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COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

DRAFTING COMMITTEE

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REPORT OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE, CONSISTING OF THE REPRESENTATIVES
OF FRANCE, LEBANON AND THE UNITED KINGDOM, ON ARTICLE 16
OF THE DRAFT INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON
HUMAN RIGHTS

1. No one shall be denied freedom of thought, belief, conscience and religion, including freedom to hold any religious or other belief, and to change his belief.
 2. No one shall be denied freedom, either alone or in association, to manifest his belief in practice, and in worship and observance, and no one shall be required to do any act which is contrary to such worship and observance.
 3. No one shall be denied freedom, either alone or in association, to give and receive any form of religious teaching, and to endeavour to persuade other persons of the truth of their beliefs. In the case of a minor, the parent or guardian shall be free to determine what religious teaching he shall receive.
 4. The above rights and freedoms shall be subject only to such limitations as are prescribed by law and are necessary to protect public order and health, morals and the fundamental rights and freedoms of others.
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