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## *Translation of the Patmos Times article about Aimone & Olga di Savoia's wedding*

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Amid shining simplicity, in Patmos, on the 27th of September 2008, the wedding of Princess Olga Isabelle, daughter of Prince Michael and Marina Karella, took place, with the chosen of her heart, Prince Aimone, son of Amedeo, Duke of Aosta, who is himself the son of Princess Irene, daughter of King Constantine I. Olga is a great-granddaughter and Aimone great-great-grandson of King George I.

The sacrament took place at the Holy Shrine of the Virgin Saviouress in Patmos Village, by the parish priest Archmandrate Antipas and the reception at the old Municipal school of Patmos Village.

The invitees numbered 70, including Kings, Princes and bluebloods. Among them was the Queen of Spain, Sofia, and the former King Constantine and Queen Anna-Maria. Queen Sofia arrived in Patmos the morning of the 27th of September with a helicopter and she was a guest at the house of Saddrudin Aga Khan (note: actually Saddrudin's widow, Catherine).

Former King Constantine and Queen Anna-Maria were in Patmos from Friday, and were guests at the house of Amin Aga Khan, and Princess Irene, who was a guest at the house of Professor of History Kostas Stamatopoulos. (Sidenote: Professor Stamatopoulos wrote a two volume history of Ta-toi).

The wedding included many of the ancestral customs of our island, for example: 1) The road from the home of Prince Michael and Marina Karella in Patmos village, until the church, was covered with myrtle, 2) For the walk from the house until the church, the bride and her relatives were accompanied by local folk musicians, who gave away the bride to Aimone at the church, 3) Carried by two men in white, was the silver dish with the bridal crowns and the favors, to be used during the service.

The bride wore a gold colored gown and a crown on her head made of hay. The groom wore a black tuxedo, with striped pants and a purple tie.

Most of the invitees wore tuxedos. For the needs of the reception, the simple and elegant hall of the old municipal school of Patmos Village was transformed into a tasteful reception hall decorated with olive branches, bay leaves, and other local fauna. The food was catered by the restaurant Benetos. The VIP guests celebrated with local folk musicians.

The day before, amongst a small group of relatives and VIP guests, a dinner was held at the home of the parents of the bride, which included once again local folk musicians. Among those present were former King Constantine and Queen Anna-Maria, and Princess Irene.

The next day, Sunday the 28th, another gathering took place at Glaros restaurant, in the area of Agriolivadia.

