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## A State's right to protect its religious and cultural heritage

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1. The Committee of Ministers agrees that it is for each member State to decide on issues arising in its domestic system, including with regard to the protection of religious and cultural heritage, as long as its obligations in international law, particularly with regard to fundamental rights and freedoms, are respected.

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1. Adopted at the 1194th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies (12 March 2014).

