

Statement

The Egyptian Coalition for Electoral Awareness and Democracy Support

Forum of minorities - the seventh session

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The Minority Forum is being held this year in difficult circumstances in the Middle East, with violent crimes against religious and ethnic minorities growing, Branching of terrorist organizations that intentionally targeting minorities, reckoning of political positions with some groups, and the spreading of chaos and violence throughout the Middle East, paving the way for a Dark future unless measures are taken to stop the displacement of minorities from the countries of the East, and attempts by some to free the Middle East from its Christians, in an inhumane crime, history will stop a lot at it .

Following Egypt's past three years, by overthrowing political tyranny on January 25, 2011, and the overthrow of religious tyranny on June 30, 2013, it is time to tell Egyptians a better future, after the adoption of a new constitution that respects human rights and promotes public freedoms, The election of a president with a large and unusual voting rate on the previous presidential elections and preparing for the election of a parliament in the coming months that must adopt a package of legislation and decisions necessary to support an atmosphere that promotes human rights and public freedoms, with a clear change in the cultural system; In order to consolidate the foundations of a modern and national constitutional state >

We recommend through the sessions of this forum the importance of governments commit to prosecute the perpetrators of sectarian crimes, and trial them, and not rely on the customary Conciliation sessions, In all sectarian crimes no one was brought to justice and trial , and this is due to insufficient evidence against those arrested, It should not be treated with customary Conciliation sessions that make the offender and the victim equal, but by bringing the aggressors and instigators whatever they are to justice, the importance of passing the "church building law" as soon as possible, the personal status law of Christians and other laws which the Copts consider to be the most controversial issues. The new Parliament has to grant these laws a priority in their discussion and approval, having been a source of concern to the Coptic masses in previous decades.

It is also necessary to recommend an end to the kidnapping of Christians in Rural Egypt and the request royalties of their families, especially with the recurrence of this problem, and the failure of the security services to put an end to it, especially as the depletion of funds Copts and the spread of these crimes, especially in Rural Egypt raises many questions, As well as stopping the religious debate, including insulting, malice, slander and insult, in all means of media and enabling Media Charter of Honor, And to keep the media away from the issues of instigation, and focus on enlightenment and combating extremist ideas in society.

The Ministry of Education should also be called upon to develop educational curricula on a continuous basis, revising the curricula of information on violence and rejection of the other, and continuing cooperation with civil society organizations to address extremist ideas in curricula and schools and to conduct tests for

teachers before their appointment; In order to bring students up well and effectively to respect the concepts of human rights, citizenship and equal opportunities.