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Countering discrimination based on religion and protecting freedom of religion or belief in Europe

Amendment¹ No. 1

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In the draft resolution, after paragraph 11, insert the following paragraph:

"The Assembly is deeply concerned that religion is increasingly being weaponised and used as a tool of propaganda and hybrid warfare. Referring to its Resolution 2540 (2024) 'Alexei Navalny's death and the need to counter Vladimir Putin's totalitarian regime and its war on democracy', the Assembly reiterates its recognition that the Russian Orthodox Church is being used as an instrument of Russian influence and propaganda by the Kremlin regime. It stresses that the hierarchy of the Russian Orthodox Church, led by Patriarch Kirill, functions as an ideological extension of the Kremlin regime and is complicit in war crimes and crimes against humanity committed in the name of the Russian Federation and in the pursuit of the Russkiy Mir ("the Russian World") ideology."

Explanatory note

Self-explanatory

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