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## DRAFT INTERNATIONAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Recapitulation of amendments to article 16  
of the draft Declaration (E/800)

(In the chronological order of their submission to the Committee)

Article 16

(Text adopted by the Commission on Human Rights:

Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this right includes freedom to change his religion or belief, and freedom, either alone or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest his religion or belief in teaching, practice, worship and observance.

Amendments:Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (E/800)

Replace the text as adopted by the following:

"Everyone must be guaranteed freedom of thought and freedom to perform religious services in accordance with the laws of the country concerned and the requirements of public morality."

Peru (A/C.3/225)

Delete article 16 and replace it by the following text:

"Every person has the right freely to profess a religious faith, and to express it in thought and in practice, both in public as well as in private."

Cuba (A/C.3/232)

Amend to read as follows:

"Every person has the right freely to profess a religious or philosophical belief. This right includes..."

Saudi Arabia (A/C.3/247)

Delete the second part of this article, which begins with the words:

"this right includes" etc., retaining only the first part which reads:

"Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion".

Sweden (A/C.3/252)

In order to protect individuals, who have religious beliefs, different from the officially acknowledged religion, or who have no religious belief whatever, against manifestations of religious fanaticism, it is proposed that the following words be added to the end of this article after "...worship and observance":

"provided that this does not interfere unduly with the personal liberty of anybody else."