

## THE TANDEM PROJECT

### UNITED NATIONS, HUMAN RIGHTS, FREEDOM OF RELIGION OR BELIEF

*UN NGO in Special Consultative Status with the  
Economic and Social Council of the United Nations*

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR DIALOGUE & COLLABORATION

*The Tandem Project*

[Exchange Views](#)

[Highlights for Discussion](#)

[United Nations History & Education: Religion, Science, Inquiry](#)

*Office of High Commissioner for Human Rights*

General Comment Article 18 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (CCPR)  
[http://www.unhcr.ch/tbs/doc.nsf/\(Symbol\)/9a30112c27d1167cc12563ed004d8f15?Opendocument](http://www.unhcr.ch/tbs/doc.nsf/(Symbol)/9a30112c27d1167cc12563ed004d8f15?Opendocument)

*Introduced by Pakistan on behalf of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) adopted by  
consensus without a vote – Resolution A/HRC/16/18/L.38, Geneva, March 24 2011*

[United Nations Resolution – a Culture of Tolerance & Peace Based on Religion or Belief](#)

*United Nations Resolutions*

[A/RES/67/178; A/RES/67/179](#)

**Combating intolerance, negative stereotyping, stigmatization, discrimination, incitement to violence  
and violence against persons, based on religion or belief**

**Elimination of all forms of intolerance and of discrimination based on religion or belief**

*Recognizes that the open public debate of ideas, as well as interfaith and intercultural dialogue at the  
local, national and international levels can be among the best protections against religious intolerance,  
and can play a positive role in strengthening democracy and combating religious hatred, and convinced  
that a continuing dialogue on these issues can help overcome existing misperceptions.*

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The Tandem Project is a non-governmental organization (NGO) founded in 1986 to build understanding, tolerance, and respect for diversity of religion or belief, and to prevent discrimination in matters relating to freedom of religion or belief. The Tandem Project has sponsored multiple conferences, curricula, reference material and programs on Article 18 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights- Everyone shall have the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion – and the 1981 United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Intolerance and Discrimination Based on Religion or Belief.