

Five minutes to take a stand for faith and freedom!

Two ways to run it. Choose one and use the script for that option.

OPTION A · PAGE 1

Video, then the slides

60 sec speaking · 2-min video · 2 min on the slides. About 5 minutes.

OPTION B · PAGE 2

Slides only, no video

90 sec speaking · 2 min on the slides. About 4 minutes.

Tell your sound and screen team before the service

1. Download the slides — and, for Option A, download the video from Resources at forsa.org.za. Test the sound.
2. **Option A: the QR code at the end of the video disappears when playback stops.** Pause on that final frame and hold it, or switch straight to the QR slide. Never let the screen go blank.
3. The QR code must stay on the screen for **at least two minutes**. The pastor signals when to move on.
4. Check the QR code scans from the back row; drop the house lights if the screen washes out.
5. Have the link ready for the church WhatsApp group: dearsouthafrica.co.za/state-control-of-religion

OPTION A Video, then the slides

BEFORE THE VIDEO

Title slide up

"Before we go any further, I want you to take out your cell phone. In a few minutes, there will be a QR code on that screen, and I want every one of us ready to scan it.

Here is why. The CRL Rights Commission has restarted its push for State regulation of religion in South Africa, and for the first time the public is being asked to comment. Compulsory registration for churches and ministries. Codes of conduct enforced by a State-appointed council. Sanctions against religious leaders who do not comply. These are proposals, not law — which is exactly why now is the moment to speak.

We are going to watch a short video from FOR SA that explains it, and when it ends we are going to take two minutes, together, to make our submissions. So phones out, unlocked, and ready."

Say nothing over it. Stay where the congregation can see you.

PLAY THE VIDEO

2 minutes

VIDEO ENDS

QR slide up

"That is all it takes — two minutes. Point your camera at the code on the screen now and tap the link that comes up. Here is what you will see: **[Advance through the three step slides as you speak each one.]**

- 1 **You have scanned.** It takes you through to the Dear South Africa page, where you make your submission. FOR SA has partnered with this independent public-participation platform so that your voice is recorded and counted.
- 2 **Then answer the questions.** There are a few simple choices in drop-down boxes. You have the option to write your own words in the comment box or to use the text of FOR SA's objection — your choice. If you choose FOR SA's objection, the wording is already written for you and will auto-fill the comment box.
- 3 **Finally, fill in your details and hit SEND.** Your name and email address only verify the submission; they are not published. Check the email address is right, hit send, and a confirmation page will tell you that your submission has gone through.

That is it. Let's do it now. I will wait."

HOLD THE ROOM

Two minutes

Now stay quiet. Do not fill the silence — people need to concentrate, and talking makes them stop. Watch the room. When most heads come up, say:

"If you need more time, take a bit more time. The code stays on the screen."

Two minutes is usually right. You judge it; do not rush it.

CLOSE

15 seconds

"Thank you. One submission may be a whisper. Tens of thousands become a voice that cannot be ignored. The link is going into our WhatsApp group — please send it on today to your family, your friends and your networks. And if you did not manage it now, please make a point of doing it sometime today."

Use this if you are not showing the video. **You carry the explanation yourself, so the opening is a little longer.** Everything from the QR slide onwards is the same.

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The State should not control how religious communities worship, organise themselves, or express their faith lawfully. This is not about protest. It is about participation. Many people will not be able to attend the consultations in person, which is why FOR SA has partnered with Dear South Africa to make it simple to make a submission online. And if ordinary believers, churches, ministries and faith-based organisations do not speak, others may speak for us.

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ADVANCE

QR slide up

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