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**OIC Draft Resolution  
Combating Defamation of Religions**

**Final revisions**

**PP16.** Deeply alarmed at the rising trend towards discrimination based on religion and faith, including in some national policies and laws that stigmatize groups of people belonging to certain religions and faiths under a variety of pretexts relating to security and illegal immigration, and noting that the increased intellectual and media discourse is among the factors exacerbating such discrimination,

**OP9.** Emphasizes that everyone has the right to freedom of expression which should be exercised with responsibilities and may therefore be subject to limitations as provided by law and necessary for respect of the rights or reputations of others, protection of national security or of public order, public health or morals and respect for religion and belief.

**OP10.** Urges States to take resolute action to prohibit the dissemination of racist and xenophobic ideas and material aimed at any religion or its followers that constitute incitement to discrimination, hostility or violence.