"NEAMUL ROMÂNESC" ASSOCIATION

Criminal complaint against Patriarch Daniel - promoter of the murderer Moses

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To: THE PROCUREMENT NEAR THE BACĂU COURT OF APPEALS

MR. ATTORNEY GENERAL

NEAMUL ROMÂNESC Association, with identification data in the header, through legal representative Militaru Vasilică, as president of the Association, formulates this

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

Against the alleged perpetrators Daniel, the Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church, with the name Dan Ilie Ciobotea, and the members of the Holy Synod of the Romanian Orthodox Church, with the correspondence address Patriarchal Administration, Chancellery of the Holy Synod, Alley Dealul Mitropoliei, no. 25, RO – 040163, Bucharest IV, for committing the crime of "publicly promoting racist and xenophobic ideas and conceptions such as ethnically, racially or religiously motivated violence and murder, the superiority of some races and the inferiority of others", provided for and punished by art. 2, letter a, and art. 5 of the Government's Emergency Ordinance no. 31/2002 concerning the prohibition of organisations and symbols of a fascist, racist or xenophobic character, and of the promotion of the cult of persons guilty of crimes against peace and humanity, amended and supplemented by Law 217/2015, published in the Official Gazette of Romania no. 558/27.07.2015.

Reasons for complaint:

I. In fact, the aforementioned have promoted and are publicly promoting texts that incite to religious hatred, have verbally and in writing propagated racist and xenophobic ideas and conceptions such as ethnically, racially or religiously motivated hatred and violence, the superiority of one race and the inferiority of others, incitement to xenophobia. At the same time, the aforementioned promoted and publicly promote people who committed ethnically, racially and religiously motivated murders. These murders reached the dimension of genocide and crimes against humanity as defined today in international law. Thus, the aforementioned guided, blessed and approved the printing and marketing on the territory of Romania of the book entitled the Orthodox Bible from the opening page of which we quote: "THE BIBLE or HOLY SCRIPTURE printed with the approval of the Holy Synod and with the blessing of the Toohappy Father Daniel, Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church".

We will prove the fact that the publication belonging to the ROC cult, indicated above, contains texts that present murders committed with violence, and massacres, going up to the dimension of genocide, carried out by a population that considered itself superior in relation to the other races, treated as inferior races. All the murders that will be exposed in this Criminal Complaint are justified by "ideas and conceptions such as racism, xenophobia and the superiority of one race over others, considered inferior, on ethnic, racial and religious grounds", according to the legislation in force.

At the same time, the members of the Holy Synod annually approve the "Orthodox Christian Calendar", printed and sold on the church market in millions of copies. Criminal biblical characters who are honoured as "Saints" are nominated in this Calendar. Criminal saints benefit, within the

R.O.C. cult, of special services containing prayers dedicated to glorifying their criminal activity. The same saints from the Calendar, with proven criminal activities, are painted on the walls and icons of tens of thousands of Orthodox churches in Romania. Hundreds of Orthodox churches and monasteries have designated as patron, i.e. the protector, a saint who committed a religiously motivated massacre.

Printed newspapers, online newspapers and online pages, i.e. official publications of the Patriarchate of the Romanian Orthodox Church and the Metropolitanate of Moldavia and Bucovina, promote the ideas and conceptions prohibited by the special law in Romania. We will prove how Patriarch Daniel himself publicly promotes, through his sermons, these people with criminal activity and with obvious activities of xenophobia and racism, which are ethnically, racially and religiously motivated. At the end of the Criminal Complaint, the legal grounds regarding the responsibility of the indicated perpetrators are presented as evidence.

The cult named Romanian Orthodox Church has the obligation, according to the provisions of art. 5, paragraph (4) of Law 489/2006 concerning religious freedom and the general regime of cults, "to respect the Constitution and the laws of the country and not to harm public security, order, public health and morals, as well as the fundamental human rights and freedoms", which includes complying with the legal provisions regarding the prohibition of the public promotion of ethnically, racially and religiously motivated racist and xenophobic ideas and conceptions. Being a religious organisation of public utility, all the more it must comply with the laws in force.

The Orthodox Bible, also called the Holy Scripture, is considered by the ROC cult to be a collection of revealed sacred texts, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. In the Bible, numerous direct dialogues with God are presented, which provide for the sacred character of the respective scriptural texts.

To prove the above statements, we will quote from a study manual for students of Orthodox theological seminaries in Romania.

"Dogmatic Theology - Manual for theological seminars", Publishing House of the Biblical and Mission Institute of the Romanian Orthodox Church, 1991, Pr[iest].Prof.Dr. Isidor Todoran and Archd[eacon].Prof.Dr. Ioan Zăgrean, specifies on pages 72 and 73, we quote:

"The Holy Scripture or Bible (from the Greek ßißλion, ßißλia - book, books) is a collection of holy books, written by prophets, apostles and other chosen people, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit; it includes truths of faith, norms of conduct, as well as some historical accounts, which God revealed towards being written, preserved and transmitted to believers, for the purpose of salvation. Since it contains truths revealed by God, it was also called the Word of God.". See page no. 1, Appendix no. 2.

The same cited Manual explains the structure of the Bible: "The Holy Scripture is composed of two parts, namely: the Old Testament and the New Testament. The Old Testament shows us the history of revelation from Adam to Christ and includes 39 canonical or inspired books, to which 13 more books and fragments of books which are non-canonical but good to read, being edifying for the soul, are added...". (Dogmatic Theology – Manual for theological seminars, page 73). See page no. 2, Appendix no. 2.

The quotations in this Criminal Complaint are taken from the first five books of the Old Testament, considered "canonical or inspired".

The theology textbook attributes all the writings of the Old Testament to God. "All Scripture is a work inspired by the Holy Spirit. Although in **the books of the Old Testament** it is not stated anywhere that they are inspired books, it follows from many places that **their authors wrote them according to the command of God**". (Dogmatic Theology – Manual for theological seminars, page 73). See page no. 2, Appendix no. 2.

Evidence that the God of the Old Testament is considered, by the ROC cult, to be the same as God the "Father" of the Holy Trinity.

The Romanian Orthodox Church confesses the God of the Holy Trinity, which also includes God the Father, according to article 1 of the Statute regarding the organisation and operation of the ROC: "The Romanian Orthodox Church is the community of Orthodox Christians (...) who confess God in the Holy Trinity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, based on the Holy Scriptures".

It is well-known theologically that God "the Father" of the Holy Trinity is identified with the God of the Old Testament: "The divinity of the Father, undisputed by any of those who believe, even being heretics, **the Father is generally affirmed as God**, 'the maintainer of everything, the maker of heaven and of the earth, of all things seen and unseen', and thus in all confessions of faith, in worship and in prayers, **as father of all**.". (Dogmatic Theology – Manual for theological seminars, page 128). See page no. 3, Appendix no. 2.

Generally, when the ROC speaks of God, it refers to the person of the Father. "Regarding the names given to the divine Persons: **the name of God is assigned to the Father**, of Lord - to the Son, and of Spirit - to the Holy Spirit, without them being thereby separated nor mixed, but of the same being and each of them being able to be called God, Lord and Spirit.". (Dogmatic Theology – Manual for theological seminars, page 132). See page no. 4, Appendix no. 2.

Orthodox Christians are taught that God in the Holy Trinity, through his Son Jesus Christ, forbids people, under the title of divine command, any crime or physical aggression against fellow human beings. At the same time, the commandment "Thou shalt not kill" from the Decalogue or the Tablets of the Law is attributed to God the "Father". But according to the Orthodox Holy Scripture, the same God of the Holy Trinity, frequently referred to as the "God of Israel" and considered "Father" by Orthodox dogma, commands and blesses religious mass murders. God "the Father" is presented in the Bible as a vengeful, merciless God, thirsty for human blood, killer of innocent children and mothers. What we have here is a dichotomous ecclesiology and a subliminal religious manipulation that misleads the orthodox believers. They are taught that God once categorically commands "Thou shalt not kill" and condemns every kind of murder, regardless of its motive, and then in other situations, the same God accepts murder and even personally commands it. A God of love towards all people cannot be a murderous God at the same time.

What's aggravating is the fact that all the Orthodox clerics, who operate under the strict control of the Synod hierarchs, tacitly approve of religiously motivated murder and believe that God was doing an act of divine justice when these murders were committed by people in His name. Orthodox hierarchs, most of them with university doctorates and professors at theological faculties, invariably motivate: "We cannot deny what God has decided. This is what the Holy Church teaches us because it says so in the Holy Scriptures." And, in the same way, all theologians, future clerics, are educated in the seminaries and faculties of Orthodox theology throughout the country. But no one presented a certificate signed by God, through which He would authenticate the crimes attributed to Him in the Old Testament.

We will prove the fact that biblical characters like Moses and Elijah, who committed ethnically and religiously motivated mass murders, are glorified and proclaimed "Holy Prophet Moses" and "Holy Prophet Elijah the Thesbite" by the Christian cult named Romanian Orthodox Church.

The Orthodox Bible explicitly accredits the idea, fascist according to the laws in force, that a people "chosen by the God of Israel" had the right to kill all other peoples that stood in their way, to rob and occupy territories, in order to ensure their supremacy all over the earth. God, presented as incoherent in his decision-making, violating his own divine commands, ordered the killing of those who refused to recognize his supremacy and the commands presented through his "chosen" on earth. And those persons, "chosen" by God and recognized as "saints" by the ROC cult, executed the religious killings.

"Dogmatic Theology - Manual for theological seminars" presents to Romanian students, in accordance with the indicated biblical texts, precisely the idea of the superiority of a people called in a xenophobic and racist way "the chosen people", on page 208, we quote: "The divine decision of choosing a people descended from the Chaldean Abram, as a result of the increase in transgressions among people, and of the fall into idolatry, will from now on bring with it the preparation of mankind for salvation on two lines: that of the chosen people and that of the pagan peoples.". See page no. 5, Appendix no. 2.

The statements taught to seminary students are false. The Holy Scripture abounds in "lawlessness" and "falls into idolatry" produced by the very people called "chosen", originating from the Chaldean Abram. In a xenophobic and racist way, the geto-dacian people of Romanians' ancestors are called "pagan people" by the ROC cult because they were not "chosen people".

The texts below discriminatorily support the existence of a superior race, called in the Orthodox Bible the Semitic race of Hebrews or Israelites, who must not "defile" themselves by having sexual relations with women belonging to other races, of non-Hebrews, considered "inferior" . Also, the texts present clear cases of religiously motivated racism and xenophobia.

Reading the Bible is part of the religious education of minors, being recommended by religion teachers in Romanian schools and high schools, without an express warning about violence and murders in passages such as those that will be cited. Romanian children are inoculated with the fascist idea of the existence of a "chosen" Hebrew people, a fact also recognized by the majority of the Romanian population. These texts are justified to the students as the demonstration of God's Omnipotence and as a form of divine pedagogy regarding the punishment of those who disobey Him. Also, the concept that the representatives of the "chosen people" have the right to do anything, including murders, in the name of God, is explicitly conveyed.

There is always a danger that one of the biblical texts presented below will be read by children, teenagers or adults who will understand that God can at any time command "chosen" people to commit murders and violence against those who would dare to deny His existence. By invoking such texts, declared holy, there is always the risk that certain exalted religious persons will copy the biblical model and kill their fellows on the grounds that "God commanded them, as Moses or Elijah were commanded.". Also, there is a public danger of some organisations emerging, which, following the example of the God of the Old Testament, promote incitement to hatred, xenophobia, racism, the superiority of one race on religious grounds and the inferiority of others, as well as religious discrimination. All these facts can always be justified using the model of violence and "holy" crimes presented in Holy Scripture.

Therefore, it is inadmissible that examples of sanctity of some criminals, as well as xenophobic and criminal acts of the type described below, continue to be presented to Romanian Orthodox believers

in 2018. Since the Romanian law prohibits the promotion of xenophobic and racist ideas and conceptions, and at the same time condemns the promotion of the ideology of superiority of certain races on ethnic or religious grounds, it is our obligation to submit to the attention of judicial bodies the sources of primary religious education carried out on the basis of scriptural texts with such explicit illegal ideas and conceptions. At the same time, the religious cult called the Orthodox Church, which was declared by law to be a public utility institution, mentioned "The Romanian Orthodox Church is the church of the Romanian Nation" in art. 5, paragraph 2 of the Statute regarding the organisation and operation of the ROC.

• The Neamul Românesc Association has among its objectives, we quote: "the creation of a healthy moral and religious climate, in which all Romanian citizens can coexist and work peacefully; the realisation by religious leaders and clergy in Romania, that the interest of the Nation is above the interests of a religious cult or religious group; the realisation by these religious leaders that God is One, regardless of the dogmatic and canonical way in which they interpret Him; the purpose of cults must be the peace and love of individuals from a Nation, and by no means their enmity and division in the name of God". See pages no. 3-4, Appendix no. 1.

In these conditions, the Neamul Românesc Association considers itself directly harmed by the apology of xenophobic, racist and religious crimes, made public by the hierarchs of the R.O.C. religious cult. Especially since this religious cult represents the majority and is recognized, by law, as a legal entity of public utility (according to art.8, paragraph 1 of Law 459/2006).

At the same time, we constitute a civil party in the criminal lawsuit, going to establish the amount of material compensation according to the expenses occasioned by the respective lawsuit. Ethnically and religiously motivated violence and murder are frequently present in the Old Testament, but we will limit ourselves to a few relevant examples as evidence.

A. Evidence regarding the promotion of xenophobic and racist ideas and conceptions in the texts of the Orthodox Bible

The following texts explicitly promote the ideology concerning the superiority of one people, called "holy" and "chosen", over all other peoples and nations of the earth, considered inferior because they were unbelieving in relation to the "true faith". A terrorist, merciless and vengeful God is presented, who "spreads fear and dread over the peoples" of the earth, "under the whole heaven", in favor of the one "chosen people out of all the nations" and "out of all the peoples of the earth". This "chosen people" is designated in the Orthodox Bible as the "Hebrew people" or the "Israelite people". The racist and xenophobic conception of dividing all humanity between "Hebrews", "chosen people", and "non-Hebrews", including all peoples and nations other than Hebrews, persists to this day. This racial conception of dividing people between "Jews" and "non-Jews" is mentioned in art. 2, letter (a) of Law 157/2018 on some measures to prevent and combat anti-Semitism. We will present some relevant biblical texts in this regard.

"If thou shalt carefully listen to his voice, and do all that I command thou, and if thou shalt keep My covenant, **ye shall be My chosen people from all the nations**, because the whole earth is Mine, and ye shall be My royal priesthood and **holy nation**. Say these words to the sons of Israel: If ye listen attentively to the voice of My angel and do all that I tell you, I will be an enemy to thine enemies and to thine adversaries I will be an adversary." (Exodus 23, 22), page 93 attached Bible.

"From this day **I** shall begin to spread fear and terror over the peoples, before thee, under the whole sky; those who hear of thee shall tremble and be terrified at thee." (Deuteronomy 2, 25), page 196 attached Bible.

"For thou art the holy people unto the Lord thy God and the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be **His chosen people from all the peoples upon the earth.**". (Deuteronomy 7, 6), page 202 attached Bible.

"No one shall be able to stand before you; the Lord your God shall bring fear and trembling upon all the land before you, that ye shall tread upon, as he hath said unto you." (Deuteronomy 11, 25), page 208 attached Bible.

"If thou, after crossing the Jordan, in the land that the Lord thy God shall give thee, shalt listen to the voice of the Lord thy God and carefully fulfil all His commands that I give thee today, then **the Lord thy God shall set thee above all the peoples of the earth**. (Deuteronomy 28, 1), page 224 attached Bible.

The racist and xenophobic ideas were materialising through the extermination of populations that stood in the way of the "chosen" Hebrew people who had fled from Egypt. The text below publicly promotes the exclusive supremacy of a "chosen people", including financial supremacy, over other peoples, considered inferior. According to the texts considered holy, God had no other concern for a refugee people, in a desert area, without food and water, than the promise of future profitable financial affairs, as well as the assurance of dominion "over many peoples".

"The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand; and **thou shalt lend unto many peoples, and thou shalt not borrow; thou shalt rule over many peoples, but they shall not rule over thee.**". (Deuteronomy, 28; 12), page 224 attached Bible.

This text is complemented by another xenophobic command issued by Moses. The prohibition of the Hebrew people to have a non-Hebrew king of "foreign" descent: "When thou art come unto the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say: I shall set a king over me, like as all the nations that are about me, Then thou shalt set as king over thee the one whom the Lord thy God shall choose: from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee; **thou mayest not set as king over thee a foreigner, who is not among thy brethren**.". (Deuteronomy 17,14-15), page 214 attached Bible.

The testamentary text below incites to religiously motivated murder against all humanity, "from one end of the earth to the other". What's aggravating is that the period of validity for such atrocities is not explicitly stated, so it could be interpreted as still valid today.

"If thy brother, the son of thy father, or the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the woman at thy bosom, or thy friend who is to thee as thine soul, entice thee secretly, saying: Let us go and serve other gods, whom thou hast not known, nor thy fathers; of **the gods of the people who are round about you, nigh unto thee, or far off from thee, from one end of the earth unto the other end of the earth**; Thou shalt not consent unto them, nor hearken unto them; neither shall thine eye spare them, neither shalt thou pity, neither shalt thou conceal them; **But thou shalt kill them; thine hand shall be first upon them to put them to death**, and afterwards the hands of all the people. **Thou shalt kill them with stones until death**, because they have sought to thrust thee away from the Lord thy God, Who brought thee out of the land of Egypt and from the house of bondage.". (Deuteronomy, 13, 6-10), page 210 attached Bible.

The following scriptural texts incite to religiously motivated murder, violence, destruction and robbery. No explicit statements are made in the Bible whether these texts are still valid today, or they are considered expired and illegal.

"If thou shalt hear of one of thy cities, which the Lord thy God giveth thee to dwell there, that unbelieving people from thy own people appeared in it and misled the inhabitants of their city, saying: Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known, Then shalt thou enquire, and ask diligently, and if it be truth, that this abomination is wrought among you, **Thou shalt smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, curse it and all that is therein, and the cattle thereof thou shalt put through the edge of the sword.**". (Deuteronomy 13,12-15), page 210 attached Bible..

"If there be found among you, within any of thy cities which the Lord thy God shall give thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness before the eyes of the Lord thy God, transgressing his covenant, And shall go and begin to serve serve other gods, and worship them, either the sun, or the moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded; And it be told thee, and thou shalt hear it, thou shalt enquire diligently, and if it be true, and this abomination shall have been wrought in Israel, Then **shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, unto thy gates, and shalt kill them with stones**.". (Deuteronomy, 17, 2-5), page 214 attached Bible..

It should be emphasized that this God is considered the Father of the Holy Trinity by the cult of the Romanian Orthodox Church.

B. Evidence regarding Orthodox biblical texts that explicitly expose racial, ethnic, and religious crimes, violence, and robberies.

B.1. THE HOLY PROPHET MOSES – THE LEGISLATOR, SERIAL KILLER OF CHILDREN AND WOMEN

We present a number of seven biblical texts which attest that, in continuous form, Moses killed and ordered mass murders of innocent people, including women and children. The murders exposed in the texts of the Orthodox Bible exceed 100,000 human victims. We specify the fact that the same Moses is proclaimed by the ROC cult as the "Holy Prophet Moses" and is celebrated in the Orthodox calendar on September 4 each year with a "Canon of prayer to the Holy Prophet Moses".

The biblical character Moses is recognized in the religious environment as the man who talked with God on Mount Tabor. He is renowned for bringing the famous "Tablets of the Law" i.e. the Decalogue or the ten commandments, to the people of Israel, who had fled from Egypt. One of the commandments, which God dictated to Moses, was "Thou shalt not kill.". We understand that the divine command was also valid for the biblical character Moses, the intermediary between God and the Israelite people.

From the point of view of Christian law, which forbids and condemns murder of any kind, it is at least bizarre how God the Father would have had to choose a murderer like Moses to advertise Him before the Egyptians and to represent Him before a disoriented Israelite people, refugee in the wilderness. The difficulties experienced by the Israeli refugee people from Egypt are to be pitied, but the criminal actions of their religious leader, and of some tribes loyal to him, cannot be accepted as religious models for the Romanian Christian society of the 21st century. Christian society has evolved in a way that such extremist religious manifestations are prohibited by law.

Moses legitimises his criminal actions by exposing alleged dialogues with an Old Testament God, frequently called "the Lord God of Israel" or "the Lord God of the Hebrews": "The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you." (Exodus 3,13), page 70 attached Bible; "And they shall hearken to thy voice. Then thou shalt come along with the elders of Israel unto Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him: The **Lord God of the Hebrews** hath called us. Now let us go into the

wilderness, three days' journey, to bring sacrifice to our God," (Exodus 3, 18), page 70 attached Bible; "But thou shalt say unto Pharaoh: Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews: Israel is My son, My firstborn." (Exodus 4, 22), page 71 attached Bible; "Then the Lord said unto Moses: Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him: Thus saith **the Lord God of the Hebrews**: Let My people serve Me." (Exodus 9, 1), page 76 attached Bible; "I am the Lord thy God, who have brought thee out of the land of Egypt and out of the house of bondage." (Exodus 20, 2), page 89 attached Bible; "Thus saith the Lord God of Israel (...) slay every man his brother, his companion, and his neighbour." (Exodus 32, 27), page 104 attached Bible; "And the Lord said unto Moses: Take all the heads of the people and hang them on trees for the Lord" (Numbers 25, 4), page 179 attached Bible; "And the Lord spake unto Moses, and said: 'Avenge the sons of Israel against the Midianites' (...) And they struck Midian, as the Lord commanded Moses, and they slew all the males." (Numbers 31, 1,2 and 7), page 185 attached Bible; "When the Lord thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to inherit it, and shall cast out the great nations from before thee (...) seven nations, greater and mightier than thou - And the Lord thy God shall deliver them into thy hands and thou shalt smite them, then thou shalt destroy them, thou shalt make no covenant with them and thou shalt not spare them.". (Deuteronomy 7, 1-2), page 202 attached Bible...

B.1.1 Biblical text no. 1 – Moses assassinated an Egyptian for xenophobic ethnic reasons.

"And after a long time, when he was grown, Moses went out unto the sons if Israel, his brethren, and saw their burdens. On this occasion he saw an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew from among the sons of Israel, one of his brethren; And looking this way and that way, and seeing no one, **he slew the Egyptian** and hid him in the sand." (Exodus 2, 11-12), page 69 attached Bible.

The text considered sacred tells us the episode in which Moses, still in Egypt, kills an Egyptian as punishment for having beaten an Israelite countryman. It is an obvious episode of xenophobia taken to the point of racism: the Egyptian was to be punished with death for touching a member of God of Israel's "chosen" people. This was the gratitude of the Israelite Moses, for the help given by the Egyptians to the tribe of Jacob-Israel, who had been received in the land of Egypt, during a devastating drought. Let us imagine the updating of the biblical lesson for a Romanian who, seeing a fellow Romanian working abroad, would kill the foreign employer who subjects his Romanian fellow to hard labour and ill treatment.

B.1.2 Biblical text no. 2 – Moses ordered the killing of 3,000 (three thousand) Israelites for religious reasons.

"He stood at the entrance of the camp and said: 'Who is on the Lord's side, let him come unto me!' And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him. And Moses said unto them: **Thus saith the Lord God of Israel**: 'Put every man his sword by his side, and going from gate to gate throughout the camp, forward and backward, **slay every man his brother, his companion, and his neighbour**. And the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses.'. **About three thousand men fell of the people that day**." (Exodus 32, 26-28), page 104 attached Bible.

"**Thus the Lord plagued the people**, for the calf which they had made, which Aaron had poured.". (Exodus 32, 35), page 105 attached Bible.

This is the terrible punishment applied by Moses, and attributed to God, when his brother, Aaron, together with the people of Israel, cast a golden calf that they worshipped. Of course Aaron is not killed, although he had cast the calf. Let us update the biblical model through the example of a leader of a Romanian religious cult who would order his followers to kill all Romanians, considered pagans and heretics, who choose to worship another God than the God of the Romanian Orthodox Church.

B.1.3 Biblical text no. 3 – Moses ordered the killing of 24,000 (twenty four thousand) Israelites and Moabites on ethnic and religious grounds. A real human genocide, if we refer to the population numbers of those times.

"Then Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to defile themselves, sinning with the girls of Moab. That they called the people unto the sacrifices of their idols and the people did eat from those sacrifices and bowed down to their gods. Thus Israel joined himself unto Baal-peor, for whom the anger of the Lord was kindled against Israel. And the Lord said unto Moses: "Take all the heads of the people, and hang them up on trees for the Lord before sunset, that the fierce anger of the Lord may be turned away from Israel'. Then Moses said unto the judges of Israel: 'Slay ye every one his men that were joined unto Baal-peor'. But behold, one of the sons of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman, in the sight of Moses and in the sight of all the congregation of the sons of Israel, when they were weeping before the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. Then Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, seeing this, he rose up from among the congregation and, taking his javelin in his hand, he went after the Israelite into the tent and thrust both of them through, the Israelite and the woman, through her belly; and the punishment was stayed from the sons of Israel. Those that died of this punishment were twenty and four thousand." (Numbers, 25,1-9), page 179 attached Bible.

Another xenophobically criminal and religiously racist biblical episode. At the prompting of God, Moses orders the killing of all the Israelites and their partners, girls from Moab, on the grounds that they worshipped the god of the Moabite girls, Baal-Peor. We witness another sacred text accrediting the idea that God directly and explicitly commands criminal acts against people of another race, different from that of the Semitic tribes, led by Moses and faithful to the God of Israel. The pure and innocent love between men and women belonging to two different races, Israelites and Moabites, is presented as "sin" and "filth" and is punished with bloody violence and massacres. We learn from the text, considered sacred by the ROC cult, how all the leaders of the Israelite people "were hanged on trees for the Lord". The purpose was "to turn the fierce anger of the Lord away from Israel". At the same time, all the Moabite girls who made love to their Israelite partners were killed. It is strange that God was not angry with Moses, who was married to two wives, both non-Hebrew: an Ethiopian woman, so a woman of African race, and Zipporah, a woman from the Land of Midian. Also, Moses's father-in-law was a priest who served another god than the God of Israel. So Moses, a Hebrew with both his wives non-Hebrew, dictates the killing of the Hebrews who were consorting with non-Hebrew women.

A cruel and angry God is presented, who had to be appeased by the sacrifice of some people. A human sacrificial act performed for the purpose of a supposed appeasement of a God thirsty for human blood. We witness criminal acts based on xenophobia, racial hatred, ethnically and religiously motivated mass extermination, of extreme cruelty. All atrocities are done at the express command of the God of Israel, in the name of that God and to appease His wrath. Let us try to adapt the scriptural text to the reality of our days. A Romanian leader would order the killing of all his countrymen married to non-Romanian women who are not followers of the Orthodox Christian cult of the majority.

B.1.4 Biblical text no. 4 – Moses ordered the extermination of over 32,000 (thirty-two thousand) men, women and children. The genocide was carried out on racial and religious grounds.

"Then the Lord spake unto Moses, and said: 'Avenge the sons of Israel against the Midianites, and afterward I shall gather thee unto thy people'. And Moses spake unto the people, saying: 'Arm people from among you unto the war, to go against the Midianites and carry out the Lord's vengeance against the Midianites. Of all the tribes of the sons of Israel shall ye send to the war, a

thousand from every tribe'. And they chose out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand from every tribe, i.e. twelve thousand men, armed for the war. These are the ones Moses sent to the war, a thousand of every tribe; and with them he sent to war Phinehas, the son of Eleazar the priest, the son of Aaron; and he had in his hands the holy vessels and the trumpets for shouting. And they smote Midian, as the Lord had commanded Moses, and they slew all the males. Along with their slain fell the Midianite kings: Evi, Rekem, Zur, Hur, and Reba - five Midianite kings - and Balaam, the son of Beor, fell by the sword, together with their slain. And the sons of Israel took the women of the Midianites and their children captive, and all their cattle, all their flocks, and all their goods, they took away as spoil." (Numbers 31, 1-9), pp.185-186 attached Bible.

"Then Moses was wroth with the captains of the host, with the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, who came back from the battle, and Moses said unto them: 'Why have ye saved all the women alive? For they, through the counsel of Balaam, caused the sons of Israel to commit trespass against the word of the Lord, for Peor, for whom there was a punishment upon the congregation of the Lord. **Now kill all the males among the little ones, and all the women that have known man, kill them**. And the women children that have not known a man, keep all of them alive for yourselves.'.". (Numbers 31, 14-17), page 186 attached Bible.

We have all the data of a biblical genocide of an ethnic and religious type. Although the exact number of victims is not specified, the size of the massacre can be deduced from the number of 32,000 virgin women taken prisoners: "Women, who have never known a man, in all, thirty-two thousand souls." (Numbers, 31,35), page 186 attached Bible.

The biblical text is beyond imagination regarding the atrocities committed by the murderer Moses in the name of the God of Israel. God himself is mentioned as the initiator of this massacre in which an entire kingdom of Midian, composed of five tribes, is totally exterminated. The reason is explicitly mentioned: "God's vengeance on the Midianites". At the same time we see the cruelty of the child killer, Moses, who, dissatisfied that Israel's warriors killed only mature men, mercilessly ordered the execution of children and women: "Why have ye saved all the women alive? ... Now kill all the males among the little ones, and all the women that have known man, kill them.". Moses's lack of mercy towards women and children is inexplicable, considering that one of his wives, Zipporah or Tziporah, was the daughter of Jethro, priest of Midian. Moses took refuge in Midian from Egypt, after the assassination of an Egyptian. Moses rewarded the host country of Midian, from the times of persecution, by mass extermination of all the inhabitants. At the head of the twelve thousand Israelites, invaders and murderers, was the Levite Phinehas, the son of Eleazar the priest, who was Moses's nephew. The atrocities committed are presented as religious crimes, since the son of the priest of God "had in his hands the holy vessels". From a theological point of view, this is a true ritual human sacrifice of gigantic proportions. This massacre is the size of a huge holocaust dedicated to the God of Israel, if the number of victims is compared to the size of the population of the earth at that time. The texts relate that everything was passed through fire. The human massacres were accompanied by destruction and looting of great proportions by the Israelites, also on God's command, of course.

"All their cities in their lands and all their villages they burned with fire. They took with them all the spoil and everything they grabbed from man to animal. The slaves, the spoil and the prey they brought unto Moses, unto Eleazar the priest and to the congregation of the sons of Israel, in the camp at the plains of Moab, which are near the Jordan, in front of Jericho. Moses, Eleazar the priest and all the princes of the congregation went forth to meet them without the camp". (Numbers 31, 10-13), page 186 attached Bible.

God himself ordered the division of the spoils of war, from which a part, called the "tribute unto the Lord", went to "Eleazar the priest, for an heave offering to the Lord", and another part was

distributed to the "Levites, who serve at the tabernacle of the Lord". A priest of God received a share of the spoils of war.

"Again the Lord spake unto Moses and said: 'Take the sum of the spoils of war, from man to beast, together with Eleazar the priest and the chiefs of the tribes of the congregation; Then divide the prey into two parts; between the men of war who went out to battle, and between all the congregation. Of the men of war who went out to battle, levy a tribute unto the Lord, one soul of five hundred, of the persons, of the beeves, of the asses, and of the sheep. Take these of their half, and give them unto Eleazar the priest, for an heave offering to the Lord. And of the half due for the sons of Israel, thou shalt take one portion of fifty, of the persons, of the beeves, of the asses, and of the sheep; and give these unto the Levites, who serve at the tabernacle of the Lord'." (Numbers 31, 25 - 30), page 186 attached Bible.

The divine command, to divide the spoils, was followed exactly.

"And Moses and Eleazar the priest did as the Lord commanded Moses. Then booty was found from the rest of the prey which those who had been to war had taken and brought: six hundred thousand and seventy thousand and five thousand sheep; Threescore and twelve thousand beeves; Asses, threescore and one thousand; **Women, who had not known man, thirty and two thousand souls in all**." (Numbers, 31, 31 – 35), page 186 attached Bible.

The stringing of prey in the text contains in itself a racial discrimination. To be noted that in the description of the spoils of war, the animals are presented first and then the surviving virgin women, taken as sex slaves. Animals were more valuable than female slaves. The conception of treating human beings, considered inferior because they did not belong to the "chosen holy people", below animals is a conception of hatred against humanity. Such a conception is found in all the Bibles of the R.O.C. cult. The Israelite warriors atoned for their sins of massacring an entire population by bringing the looted gold as an offering to God. The text below explicitly states: "we brought an offering to the Lord, everything we could acquire from the gold things: chains, bracelets, rings, earrings and salves, for the purification of our souls before the Lord".

"Then near unto Moses came the officers of the host, the captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds, and they said unto Moses: 'Thy servants have taken the sum of the men of war which are under our charge, and there lacketh not one man of us. **And behold, we have therefore brought an oblation for the Lord, what every man hath gotten, of jewels of gold: chains, bracelets, rings, earrings, and salves, to make an atonement for our souls before the Lord'.** And Moses and Eleazar took from them all these jewels of gold. This gold, which was brought as an offering up to the Lord, of the captains of thousands and of hundreds, was sixteen thousand seven hundred and fifty shekels. The men of war have taken spoil, every man for himself. **And Moses and Eleazar took the gold of the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and brought it into the tabernacle of the congregation, for a memorial for the sons of Israel before the Lord.**" (Numbers, 31, 48 - 54), page 187 attached Bible.

What would the application of the biblical model entail in our day. The Romanians to be urged by God, to occupy a foreign country and, destroying all important cities and villages, to kill all the inhabitants of the occupied country, men, women and children.

B.1.5 Biblical text no. 5 - Moses presents the extermination of the children, women and men inhabiting the kingdom of Heshbon and the total destruction of the kingdom's cities. The same God commands the massacres. The result of the "holy" war was a real genocide presented in the Orthodox Bible: "we [...] destroyed all his cities, the men, and the women, and the little ones, and

we left no one alive". As usual, the destruction of the fortresses was followed by a looting of great proportions.

"Then **the Lord said unto me**: 'Behold, I begin to give Sihon the Amorite, the king of Heshbon, and his land before thee; begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his land'. And Sihon, the king of Heshbon, came out against us, he and all his people, to fight at Jahaz. But the Lord our God delivered him before us and we smote him, and his sons, and all his people. At that time we took all his cities **and utterly destroyed all his cities, the men, and the women, and the little ones, and we left no one alive**. Only the cattle, and the spoil of the cities which we captured, we took for ourselves.". (Deuteronomy 2, 31-34), page 196 attached Bible.

The text does not require additional explanations.

B.1.6 Biblical text no. 6 - The Bible evokes the mass killing of all the children and women in the Land of Bashan.

Another example of total extermination of an entire kingdom comprising sixty cities: "the land of Og of Bashan" which "we smote [...] until none of them was left remaining alive". This time the massacre is also attributed to God: "The Lord our God delivered into our hands Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people". Neither the children nor their mothers escaped the racist and xenophobic cruelty of the "chosen people" helped by the "God of Israel". The text sternly presents, without any trace of rebuke, the result of the cruelty of the killers of children and mothers: "And we utterly destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon, king of Heshbon, utterly destroying every city with the men, women, and children".

"The Lord our God delivered into our hands Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people, and we smote him until none of them was left remaining alive. At that time we took all his cities, there was not a city which we took not from them. We took threescore cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan. All these cities were fenced with high walls, with gates, and with locks, beside unwalled towns a great many. And we utterly destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon, king of Heshbon, utterly destroying every city with the men, women, and children. And all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities, we took for a prey to ourselves." (Deuteronomy 3, 3-7), page 196 attached Bible.

B.1.7 Biblical text no. 7 – Moses orders the extermination of seven nations from the land of Canaan, the future Israel

Here is the text that contains xenophobic conceptions such as the prohibition of any contact with the members of seven Canaanite nations, of Semitic origin, on the grounds of the superiority of the Israelite people over all other peoples on earth. The Orthodox Bible presents the extermination of the seven nations in another chapter. The numerical size of the massacres is not known, not being mentioned in the biblical texts.

"When the Lord thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and shall cast out many nations before thee, namely: the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites - seven nations, which are greater and mightier than thou - **And the Lord thy God shall deliver them before thee and thou shalt smite them, then utterly destroy them, thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them**. Neither shalt thou make marriages with them: thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son. For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods, and the anger of the Lord will be kindled against you, and destroy thee soon.". (Deuteronomy 7, 1-4), page 202 attached Bible.

"For thou art the holy people unto the Lord thy God and the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be **his chosen people, of all people that are upon the face of the earth.**". (Deuteronomy 7, 6), page 202 attached Bible.

"The Lord thy God will put out those nations before thee by little and little; thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the land be desolate and the beasts of the field increase upon thee. But the Lord thy God shall deliver them unto thee, and shall put them in a mighty trouble, that they be destroyed. He shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have destroyed them." (Deuteronomy 7, 22-24), page 203 attached Bible.

"Hear, O Israel, from now on thou art to pass over Jordan, to go in to possess nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fenced up to heaven." (Deuteronomy 9,1), page 204 attached Bible.

The extermination of the seven nations in the Land of Canaan, in order to occupy their territories, is glorified by the R.O.C. in the "Prayer Canon to the Holy Prophet Moses" found on the web site Doxologia, of the Metropolitanate of Moldavia and Bucovina, we quote:

"The 6th song. Irmos: I will sacrifice to You with my voice... *Verse: Holy Prophet Moses, pray to God for us.* With the mighty army of the God of Israel, you overcame seven nations of the wickedness of the Canaanites, giving their land to your people as an inheritance.". (https://doxologia.ro/canon-cantari/canon-de-rugaciune-catre-sfantul-prooroc-moise) (page 3 Appendix no. 3)

Moses's promise, to eradicate these nations, will be fulfilled by his successor, Joshua.

Let us present an update of the biblical example for Romanians. The Romanians, going to work in the countries of Western Europe, finding that those territories are richer, would invoke that God gave them the right to occupy them, exterminating the nations that live in those territories.

Not one of the seven biblical texts can be a worthy example to follow in our day. Who can say today that these criminal texts have a sacred character? They are contrary to Christian teachings and Romanian spirituality. In this context, the presentation of such a God to Romanian believers is inexplicable. Who can imagine today that an Almighty God, who created and governs the entire infinite Universe, would have needed such massacres among men to impose his supremacy over other gods? And the same Almighty God, who commanded the killing of men, also created all the human races on the face of the earth. The True God cannot be racist, xenophobic, fascist, anti-Romanian or anti-Semitic. A God who gives life to all men cannot command the killing of some men.

B.2. SAINT ELIJAH – THE BUTCHER AT BROOK KISHON

In the book of III Kings [1 Kings in other versions of the Bible] 18, 18-36, a massacre is presented, carried out with cruelty and personally by Elijah the Thesbite. We will prove the fact that the biblical character is proclaimed "Holy and Glorious Prophet Elijah the Thesbite" by the cult of the Romanian Orthodox Church and is celebrated in the Orthodox calendar, every year, on July 20. Similarly, the ROC composed a special prayer of honour called "Akathist of the Holy Prophet Elijah the Thesbite".

This is marked with a red cross in the calendar, which implies that that day is a feast of the Church and special services are held in honour of Saint Elijah.

For a demonstration of the power of the God of Israel, in whom he believed, Elijah the Thesbite challenges four hundred and fifty prophets of the god Baal and four hundred prophets of the goddess Ashtera. Baal and Ashtera were two gods that many Israelites worshipped during the time of King Ahab and his wife Jezebel. Elijah asks King Ahab to summon the eight hundred and fifty prophets.

"Now therefore send, and gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the prophets of Asherah four hundred, who eat at Jezebel's table.". (III Kings [1 Kings] 18, 19), page 387 attached Bible..

Following the ritual burning of a calf on the altar, with "the fire of the Lord", by invoking divine powers, Elijah emerges victorious. "And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and cried to heaven, and said: 'Lord God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Israel! Hear me, Lord, hear me now with fire, so that this people may know this day that Thou alone art God in Israel, and I am Thy servant.'." (III Kings 18,36), page 388 attached Bible..

After sacrificing the animal, Elijah unleashes a genuine slaughter in the name of the God of Israel: "Take the prophets of Baal, that not one of them escapes! And they took them, and **Elijah went to the brook Kishon, and stabbed them there**." (III Kings 18,40), page 388 attached Bible.

The following text reinforces the statement regarding Elijah's crimes: "And Ahab told Jezebel **all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword.**" (III Kings 19,1), page 388 attached Bible.

Prophet Elijah should have known and respected the Decalogue which also contained the commandment "Thou shalt not kill!". We note that the biblical text does not specify any critical comment about the seriousness of the criminal acts of St. Elijah the Thesbite. Only the massacre provoked in one day by St. Elijah, who killed four hundred and fifty people by stabbing, for religious reasons, is recorded.

The text below records another direct command from God to kill human beings:

"And, behold, there came a voice unto him, and said, What doest thou here, Elijah?'." (III Kings 19, 13). "**And the Lord said**: 'Go, return on thy way through the wilderness to Damascus and, when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria; And Jehu, the son of Nimshi, shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel; and Elisha, the son of Shaphat of Abel-Meholah, shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room! And it shall come to pass, that him that escapeth the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay, **and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay**.'." (III Kings 19, 15-17), page 389 attached Bible.

God communicated to Elijah to appoint Elisha as his replacement as prophet. But the successor to the post of prophet had the sacred duty to continue murdering people in the name of God. The impression is given that murdering people was part of the prophet's job description. Furthermore, we learn that the God of Israel rewarded Elijah, for his faithfulness and criminal activities, with a miraculous rapture to heaven.

"And it came to pass, when the Lord would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal." (IV Kings 2, 1). "And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parting them both asunder, lifted Elijah by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it, and he cried: 'My father, my father, the

chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof!' And then he saw him no more. And taking hold of his own clothes, he rent them in two pieces." (IV Kings 2, 11-12), page 396 attached Bible..

The most relevant texts were presented, given that the Orthodox Bible contains many other conceptions condemned by the current laws of Romania.

C. Evidence regarding the public promotion, by the R.O.C. cult, of the Moses character with xenophobic, racist, anti-Semitic, fascist-type criminal activities

Exhibit C 1

The publication named "Orthodox Christian Calendar 2018", [...] with the specification, we quote: "edited by the Archdiocese of Bucharest and the Romanian Patriarchate, printed at the Church Books Printing House, All rights reserved", contains 48 pages. On the front page is mentioned, we quote: "Christian - Orthodox Calendar 2018, printed with the blessing of the Toohappy Daniel, Archbishop of Bucharest, Vicar of the Throne of Caesarea of Cappadocia and Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church". The publication of the Romanian Orthodox Church "Orthodox Christian Calendar" presents on page 30, in the month of "September - Harvest", from which we quote: "4 Tu Saint Vavila, bishop of Antioch; **St. Prophet Moses**; St. Mc. Petronius". See the Annex "Orthodox Christian Calendar 2018" - original.

Exhibit C 2

We will present a "Canon of prayer to the Holy Prophet Moses" published by the online publication Doxologia.ro which presents itself as "Site created by DOXOLOGIA MEDIA. Metropolitanate of Moldavia and Bucovina, ©2018 doxologia.ro".

At the address https://doxologia.ro/despre-noi, it is specified: "The doxologia.ro portal is a project of the Metropolitanate of Moldavia and Bucovina - Archdiocese of Iași, developed and administered by Doxologia Media, with the blessing of His Holiness Father Teofan, Metropolitan of Moldavia and Bucovina.".

The Metropolitanate of Moldavia and Bucovina, a component part of the ROC (according to art. 6, paragraph (2) of the ROC Statute), is directly and without intermediation led by Metropolitan Teofan Savu, a member of the Holy Synod (according to art. 12 of the ROC Statute), therefore directly responsible for the public glorification of the criminal actions of the prophet Moses. The address of the prayer presented online is: https://doxologia.ro/canon-cantari/canon-de-rugaciune-catre-sfantul-prooroc-moise. The text of the prayer is presented in Appendix no. 3, pages 1-6.

"Canon of prayer to the Holy Prophet Moses", official prayer of the Romanian Orthodox Church, urges the praise of the criminal Moses: "Among the prophets, Moses should first be praised, as the one who first spoke to God face to face, not in delusions of notes, but as in bodily form seeing Him.". (page 1 Appendix no. 3). The R.O.C. prayer states that Moses, the serial killer, was the messenger of God, calling him "Divine guide of the people" and "savior of your nation Israel": "Song 1, voice 4, Verse: *Holy Prophet Moses, pray to God for us*. As a divine guide to the people and savior of your nation Israel, God gave you [to us], Holy Prophet Moses, the seer of God, as he promised to your father, to whom through the anointing of the promise your birth was announced before.". (page 1 Appendix no. 3).

The prayer of the Orthodox Church induces the criminal idea that God saved the "Nation of Israel" through murders, robberies and abusive occupations of territories, perpetrated on other peoples,

considered inferior. The inferiority of the other non-Hebrew peoples derives from the fact that they did not worship the "God of Israel."

In the 4th Canticle, the Prayer Canon of the R.O.C. glorifies Moses's killing of all the firstborn among the Egyptians, comparing his criminality to the pacifist and loving activity of Jesus Christ. It is blasphemy to justify the criminality of Moses who "killed the first born of Egypt" by associating it with the exclusively spiritual (religious) activity of Jesus Christ who "killed the devilish power": "The slur of your tongue and of your voice changing through the Divine order, seer of God, you showed yourself as a servant of the fearful Mysteries of God and with wounds you struck Egypt. (...) You killed the firstborn of Egypt, just as Christ killed the devilish power; because those you were working on, were really a sign of what was to come, always mentioned.". (page 2 Appendix no. 3).

The prayer canon, publicly promoted by the Metropolitanate of Moldavia and Bucovina, with the blessing of Metropolitan Teofan, glorifies an episode of the killing of all the first-born of the Egyptian people, the hospitable host of the Hebrew people when a prolonged drought threatened the disappearance of Jacob's tribe by starvation. The crimes glorified by the prayer of the R.O.C. can also be found in the orthodox biblical texts:

"And it came to pass, that at midnight the Lord smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of cattle. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead." (Exodus 12, 29-30), pp.80-81 attached Bible.

In the 6th Canticle, the Prayer Canon of the ROC glorifies the extermination of the seven nations of the Land of Canaan, in order to forcefully occupy the territories where they lived peacefully: "Having the mighty army of the God of Israel, you took away seven nations from the wickedness of the Canaanites, giving their land to your people as an inheritance. *Verse: Holy Prophet Moses, pray to God for us.*" (tab 3 Appendix no. 3).

Of course, the ROC hierarchy cannot explain what the "wickedness of the Canaanites" consisted of. We find explicit expressions regarding the existence of a warrior God who armed the people of Israel to do justice by exterminating the peoples declared "evil", on the grounds that they messed up his expansion plans. The prayer refers to the biblical texts presented in Deuteronomy 7, 1-24, pp.202-203 attached Bible. The extermination of the "seven nations of the wickedness of the Canaanites" is described in detail in the book of Joshua, pp.235-262, attached Bible.

Exhibit C 3

Icons of the Holy Prophet Moses can be found in Romanian Orthodox churches and monasteries. Samples of the iconographic representations, in which the criminal Moses appears, are presented on the Doxologia web site of the Metropolitanate of Moldavia and Bucovina. https://doxologia.ro/sfant-sarbatoare/119375/icoane/p/2%2B3

Exhibit C 4

Another piece of evidence regarding the public promotion of Moses, who carried out the racist and xenophobic criminal activities exposed in this Criminal Complaint, is the granting of patronage, i.e. of the Saint protector Moses, to some Orthodox places of worship. Patriarch Daniel himself officiated the Holy Liturgy in a chapel of an Orthodox Monastery in Techirghiol, patronized by the Holy Prophet Moses. This chapel was consecrated with this blessing by the leader of the R.O.C.

himself. We quote from "Newspaper Lumina [The Light]", the publication of the Romanian Patriarchate, from the article entitled "Faith, vision through the grace of the Holy Spirit" from "Newspaper Lumina", published on April 24, 2017: In the word of instruction, delivered at the end of the Holy Liturgy in the chapel dedicated to "Saint Great Martyr Pantelimon" and "Saint Prophet Moses" at the base of the new wall church of the "Saint Mary"-Techirghiol Monastery, The Toohappy Father Patriarch Daniel explained the meanings of spiritual knowledge through faith, which comes from religious hearing and understanding. (...) The chapel dedicated to "Holy Great Martyr Pantelimon" and "Holy Prophet Moses" at the base of the wall church was consecrated in the year 2009 by the Toohappy Father Patriarch Daniel. (page 7 Appendix no. 3). (http://ziarullumina.ro/credinta-vederea-prin-harul-duhului-sfant-121958.html)

Exhibit C 5

Lumina newspaper published on September 4, 2017 the article entitled: "Let's not make ourselves masters in the Master's house!". According to the article, Patriarch Daniel spoke a word of instruction on September 3, 2017. (http://ziarullumina.ro/sa-nu-ne-facem-stapani-in-casa-stapanului-125839.html) pages 9- 10, Appendix no. 3.

In the sermon delivered, Patriarch Daniel affirmed and supported the idea of the superiority of a people, "chosen from other peoples" by God himself: "God chose the Hebrew people to work in His vineyard, that is, to prepare the salvation of the nations. He chose it from among the other peoples". (page 9 Appendix no. 3).

Although he is obliged to fully know the texts of the Holy Scriptures, including those presented in the Criminal Complaint, being a doctor in theology, he failed to criticize the criminal, xenophobic and racist acts committed by "God's chosen people". It can be concluded that Patriarch Daniel is tacitly promoting the apologia of religious crime. Patriarch Daniel publicly stated: "This parable shows us that God chose the Hebrew people to work in His vineyard, that is, to prepare the salvation of the peoples. He chose it from the other peoples and gave it the Law through Moses and many religious, moral and cultic rules to help it preserve its identity and fulfil a holy mission.". (page 9 Appendix no. 3).

Knowledgeable of all the texts of Holy Scripture, including the criminal ones exposed in this Criminal Complaint, Patriarch of R.O.C. with multiple domestic and international doctorates, praised the "holy mission" of the Hebrew people and Moses: "and gave it the Law through Moses and many religious, moral and cultic rules to help it preserve its identity and fulfil a holy mission". (page 9 Appendix no. 3).

But the Patriarch failed to criticize the criminal activity of Moses, the first transgressor of the divine Law. If Moses brought the Law, then he was also the first to blatantly break the Law, and this must be emphasized.

Exhibit C 6

The newspaper Lumina also published in the article "Fraternal communion and missionary coresponsibility" the text entitled "Words of the Toohappy Father Daniel, Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church, at the Solemn Meeting with the participation of the Patriarchs and delegations of the Autocephalous Orthodox Churches, Moscow, December 2, 2017.".

(http://ziarullumina.ro/comuniune-fraterna-si-coresponsabilitate-misionara-128679.html) pages 11-

12, Appendix no. 3.

Patriarch Daniel acknowledged on December 2, 2017 that his title of "patriarch" comes from "the biblical patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob," who "were the fathers and spiritual and political leaders of the Hebrew people, predecessors of Moses". It is evident that Moses is considered the most important spiritual and political leader of the Hebrew people, since the Patriarch Daniel calls the others "Moses's predecessors". The patriarch had a moral obligation to also point out the criminal activity of the "spiritual father and leader" Moses.

"The institution of the *patriarchate* in the Church has its origin in the first Christian millennium, when the bishops of some important cities of the Christian empire received the title of *patriarch*. This title reminded of the biblical patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the fathers and spiritual and political leaders of the Hebrew people, predecessors of Moses (cf. *Exodus* 3, 15)." (page 11, Appendix no. 3)

Noteworthy in the speech of Patriarch Ciobotea is the nostalgia for the reunification of power through the "spiritual and political leadership of the people", like the patriarchs, predecessors of Moses. Patriarch Daniel should not forget the criminal activities of the first Patriarch Miron Cristea who "desired", against the canons, the spiritual and political leadership of interwar Romania.

D. Evidence regarding the public promotion of the Elijah character by the R.O.C. cult

Exhibit D 1

On page 27 of the ROC publication "Orthodox Christian Calendar 2018", the month "July - Oven", is mentioned in red letters, we quote: "20 Fr †) **The Holy and Glorious Prophet Elijah the Thesbite**". The red cross signifies that this is a day of great celebration for the R.O.C. cult, in which special services dedicated to the saint of the day are performed. On this day, a prayer called the Akathist of the Holy Prophet Elijah is also read. See the "Orthodox Christian Calendar 2018" Annex - original.

Exhibit D 2

The special prayer dedicated to a dangerous criminal, called the "Akathist of the Holy Prophet Elijah the Thesbite", is found in all editions of the prayer books called "Ceaslov" or "Acatistier" published by the cult of the Romanian Orthodox Church. The akathist is published by the online publication Doxologia.ro at: https://doxologia.ro/ceaslov/acatiste/acatistul-sfantului-prooroc-ilietesviteanul

In the special prayer Elijah is nicknamed the "magnification of the patriarchs" and the "guide of the hierarchs", i.e., the butcher from the brook Kishon is the "magnification" of the patriarch Daniel and the guide of the "hierarchs" of the Holy Synod of the ROC.

We present a fragment from "Icos 3" of the Akathist: Rejoice, the glory of the patriarchs and the adornment of the prophets; Rejoice, praise of the virgins and exaltation of the pious; Rejoice, guide of hierarchs and strength of martyrs; Rejoice, that you turned the sons of Israel, blinded by iniquity and unbelief, to the path of truth; Rejoice, Elijah, magnified prophet and forerunner of the second coming of Christ!" (page 14, Appendix no. 3).

The episode of the stabbing of 450 prophets of another religious faith is presented as a divine victory: "Rejoice, that you turned the sons of Israel, blinded by iniquity and unbelief, to the path of truth" (page 14, Appendix no. 3).

We will present relevant fragments showing the way in which Elijah is glorified by the ROC cult. The murderer Elijah is called "God's chosen one", "great prophet" and "great diviner". The prayer contains words like "praise to you, prophet of God Elijah". The acts of murder against the prophets of Baal are presented in a dialogue between the believer and the murderer: "You who were chosen by the Lord for the return of Israel from the worship of Baal, harsh rebuker of wicked kings". In the opinion of the ROC cult, the murderer Elijah was "God's chosen".

"Kondak 1: You, who were chosen by the Lord for the return of Israel from the worship of Baal, harsh rebuker of wicked kings, shining with the fire of zeal for God Almighty, with the holiness of life and miracles, who rose up with the body to the heavens and will come before the second coming of Christ, we praise you, prophet of God Elijah, you, who have great boldness towards the Lord, free us, who sing to you, from all needs and troubles, with your prayers: Rejoice, Elijah, magnified prophet and forerunner of the second coming of Christ!". (page 13, Appendix no. 3)

"Kondak 2: Seeing iniquity and rebellion in Israel, great prophet, you were grieved in spirit, and in zeal for the glory of God you were kindled, because the sons of Israel worshipped the abominable idols and turned away from the true God, To whom all the heavenly hosts, with trembling, sang: Hallelujah!". (page 13, Appendix no. 3)

"Icos 5: All the Israelites seeing that, at your prayer, fire from the Lord in heaven came down on your sacrifice, glorified prophet, when it ignited and, consuming it, burned everything: the wood, the stones as well as the water, they fell with their faces to the ground, shouting: Truly That Lord God is the true God! And the people believed in the true God, **and they stabbed the false prophets**." (page 15, Appendix no. 3)

In Icos 5, the ROC prayer distorts the historical truth by falsely stating that the Israelites committed the murders. In fact, I have proved that the biblical text explicitly shows how Elijah killed 450 prophets. This is proof of the ordinary manipulation of Orthodox believers. The ROC cult preys on the gullibility of believers who do not have time to carefully study the biblical writings. See Appendix no. 3, pages 13-19 "Akathist of the Holy Prophet Elijah the Thesbite" xerox copy.

Exhibit D 3

The murderer Elijah is represented in icons from tens of thousands of Orthodox churches and monasteries in Romania. The limited space does not allow us to attach xerox copies of these icons to the Criminal Complaint. Icons of Saint Elijah are posted on the web site of the Metropolitanate of Moldavia and Bucovina, Doxologia, at the indicated address. The Metropolitanate of Moldova and Bucovina sells such icons online.

https://doxologia.ro/viata-bisericii/iconografie/icoane-ale-sfantului-prooroc-ilie-tesviteanul https://magazinmmb.ro/icoana-b-sfantul-prooroc-ilie

Exhibit D 4

Patriarch Daniel of R.O.C. himself made an apology for the criminal acts of Elijah the Thesbite, in a public sermon from which we quote: "If we summarize his life and deeds, we have four great qualities that we must highlight: a man of prayer and self-control, **defender of the true faith against idolatrous wanderings**, merciful helper of the poor, **punisher of those who commit injustices**, highlighted the Father Patriarch.". (page 20, Appendix no. 3)

By using the expressions "defender of the true faith against idolatrous wanderings" and "punisher of those who commit injustices", Patriarch Daniel strictly refers to the biblical text of III Kings ch.18,

verses 18-40. Although he claims to promote a religion of peace and forgiveness, Patriarch Daniel has publicly threatened that Saint Elijah is "vengeful" and "punitive": "He is a harsh avenger of those who have often been humiliated and a punisher of those who commit many injustices".(tab 20, Appendix no. 3)

To be noted that the doctor of theology and professor of dogmatic theology Daniel Ciobotea used the present tense, updating the criminal activity of Elijah, who is "punisher of those who commit many injustices".

The quotes are extracted from the article titled "Patriarch Daniel: The Holy Prophet Elijah is a merciful helper of the poor and a punisher of those who commit injustices" published on 20.07.2017, by Iulian Dumitraşcu, on the web site "Basilica.ro - News Agency of the Romanian Patriarchate". (http://basilica.ro/patriarhul-daniel-sfantul-proroc-ilie-este-ajutator-lostiv-al-saracilor-si-depsitor-al-celor-care-savarsesc-nedreptati/)

Patriarch Daniel explicitly urges the monks and nuns in the Romanian monasteries to follow the example of Saint Elijah "punisher of those who commit injustices" and "defender of the true faith against idolatrous wanderings". It is understood that the Patriarch preaches the model of Saint Elijah to the monks, including through the previously presented criminal acts, we quote: "He thus becomes a foreshadowing of monasticism since the Old Testament, when there was no monasticism yet.". (page 20 Appendix no. 3)

From the same article we present a quote, as proof of the dimensions of the praise of a saint with religiously motivated xenophobic criminal ideas and acts: "On the day of the Prophet, Toohappy Daniel celebrates one of his protectors received at baptism. On this occasion, the leader of our Church was congratulated by the attendants of the Patriarchal Residence and by the servants of the Patriarchal Cathedral. At the end, Patriarch Daniel congratulated those who have the Holy Prophet Elijah the Thesbite as their protector. *To all those who bear the name of Ilie* [*Elijah*], *we wish them many and blessed years*, *with peace*, *joy, much faith and merciful deeds*, His Toohappiness wished them." (page 20, Appendix no. 3)

We learn that Patriarch Daniel himself is proud to have the religious criminal Elijah as his baptismal protector, and congratulates those who bear the name in memory of a religious xenophobe.

Exhibit D 5

Another sermon presented in the article entitled "4 virtues of St. Elijah highlighted by the Patriarch at the Techirghiol Monastery" and published on 20.07.2018, by Sorin Ionițe on the web site "Basilica.ro - News Agency of the Romanian Patriarchate". Appendix no. 3, pages 21-22. (http://basilica.ro/4-virtuti-ale-sf-ilie-evidentiate-de-parintele-patriarh-la-manastirea-techirghiol/)

In the year 2018, for the feast of Saint Elijah, Patriarch Daniel copied the sermon delivered in 2017. He repeated ad letter the statements from the year 2017 eulogizing the 4 virtues of Saint Elijah: "In the homily delivered on Friday, July 20, 2018, at the Monastery Saint Maria of Techirghiol, the Toohappy Father Patriarch Daniel highlighted four great virtues of the Holy Prophet Elijah the Thesbite: Saint Elijah was a man of prayer, fasting and self-control; He was a defender of the true faith against idolatrous wanderings; He was a merciful helper of the poor; He was also a punisher of those who commit injustice." (page 21 Appendix no. 3)

It is proof that, in continued form, the Patriarch made xenophobic statements and incitement to religious hatred. Also, the same Patriarch Daniel reaffirmed the model of Saint Elijah for Romanian monasticism: "The Holy Prophet Elijah, like John the Baptist, did not found a family, they lived in

prayer, for a long time in solitude, in the desert, in fasting, hardship and restraint and therefore together they are prototypes of the monastic life". (page 21, Appendix no. 3)

The comparison between the two is absurd. While Elijah was a murderer, Saint John the Baptist was a non-violent man, allowing himself to be killed. At the same time, he [the patriarch] praised Elijah's criminal activity: "God sent the Prophet Elijah to King Ahab to rebuke him and tell him that if he does not return to the true, ancestral faith of the Hebrews, the whole country will be punished and it will not rain for 3 years and 6 months". (tab 21, Appendix no. 3)

Evidence in support of the claims that the ROC hierarchy supports the dogmatic assimilation of the God of Israel with God the Father of the Orthodox Holy Trinity.

Patriarch Daniel publicly stated that Prophet Elijah used the threat of punishment against the king of Israel at that time, "if he does not return to the true, ancestral faith of the Hebrews". One of Elijah's punishments, in the name of the God of Israel, was the stabbing of 450 Hebrew prophets who supported King Ahab.

Patriarch Daniel publicly supported the xenophobic idea that Elijah was defending "the true, ancestral faith of the Hebrews." In the opinion of the Patriarch, Elijah carried out the assassinations mentioned in the Orthodox Bible, in the name of the "true faith". The Romanian Orthodox Church cult claims that it exclusively holds the "true faith" in God, identified by Patriarch Daniel with the "true, ancestral faith of the Hebrews" defended through mass murders by Saints Elijah and Moses. Patriarch Daniel promoted a vengeful, cruel and murderous God in his sermon, publicly stating: "And indeed God punished both King Ahab and Jezebel, and they ended tragically.". (page 21, Appendix no. 3). The Patriarch's conception is contrary to the God of Christians, who is good and forgiving.

Exhibit D 6

On July 21, 2017, newspaper "Lumina" of the Romanian Patriarchate published an article entitled: "Saint Elijah, man of prayer and defender of the true faith". Appendix no. 3, pages 23-24. (http://ziarullumina.ro/sfantul-ilie-om-al-rugaciunii-si-aparator-al-credintei-adevarate-124613.html)

This article is another piece of evidence regarding the public promotion of the murderous xenophobe Elijah. Patriarch Daniel served the Holy Liturgy on the occasion of the celebration of Saint Elijah in the Chapel of the Patriarchal Residence which has as patron, i.e. the protector saint, the Saint and glorious prophet Elijah the Thesbite.

We present a relevant quote in this regard: "The 'St. Gregory the Illuminator' chapel in the Patriarchal Residence celebrated its second patron yesterday, July 20, 2017, the holy and glorious Prophet Elijah the Thesbite. On this occasion, the Holy Liturgy was performed in this holy place of prayer by the Toohappy Father Daniel, the Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church, surrounded by a council of ministers. The Holy Liturgy was preceded by a blessing service for the beautification and renewal works that were carried out at this chapel." (page 23, Appendix no. 3).

Exhibit D 7

The same daily publication of the Romanian Patriarchate published, on July 22, 2017, an article entitled: "The Feast of the Holy Prophet Elijah the Thesbite". Appendix no. 3, pages 25-27. (http://ziarullumina.ro/praznicul-sfantului-proroc-ilie-tesviteanul-124657.html)

This is proof of incitement to religious hatred and apologia of religious crime by the hierarchs of the Romanian Orthodox Church. The official publication of ROC states that the hierarchs of ROC urged the Orthodox believers, who were on pilgrimage to the numerous Transylvanian monasteries, "to keep their faith alive, having Saint Elijah the Thesbite, one of the most important prophets of the Old Testament, as their model." We quote the text extracted from the cited article: "On the feast of the Holy Prophet Elijah the Thesbite, the pilgrims participated in the consecration of numerous Transylvanian monasteries. **The faithful were exhorted by the hierarchs to pray and keep their faith alive, having Saint Elijah the Thesbite**, one of the most important prophets of the Old Testament, also called 'the second forerunner of the coming of Christ', **as a model**.". (page 25, Appendix no. 3)

Exhibit D 8

The article "In pictures: How Saint Elijah was celebrated at the monastery founded by Patriarch Miron" published by Sorin Ioniţe on July 21, 2018 on the Basilica.ro web site. Appendix no. 3, page 28. http://basilica.ro/in-imagini-cum-a-fost-serbat-sfantul-ilie-la-manastirea-ctitorita-de-patriarhul-miron/

Another piece of evidence that proves that the hierarchs of the Romanian Orthodox Church publicly promote a xenophobic murderer.

On July 20, 2018, on the day of Saint Elijah, at the Monastery of Saint Prophet Elijah in Topliţa, Harghita county, 6 hierarchs members of the Holy Synod of ROC paid homage to the biblical murderer: "The Holy Liturgy on the day of the celebration of Saint Prophet Elijah was officiated by 6 Romanian hierarchs and one Bulgarian hierarch: IPS Naum, Metropolitan of Ruse-Bulgaria, TTH [Tall Too Hallowed] Teodosie, Archbishop of Tomis, TH [Too Hallowed] Lucian, Bishop of Caransebeş, TH Andrei Bishop of Covasna and Harghita, TH Visarion, Bishop of Tulcea, TH Gurie, Bishop of Deva and Hunedoara and TH Emilian Crişanul, Vicar Bishop of the Archdiocese of Arad". (page 28, Appendix no. 3)

The article mentions that "Victor Opaschi, Secretary of State for Cults, was present at the event", which proves the fact that a high-ranking civil servant of the Romanian State participates in the public eulogy of the xenophobic murderer Elijah.

Exhibit D 9

The article "Patriarch Daniel consecrated the center of Saint Elijah in Călimănești" published by Sorin Ionițe, on September 7, 2018, on the basilica.ro web site at the address http://basilica.ro/patriarhul-daniel-a-sfintit-centrul-sf-ilie-from-calimanesti/

The fact that "Toohappy Father Patriarch Daniel consecrated on Friday, September 7, 2018, the Social-Pastoral Center 'St. Elijah' from Călimănești-Căciulata, Vâlcea county" is presented. The center belongs to the Romanian Patriarchate. (page 29, Appendix no. 3)

In his speech, Patriarch Daniel explained why this pastoral social center bears the name of Saint Elijah: "Saint Elijah also stayed near the water, at the Cherith river, and at the mountain, so here the water of Olt and the mountain are connected together and bring glory to God". (page 29, Appendix no. 3)

This is further proof that a biblical murderer, who committed the described atrocities, is glorified by the Patriarch of R.O.C.. In his sermon he did not mention anything about the criminal activity of the one who is considered the protector of an accommodation center for people going to spa treatment.

E. Evidence attesting the responsibility of the Patriarch and of the members of the Holy Synod regarding the public promotion of the Bible, of the Orthodox Christian Calendar, of theology and religion manuals, of the official web sites of the ROC which contain "racist and xenophobic ideas and of conceptions such as ethnically and religiously motivated violence and murder"

The evidence can be found in the "Statute for the organisation and operation of the Romanian Orthodox Church" approved by Government Decision no. 53/2008, published in the Official Gazette no. 50 of January 22, 2008. HG 53/2008 was issued to organize the execution of Law 489/2006, based on art. 29, paragraph (3) and art. 108 of the Romanian Constitution. The statute of R.O.C. was approved by the Holy Synod of R.O.C. according to the provisions of art. 14, letter f of the respective R.O.C. Statute. The "Statute for the organisation and operation of the Romanian Orthodox Church" can be found published on web site patriarhia.ro at the address: http://patriarhia.ro/images/documente/statutul_bor.pdf
See Annex "Compact Disc", file: statut ROC.

Exhibit E 1

The statute of R.O.C. explicitly provides for the responsibility of all members of the Holy Synod regarding the publication of the Holy Scriptures, the church calendar and theology manuals, according to art. 14:

- "Art. 14 The assignments of the Holy Synod are:
- d) decides on the canonization of saints and issues the tomos proclaiming the canonization;
- x) **initiates, authorises and supervises the translation, correction, editing and dissemination of the Holy Scriptures**, the printing and distribution of books of worship, **the church calendar**, textbooks of theology and textbooks of religion; supervises works of architecture, painting, sculpture and other forms of Orthodox church art from a dogmatic, liturgical and canonical point of view, and takes the appropriate measures in case of deviations;
- t) **approves the rules regarding the organising and operation of** pre-university and university **theological education units**, **as well as those regarding the teaching of religion in state**, private and denominational **schools**. Establishes the norms regarding religious education at all levels, as well as the programs for catechizing young people and adults;".

The Bible or Holy Scripture is edited, printed and distributed exclusively by the Biblical and Mission Institute of the Romanian Orthodox Church, led by Patriarch Daniel, according to art. 162 of the R.O.C. Statute.

"Art. 162 – (1) **The Biblical and Mission Institute of the Romanian Orthodox Church is led by the Patriarch**, and its activity is coordinated by one of the patriarchal vicar-bishops, being administered by the Permanence of the National Church Council. (2) The products of the Biblical and Mission Institute of the Romanian Orthodox Church are distributed to dioceses, parishes, monasteries and believers through diocesan church stores. (3) **The publishing house and the printing house of the Biblical and Mission Institute of the Romanian Orthodox Church have exclusivity regarding the editing, printing and distribution of the Holy Scriptures, worship books and theology manuals, which will be printed only with the approval of the Holy Synod.**".

Exhibit E 2

On the opening page of the Orthodox Bible it is explicitly specified, we quote: "THE BIBLE or HOLY SCRIPTURE printed with the approval of the Holy Synod and with the blessing of the

Toohappy Father Daniel, Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church". See the attached Bible in original.

Exhibit E 3

Regarding the publication of the "Orthodox Christian Calendar", the same responsibility is stipulated for the members of the Synod of the Romanian Orthodox Church. The R.O.C. status provides unequivocally: "Art. 164 – **The Holy Synod annually approves the church calendar** based on the text developed by the Chancellery of the Holy Synod, which is printed at the printing house of the Biblical Institute and the eparchial printing houses, respecting the right of copy-right, and the dissemination is done under the conditions established annually by the Holy Synod, only within each diocese."

Exhibit E 4

The same Statute of the ROC imperatively specifies the monopoly rights over the publication of the Orthodox Bible, calendars and all Orthodox church books considered goods necessary for religious activity: "Art. 165 – The Biblical and Mission Institute of the Romanian Orthodox Church, as well as the dioceses that have their own printers and workshops, **are obliged to take the necessary measures to comply with the legal provisions in force regarding the exclusive right of the Church** to produce and capitalize on the objects and goods necessary for the activity of worship.". "The legal provisions in force regarding the exclusive right of the Church", invoked in art. 165 of the ROC Statute, can be found in the updated Law 103/1992. Indeed, the cult named the Romanian Orthodox Church (abbreviated R.O.C.) holds by law the exclusivity over the multiplication and exploitation of Orthodox books, including the Orthodox Bible and the Orthodox Christian Calendar, for 86.5% of Romania's population, declared Orthodox according to the latest census data. In this regard, numerous criminal complaints signed by the representatives of the Romanian Orthodox Church cult were made against those who dared to exploit Orthodox cult products without the express consent of R.O.C..

Exhibit E 5

Most of the members of the Holy Synod of the ROC, including Patriarch Daniel, have the rank of bishop or archbishop of a diocese. They have statutory rights regarding the direct and unmediated management of all church activity in the diocese. The ROC statute provides for their right to effectively lead the diocese as well as for their assignment to represent the diocese in court, according to: "Art. 86 - (1) In his diocese, the curate exercises his entire ministry in communion with the Holy Synod. (2) The curate exercises his right to lead the diocese from the moment of his enthronement and receiving of the letter from his canonical metropolitan, respectively from the Patriarch for the metropolitan. Art. 88 - The curate (archbishop or bishop) exercises the following attributions: f) represents the diocese in relations with central and local public authorities, in court and towards third parties, personally or through delegates;".

II. In law, the presented facts fall under the crime of "public promotion of racist and xenophobic concepts such as ethnically, racially or religiously motivated violence and murder, the superiority of some races and the inferiority of others" provided for and punished by art. 2, letter a, and art. 5 of the Government's Emergency Ordinance no. 31/2002 regarding the prohibition of organisations and symbols of a fascist, racist or xenophobic character and the promotion of the cult of persons guilty of crimes against peace and humanity, amended and supplemented by Law 217/2015 and Law 157/2018, we quote:

"Art. 2, lit. a) fascist, legionary, racist or xenophobic organisation means any group formed by three or more persons, who carry out their activity temporarily or permanently, for the purpose of promoting fascist, legionary, racist or xenophobic ideas, conceptions or doctrines, such as ethnically, racially or religiously motivated hatred and violence, the superiority of some races and the inferiority of others, incitement to xenophobia, recourse to violence to change the constitutional order or democratic institutions, extremist nationalism. This category may include organisations with or without legal personality, political parties and movements, associations and foundations, companies regulated by Associations Law no. 31/1990, republished, with subsequent amendments and additions, as well as any other legal entities that meet the requirements set forth in this letter;

Art.5 The act of a person promoting, in public, the cult of persons guilty of crimes of genocide against humanity and of war crimes, as well as **the act of promoting, in public,** fascist, legionary, **racist or xenophobic ideas, conceptions or doctrines, in the sense of art. 2 lit. a)**, is punishable by imprisonment from 3 months to 3 years and the prohibition of certain rights."

From a legal point of view, the cult called the Romanian Orthodox Church is a religious organisation with legal personality of public interest, according to the provisions of art.8, paragraph (1) of Law 489/2006 on religious freedom and the general regime of cults.

"Art. 8. - (1) Recognized cults are legal entities of public utility. They are organized and operate based on the constitutional provisions and the present law, autonomously, according to their own statutes or canonical codes.".

The same Law 489/2006 provides, in art. 5, para. (4), that the Romanian Orthodox Church "has the obligation to respect the Constitution and the laws of the country and not to harm public security, order, public health and morals, as well as fundamental human rights and freedoms".

"Art. 5 - (4) In their activity, cults, religious associations and religious groups have the obligation to respect the Constitution and the laws of the country and not to harm public security, order, public health and morals, as well as fundamental human rights and freedoms ".

For the record, GEO 31/2002 amended and supplemented by Law 217/2015 is an organic law that must be respected.

Special mentions regarding the Criminal Complaint

A. We mention that this Criminal Complaint does not refer to the criticism of biblical texts from Bibles or Holy Books that belong to other religions, ethnic groups or religious minorities in Romania. It refers only to the Orthodox Bible, to which millions of Romanian Orthodox believers have access. The ROC clergy prohibits Orthodox believers from reading the other Bibles of non-Orthodox Christian denominations, under the pretext of incorrect translation, declaring them "heretical" and devoid of the grace of the Holy Spirit. It is the duty of the judicial bodies to identify, whether the mentioned criminal texts are also present in other Bibles from Romania, belonging to other cults, associations or religious groups, and to assess their sanctioning in the current legislative context.

B. Likewise, our legal approach does not wish to associate the historical past of the Israelite people, presented in the Orthodox Bible, with the Jewish people of our days. Today, the Jewish people benefit from the protection of a State called Israel, which is recognized with international rights equal to those of the other states of the contemporary world. Certainly the laws of the current state of Israel grant religious freedom to all its citizens and comply with international law on mass

murder and genocide. Surely no Jew today can accept the veneration of crimes committed by some ancestors.

The Jewish minority in Romania, like the Romanian majority, has an equal guaranteed right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion according to the provisions of art. 9, paragraph (1) of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms as well as art. 29, paragraph (1) of the Romanian Constitution. With the mention that any religious cult, religious association or religious group has the obligation to respect the Constitution and laws of Romania and not to harm public security, order, health and public morals, as well as fundamental human rights and freedoms, according to art. 5, paragraph .(4) of Law 489/2006 on religious freedom and the general regime of cults.

This Criminal Complaint contains 26 pages and has the following annexes:

Appendix no. 1 contains 4 sheets of xerox copies;

Appendix no. 2 contains 5 sheets of xerox copies;

Appendix no. 3 contains 29 sheets of xerox copies;

"Bible or Holy Scripture", Publishing House of the Biblical and Orthodox Mission Institute, Bucharest, 2015, 1416 pages, original;

"Christian-Orthodox Calendar, 2018", Edited by the Archdiocese of Bucharest and the Romanian Patriarchate, Printed at Tipografia Carţilor Bucharest, 48 pages, original;

Compact Disc containing 3 files: adreseprobe, annexa3, statut_bor.

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