

May 2, 2002: Commission to Release Third Annual Report and Recommendations at Press Conference

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The U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, a federal agency advising the Administration and Congress, will publicly release its third Annual Report, containing policy recommendations to the President, Secretary of State, and Congress, at a press conference Monday, May 6. The Commission will also issue country reports and recommendations on China, Indonesia, North Korea, Sudan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. The Annual Report addresses religious freedom issues in more than 20 countries and also contains a critique of the State Department's Annual Report on International Religious Freedom and its implementation of the International Religious Freedom Act. Commissioners will discuss highlights of the reports and recommendations and take questions from the media. Who: U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom What: Press conference, third Annual Report When: Monday, May 6, 2002, 2:30 p.m. Where: National Press Club, Holeman Lounge, 13th Floor Copies of the Annual Report and individual country reports will be available at the press conference and will also be posted on the Commission Web site at www.uscirf.gov. They can also be obtained by contacting the Communications department at (202) 523-3240. Interviews with Commissioners may be arranged by contacting Lawrence J. Goodrich, Director of Communications, at (202) 523-3240, ext. 27.

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