

# *U.S. Presidential Executive Order Seeks to Expand Political Role for Religious Leaders*

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Washington, May 6 (RHC)-- U.S. President Donald Trump has signed an executive order relaxing rules on tax-exempt religious groups that could expand the role of churches and religious leaders in U.S. politics.

In a statement, American Civil Liberties Union Director Anthony Romero promised a lawsuit, saying: "The actions taken today are a broadside to our country's long-standing commitment to the separation of church and state. It's clear that the Trump administration and Congressional leadership are using religion as a wedge to further divide the country and permit discrimination."

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