

5280 Coalition

OSCE 2015 HUMAN DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Working Session 13: Combating hate crimes and ensuring effective protection against discrimination

Mr./Ms. Moderator, Ladies and Gentlemen, thank you.

I would like to discuss one of the points for the "full and effective implementation of UN HRC

Resolution 16/18" held in Jeddah in June 2015, earlier this year¹. One of the important points:

"The existing legal practices used by different countries to address hate crimes, incitement to hatred, discrimination and violence based on religion must be applied universally to provide equal protection to all targeted groups and individuals."

Although the self-identified Islamic groups assert that they are the primary victims of "hate crimes", statistics show that hate crimes against Jews are ten times larger!²

The "incitement to hatred" is another red flag. Hatred in itself is not a crime. Hatred is defined as an "intense dislike or ill will". Certainly when ISIS beheads children, civilized people would have an "intense dislike" of such actions.

Mr/Ms. Moderator:

Act for America 5280 Coalition recommends that complaints by self-identified Islamic entities concerning "hate crimes and discrimination" be ignored until they themselves uphold the same standards that they demand from the rest of the non-Muslim world.

¹ http://www.oic-oci.org/oicv2/topic/?t_id=10162&ref=4023&lan=en&x_key=Resolution 16/18

http://newsbusters.org/blogs/noel-sheppard/2010/09/06/inconvenient-truth-10-times-more-hate-crimes-against-jews-muslims