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Islam, Islamism and Islamophobia

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1. In drawing up the Council of Europe's work programme and budget, the Committee of Ministers respects the principle of balance between the Organisation's priority activities and the budgetary resources available. This principle of balance also applies in the field of "action to ensure freedom of thought, conscience and religion".
2. In this field, as for all the activities included in the Council of Europe's work programme, the Committee of Ministers draws, in particular, on the work of the relevant steering committees and other competent intergovernmental committees. Where appropriate, in order to develop the Organisation's action, it also takes into consideration the recommendations submitted to it by the Council of Europe's conferences of specialised ministers.
3. With regard to the Honourable Parliamentarian's third question, the Committee of Ministers can only reiterate the terms of its reply to Parliamentary Assembly [Recommendation 1927 \(2010\)](#), which reflect its position on this matter.
4. Where the last question is concerned, the Committee of Ministers does not plan to review the Statute of ECRI.

1. adopted at the 1119th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies (7 September 2011).

