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This year, for the first time, Egypt was named as a country of particular concern – a label given to the world's worst violators of religious freedom – by the **U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom**

. The U.S. body called out Egypt for “systemic, ongoing, egregious violations of religious freedom” and cited the January extremist bombing of a Coptic church that killed 23 people.

USCIRF Chair Leonard Leo criticized the Egyptian government for tolerating the severe violations and further denounced the Obama administration for not taking an active role in religious freedom around the world.