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3. The congratulatory letters of His Holiness to the three hierarchical Sees of the Armenian Church, all the diocesan prelates and church communities, on the occasion of the feast of Holy Resurrection (pp. 8—9).

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8. The sermon given by His Holiness Vasken I. in the Holy Cathedral of St. Etchmiadzin, 19-th February 1989 (pp. 14—17).

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