
Primate of Both Americas
- # H.Em. Richard Cardinal Cushing,  
Archbishop of Boston
- # H.Em. Francis Cardinal Spellman,  
Archbishop of New York
- # The Rt. Rev'd Horace B. Donegan,  
Episcopal Bishop of New York
- # Rev'd Mother Theresa of Calcutta
- # The Most Rev'd and Rt. Hon. Robert The Lord  
Runcie (former Archbishop of Cunterbury)
- # His Beatitude Archbishop Amvrosij
- # H.G. Bishop Mikhail
- # H.M. King Hussein of Jordan
- # H.M. King Constantine of Greece
- # H.R.H. Prince Peter of Greece and Denmark
- # H.I.H. Prince August von Hohenstaufen
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Duke of Saxe-Coburgo-Braganca
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- # H.E. Gen. Stylianos Gontas -  
Prime Minister of Greece
- # H.E. Andreas Papandreou -  
Prime Minister of Greece
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- # President Dwight Eisenhower
- # President John F. Kennedy
- # President Richard M. Nixon
- # President George W. Bush
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THE SOVEREIGN GREEK ORDER  
OF SAINT DENNIS OF ZANTE

The pious and venerable Order of Saint Dennis of Zante has its roots within the ancient Military and Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem which was established in 1096 during the First Crusade.

The order of St. John held sovereign territory within the Holy City and Palestine during the period 1096 - 1291. At the conclusion of this period, the Knights of the Order were expelled from the Holy Land to Cyprus by the followers of Islam. The Order continued to prosper in Cyprus until 1310 when another Muslim invasion resulted in its expulsion to the Island of Rhodes, where it finally found shelter from its enemies. The Knights held Rhodes successfully, building fortresses and establishing themselves as a formidable power in the Mediterranean.

At the beginning of the 16th century, the Ottoman Empire invaded Rhodes. Following a prolonged siege, the Christian Knights were forced to leave the island. It was during this dispersion that decisions were made as to the new destinations for the Order of St. John.

One faction of the Order relocated to Malta; however, another faction followed Michael Vourtzis, Duke of Antioch, to the Island of Zante. In 1524, the Knights received sovereign territory, in perpetuity, in a grant made by the Doge of Venice. This document gave full recognition and independence to the Order to include the power to select succeeding Grand Masters.

In 1547, a child was born to the great noble family of Count Segouros. This child, Dionysios (Dennis), was totally dedicated to service to Our Lord. His life as a devoted monk and, later, Bishop and Archbishop, served as an exemplary example of Christian kindness and humility to all who came to know him. Saint Dennis died in 1624. Seventy-seven years later, in 1703, he was canonized by the Ecumenical Patriarch, Gabriel. Following the canonization of Saint Dennis, the Knights of the Order of St. John on the Island of Zante, moved to change the name of their Order to *The Sovereign Greek Order of Saint Dennis of Zante*.



Saint Dennis of Zante  
1547 – 1624 AD  
Canonized in 1703

During the long history of the Order, the world has changed many times over. The political boundaries of countries have altered and many individuals have sought homes in the *New World*.

Throughout the world, the Knights of St. Dennis have become well known in the many different countries in which they reside. In America, Knights of the Order of St. Dennis fought for the Continental Army, a fact well documented in the Archives of the United States' Congress. Two Greek Knights from renowned noble families of Zante, Count Logothetis and Count Vourtzis, served *as aides de camp* to General Lafayette. It was within these two families that the Grand Mastership of the Order of St. Dennis continued into modern times.

Today, the Knights of the Order of St. Dennis of Zante stand ready to serve those in need. They are actively involved in promoting world peace and have created educational scholarships for children with scientific interests and abilities, raised medical supplies in support of disaster relief operations and have remained devoted to the Holy Church from which they draw their strength and vision of Knightly Service. The Order's goal remains lofty: *to lead the nations of the world into a better future*.

Presently, the Grand Master of the Order is His Serene Highness the Most Eminent, Prince Sbigneus Casimir Dworak Biziel Dworowiecki.