

***ADDRESS OF HIS HOLINESS POPE BENEDICT XVI
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS
ACCREDITED TO THE HOLY SEE***

*Sala Regia
Monday, 9 January 2012*

“I am proud to recall, as I did in my native country, that the Christian vision of man was the true inspiration for the framers of Germany’s Basic Law, as indeed it was for the founders of a united Europe. I would also like to bring up several encouraging signs in the area of religious freedom. I am referring to the legislative amendment whereby the public juridical personality of religious minorities was recognized in Georgia...”

(Pope Benedict XVI’s address to the diplomatic corps accredited to the Holy See for the traditional exchange of New Year Greetings, Sala Regia, Apostolic Palace, Vatican City State, Monday, 9 January 2012)