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ADVANCING HUMAN RIGHTS
Proposal

OLIVA INTERNATIONAL, LLC

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FOUNDER + PRINCIPAL

PEACE IS POSSIBLE

WASHINGTON, DC
NEW YORK, NY

Our Work



Profile

Oliva International, LLC leverages over 15 years of international development and government relations expertise to improve the lives of the globally oppressed through strategic advocacy, innovative projects and bold multidisciplinary networks.



Strategy

Oliva International, LLC addresses tough human rights issues through wholistic strategy development, effective government and intergovernmental relations, critical stakeholder engagement and proven multi-media campaigns to aid our clients in developing pluralistic resilient communities where freedom for the persecuted and marginalized becomes reality.



About

VISION

OLIVA INTERNATIONAL, LLC BELIEVES PEACE IS POSSIBLE. WE PARTNER WITH CLIENTS WHO ARE SEEKING TO ADVANCE GLOBAL HUMAN FLOURISHING AND DEMOCRACY LEADING TO FREEDOM FOR PERSECUTED AND OPPRESSED POPULATIONS BY ADVANCING HUMAN RIGHTS AND BUILDING THRIVING PLURALISTIC RESILIENT COMMUNITIES.

Founder & Principal

Dr. Christine M. Sequenzia, MDIV

is an experienced government relations and biblical justice professional, whom successfully transitioned her political acumen and passion for the oppressed into opportunities with the International Justice Mission, the National Association of Evangelicals and International Religious Freedom (IRF) Roundtable. She is a fierce advocate, impassioned speaker, and fervent friend of the exploited and marginalized.

She has traveled to over 15 countries, including to serve refugees in the MENA region and sex trafficking survivors in Central America. She finds joy in serving the oppressed by galvanizing multifaith and multidisciplinary teams toward strategic domestic and foreign diplomacy. Currently, Dr. Sequenzia serves as the co-chair of the IRF Campaign to Eliminate Blasphemy and Apostasy Laws.

Dr. Sequenzia has spent over 15yrs working and writing for members of the U.S. Congress, international non-profit organizations and private publications. Dr. Sequenzia has been profiled in The Hill, CQ Today, CQ Weekly, Politico, Christian Broadcast Network and the InterPress Service United Nations Bureau.

She received both a Doctor of Ministry and Master of Divinity emphasizing international development from Fuller Theological Seminary, following the completion of Cornell University's High Performance Leadership Program and earning a Bachelor of Science from Texas A&M University.



IRF Project spotlight



LUXEMBOURG UN MISSION



SUFI SHEIKH SHAMSUDDIN



IRF SUMMIT



UN AMB. PIERIS OF SRI LANKA

IRF CAMPAIGN TO ELIMINATE BLASPHEMY & APOSTASY LAWS



UNITED NATIONS

Advocated to embed *freedom of religion or belief* language and repeal of the death penalty for blasphemy and apostasy in two UNGA third committee on human rights resolutions : a) moratorium on the death penalty b) resolution on extrajudicial killings



UNITED STATES CONGRESS

Worked alongside US Senate and House members to advance international religious freedom in war-torn authoritarian regimes through supporting appropriations funding for US Agency for International Development (USAID) projects, maintaining funding for the US Department of State Office of International Religious Freedom (USCIRF), and imposing sanctions on Turkey.



MEDIA

Appeared on the CBN Global Lane show to discuss the state of international blasphemy laws and international religious freedom, including adding Nigeria back to the US Department of State Countries of Particular Concern list. Published two IPS News Op-Eds calling for 11 Organization of Islamic Member States to repeal the death penalty for blasphemy and apostasy through the support of two UNGA resolutions.

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IRF Project spotlight



TIMELINE

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B+A LAWS WEBINAR

29 March 2022

IRF Campaign Webinar : Current State of Global Blasphemy + Apostasy Laws | Speakers: US State Department Ambassador At Large for IRF Rashad Hussain, Chairman Jamie Raskin (D-MD), Dr. Janet Buckingham of WEA, Dr. Christine Sequenzia of NAE, Survivor Cheick Mkhaitir

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SUMMIT SIDE EVENT

29 July 2022

IRF Summit Civil Society Congress Statement and Breakout Session Raising specific cases in Nigeria and Pakistan | Speakers: Dr. Gloria Puldu, Survivor Mairiam Ibrahim, USCIRF Commissioner David Curry, Kurdish Ministry of Endowments Religious Coexistence Director Amir Othman Mawlud

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UNGA BRIEFING

16 September 2022

International Religious Freedom Press Briefing hosted by Multifaith Delegation | Covered United Nations General Assembly votes + conducted visits to Saudi Arabia, Australia, Canada, Sri Lanka, Nigeria, Egypt, and Luxembourg mission offices advocating for repeal of the death penalty for blasphemy or apostasy.

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INTERNATIONAL PRESS

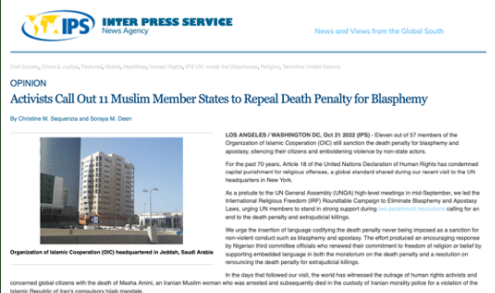
15 December 2022

TV and Print Media | IPS UN Bureau Op-Ed *Multi-Faith Team Urges Repeal of Blasphemy Laws*, CBN Global Lane Interview *Persecuted Religious Groups and Blasphemy Laws*, and IPS UN Bureau Op-Ed *Activists Call Out 11 Muslim Member States*

IRF Project

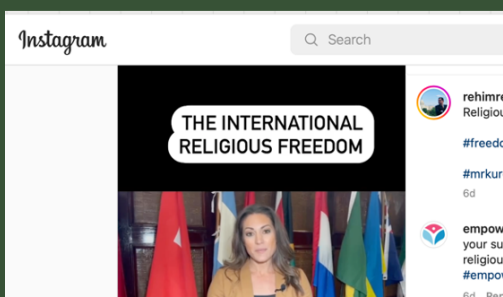
impact report

26 COUNTRIES
AND 40 FAITH TRADITIONS AT
IRF CIVIL SOCIETY STATEMENT



GLOBAL OP-ED PUBLICATION WITH
20K READERSHIP

US STATE DEPT
CONGRESSIONAL, AND SURVIVOR
WEBINAR SPEAKERS



KURDISH RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES MEDIA
23K VIEWERSHIP

IRF Project

impact report

UNGA BRIEFING

WITH MULTIFAITH ENGAGEMENT



Promote International Religious Freedom

Promoting freedom of religion and conscience throughout the world protects a fundamental human right, but also acts as a source of stability in countries. As evangelicals who are called to love God and love our neighbors (Mark 12:30-31), we should urge regimes that are severe persecutors of religious belief to implement religious freedoms while considering the needs of emerging democracies in their implementation of freedom of religion.

SIGN

UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

190 SIGNATURES

EMBEDDED TEXT

TWO UN RESOLUTIONS WITH
AMBASSADOR SUPPORT

UNGA RESOLUTION PROPOSAL

TO EMBED LANGUAGE CALLING FOR
THE REPEAL OF THE DEATH PENALTY
FOR APOSTASY AND BLASPHEMY

October 26, 2022

Dear Senator Rubio,

We write as an informal group of 71 organizations and individuals who are scholars, religious and secular leaders, human rights advocates, and practitioners to express our gratitude for your vote to the reauthorize the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) and to encourage your support for USCIRF during the appropriations process.

We strongly urge you to maintain the current funding for USCIRF at \$4.5 million for FY 23 and to come to a bipartisan agreement on the appropriations language process so the commission can effectively continue its designated mission of advancing the freedom of religion or belief internationally.

From our various experiences, we've seen the Commission play a vital role as a pillar of U.S. foreign policy infrastructure by reporting on those around the world who suffer for their beliefs, conscience, or religion. Robust reporting products, advocating for prisoners of conscience, and resources such as prisoner lists are essential tools used often by civil society to advance this fundamental human right, which is a foreign policy priority of the United States as defined by Congress in the [International Religious Freedom Act of 1998](#).

WHITE HOUSE

LETTER ON TURKISH SANCTIONS
DUE TO NE SYRIA BOMBING

RETAINER PROPOSAL

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2022

SCOPE OF WORK

Consultant (OLIVA) is able to represent the Client within the US Congress, the United Nations and global news media on human rights, religious freedom and international justice systems stabilization. Services shall include, but shall not be limited to (i) assisting and advising the Client in developing strategy; (ii) participating in and representing the Client at meetings and hearings and with other potential stakeholders; (iii) monitoring and reviewing legislation and other actions proposed and evaluating and advising the Client on the potential impact on the Client's interests and advising the Client regarding same; and (iv) advising and assisting the Client on strategies to pass, amend or defeat legislation or address other proposed governmental action.

POTENTIAL DELIVERABLES

- **UNITED STATES LEGISLATIVE ENGAGEMENT** | Engage in bicameral congressional leadership and committee member dialogue, bill drafting, issue tracking, cosponsorship advocacy, committee hearing testimony and appropriations requests
- **UNITED NATIONS POLICY ADVANCEMENT** | Engage member states to include relevant committee action, language proposal, and nation state sponsored issue briefings
- **ADVOCACY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT** | Develop of issue specific resources to be used during advocacy and mobilization of constituent base
- **STRATEGIC MEDIA PLACEMENT** | Place issue related op-eds, organization branded press releases, News media appearances, podcast conversations, and social strategy
- **STAKEHOLDER NETWORK MOBILIZATION** | Grow a coalition of invested stakeholders who are poised to mobilize on relevant congressional, global and current event topics

TERMS

Proposed terms include a minimum 12 month retainer to be paid monthly with the addition of travel expenses to be paid out of specific travel retainer, including but not limited to meals, transportation, accommodations, printing, administrative resources, registration needs, and an agreed per diem. Compensation negotiable based on scope of work totality and projects specifications.