

THE CONSTITUTION OF ROMANIA *

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Article 4

(2) Romania is the common and indivisible homeland of all its citizens, without any discrimination on account of race, nationality, ethnic origin, language, religion, gender, opinion, political affiliation, property or social origin.

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Equal Rights

Article 16

(1) Citizens are equal before the law and public authorities, without any privilege or discrimination.

(2) No one is above the law.

(3) Access to public, civil or military, positions or dignities is granted, according to the law, to persons whose citizenship is Romanian and whose domicile is within the country. The Romanian Stateshall guarantee equal opportunities for men and women to occupy such positions and dignities.

(4) Once Romania has acceded to the European Union, the Union's citizens who comply with the requirements of the organic law have the right to elect and be elected in the local public administration bodies.

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Freedom of Expression

Article 30

(7) Any defamation of the country and the nation, any instigation to a war of aggression, to national, racial, class or religious hatred, any incitement to discrimination, territorial separatism, or public violence, as well as any obscene conduct contrary to morality shall be prohibited by law.

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