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To the Participating States

Participating States are urged to:

- adopt anti-discrimination laws which do not violate the autonomy and self-organization of the religious communities.
- not force children to a compulsory sexual, religious or ethical teaching which may be not consistent with the convictions of the children's parents, providing for this case non-discriminatory opt-out possibilities.
- guarantee the right to wear religious symbols and attire in public space which is encompassed by the freedom of religion or belief.
- 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 the OSCE/ODIHR and to the OSCE/ODIHR Advisory Panel of Experts on Freedom of Religion or Belief

The OSCE/ODIHR and to the OSCE/ODIHR Advisory Panel of Experts on Freedom of Religion or Belief are called upon to:

• assist the participating States in reviewing or drafting legislation pertaining freedom of religion or belief in order to guarantee (a) that the liberty of parents to ensure the religious and moral education of their children in conformity with their own convictions is fully respected and (b) that the participating States provide non-discriminatory opt-out possibilities that would accommodate the wishes of parents.

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