

The members of the European Cultural Parliament, convened in Edinburgh on the 26th of September 2013, state that

They are greatly concerned about the recent developments in Russia that may constrict freedom of expression for its citizens.

They regard freedom of expression as a necessary element for a vital nation and find this jeopardized by the new laws on 'insulting people's religious feelings in public' and 'propagating homosexuality among minors' and the committee on the falsification of history.

They urge those in power to be aware of the possible negative consequences and where possible in the future honour the freedom of expression of its citizens.

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