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RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AS A GLOBAL PROBLEM

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PROGRAM

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A seminar sponsored by
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Address and time
Thursday, February 15th
USC University Club, 705 W 34th St, Los Angeles, CA 90089.
1:00-2:00pm Buffet lunch – USC University Club Patio
2:00-6:00pm Seminar – USC Carnegie Room

Welcome and introduction
Rev. Dr. Cecil "Chip" Murray
Senior Fellow of the Center for Religion and Civic Culture
Chairs of the USC Cecil Murray Center for Community Engagement

“Cults,” Media and Religious Liberty in France
Bernadette RIGAL-CELLARD
University of Bordeaux Montaigne

“Spiritual Security” and Religious Liberty in Central/Eastern Europe: The Church of Scientology in Russia and Hungary
Massimo INTROVIGNE
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Religious Liberty Issues in Mexico
Jorge LEE GALINDO
President of the Commission for Religious Freedom and Equality

Religion-Based Refugee Claims: A Question of Denial
Rosita ŠORYTĖ
ORLIR (International Observatory of Religious Liberty of Refugees)
**USC SEMINAR DISCUSSANTS**

Bishop Juan Carlos Mendez  
President and Executive Director  Churches In Action

Dr. Najuma Smith-Pollard  
Program Manager of the USC Cecil Murray Center for Community Engagement

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Minister Abner Nicolás Menchaca  
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Prof. Nirinjan Khalsa  
Commissioner on the City of Los Angeles Human Relations Commission, Executive Director of the California Sikh Council

Mr. Patrick Q. Mason  
Dean of the School of Arts and Humanities at Claremont Graduate University

Mr. Mahomed Khan  
Former Director of Interfaith and Outreach at the King Fahad Mosque, Culver City  
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Mr. Randy Dobbs  
Regional Bahá’í Council of the State of California and Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá’ís of Los Angeles
Mr. Alan Reinach  
Executive Director of the Church State Council of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Western States

Sister Amber Wu  
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Vice-President, Church of Scientology of Los Angeles

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Humanitarian Programs Director, Church of Scientology International

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