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When discussing the draft constitution under development in Afghanistan, Assistant Secretary Rocca said: "In addition to provisions on government structure, the draft constitution establishes protections for human rights. It provides for basic rights and freedoms and specifically cites Afghanistan's obligation to abide by international human rights treaties. The draft also recognizes the important role of Islam in Afghanistan without prohibiting the practice of other religions."