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To the Participating States

Participating States are urged:

- to return to religious communities the place of worship which were confiscated by public authorities, returning them to the original owner instead allocating to other religious communities.
- to guarantee the conscientious objection not only to the compulsory military service but also in relation to all ethical sensitive questions pertaining family and human life.
- to not force children to a compulsory sexual, religious or ethical teaching which may be not consistent with the convictions of the children's parents and to provide for this case non-discriminatory opt-out possibilities.
- to ban the vilification of religions and adopt practical measures to assure that the media and the public discourse are respectful for religions, their representatives, teaching and symbols.

To the OSCE/ODIHR

The OSCE/ODIHR is called upon to

• avoid to consider violations against majority religions less serious than those against minority ones.

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