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## [Asia Bibi pleads for justice for victims of Pakistan's harsh blasphemy laws as she plans to settle in Europe](#) [1]

### Source Item:

[Asia Bibi pleads for justice for victims of Pakistan's harsh blasphemy laws as she plans to settle in Europe](#) [2]

### Country:

Pakistan

### News Date:

31/08/2019

### Summary:

As Asia Bibi sits free at last in a secret location in Canada, the Pakistani Christian woman who spent years on death row after a false blasphemy charge thinks of those left behind still facing the same ordeal. Nearly four months after the 54-year-old finally left Pakistan following a miscarriage of justice that caused worldwide outcry, she has the opportunity to rebuild a new life for her and her daughters. Yet while she is enthusiastically grateful for the international efforts to free her, she says the world should know that

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## [The Unsafe Space of the First Day of School](#) [3]

Author(s):

[Gatestone Institute](#) [4]

[Andrew Ash](#) [5]

### Source Item:

[The Unsafe Space of the First Day of School](#) [6]

### Summary:

- Incoming innocents, entering into such an unsafe space as the first day of school, are increasingly less likely to encounter any requirement for inner strength as they face, for the first time, the perils of the world without maternal protection.
- Yearned-for amendments to the facts of life, previously intended to equip a child against the rough and tumble of the "school of life," have been replaced by the notion that refusing to hear anything that might offend one is not a choice, but a right. Why argue with creatures who have an opposing view when you can simply shut them down?

- The tech giants, big government, the media, and their willing executioners, are trying to push all opposition to the periphery.
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## [The gatekeepers of public debate can't patronise away anti-Muslim bigotry](#) [7]

### **Source Item:**

The gatekeepers of public debate can't patronise away anti-Muslim bigotry

### **Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

### **News Date:**

26/08/2019

### **Summary:**

All-party parliamentary groups do not have any power to change the law or government policy. But this report has been uncritically embraced in much of Westminster and by some local authorities and public bodies. The government has rightly rejected it, but it still seems set to have a significant influence on the rough parameters of acceptable public debate on Islam for years to come.

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## [Denmark: How to Deal with Integration?](#) [8]

### **Source Item:**

[Denmark: How to Deal with Integration?](#) [9]

### **Country:**

Denmark

### **News Date:**

20/08/2019

### **Summary:**

- How does a society deal with religious institutions that profess values which are the very opposite of the value system of the Western society in which they live?
  - "When I was in high school, there were around 50,000 people with a non-Western background in Denmark. Today, there are almost half a million. In one generation, our country has changed". — Lars Løkke Rasmussen, then prime minister of Denmark, January 1, 2019.
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## [UK: Social media network promoting Western, anti-terror Muslim identity is covert government program](#) [10]

**Source Item:**

[UK: Social media network promoting Western, anti-terror Muslim identity is covert government program](#) [11]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

19/08/2019

**Summary:**

Why did the British government have to do this? Why weren't there any hip, anti-terror, Westernized British Muslims who did it themselves? And while This Is Woke promotes the idea that it's cool, dude, to be young and Muslim in Britain, and that all jihad terrorists need in order to drop their arms is a bit of training in the real Islam, what will those whom it influences do when jihad recruiters come around quoting Qur'an chapter and verse?

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## [The Extinction of Christians in the Middle East](#) [12]

Author(s):

[Gatestone Institute](#) [4]

[Giulio Meotti](#) [13]

**Source Item:**

[The Extinction of Christians in the Middle East](#) [14]

**Summary:**

- "I don't believe in these two words [human rights], there are no human rights. But in Western countries, there are animal rights. In Australia they take care of frogs.... Look upon us as frogs, we'll accept that — just protect us so we can stay in our land." — Metropolitan Nicodemus, the Syriac Orthodox archbishop of Mosul, *National Catholic Register*.
- "Those people are the same ones who came here many years ago. And we accepted them. We are the original people in this land. We accepted them, we opened the doors for them, and they push us to be minorities in our land, then refugees in our land. And this will be with you if you don't wake up." — Metropolitan Nicodemus.
- "Threats to pandas cause more emotion" than threats to the extinction of the Christians in the Middle East. — Amin Maalouf, French-Lebanese author, *Le Temps*.

Convert, pay or die. Five years ago, that was the "choice" the Islamic State (ISIS) gave to Christians in Mosul, then Iraq's third-largest city: either embrace Islam, submit to a religious tax or face the sword. ISIS then [marked](#) [15] Christian houses with the Arabic letter ن (N), the first letter of the Arabic word "Nasrani" ("Nazarene," or "Christian") . Christians could often take no more than the clothes on their back and flee a city that had been home to Christians for [1,700 years](#) [16].

Two years ago, ISIS was defeated in Mosul and its Caliphate crushed. The extremists, however, had succeeded in "cleansing" the Christians. Before the rise of ISIS, there were [more](#) [17] than 15,000 Christians there. In July 2019, the Catholic charity, Aid to the Church in Need, [disclosed](#) [18] that only about 40 Christians have come back. Not long ago, Mosul had "[Christmas celebrations without Christians](#) [19]".

This cultural genocide, thanks to the indifference of Europeans and many Western Christians more worried about not appearing "Islamophobic" than defending their own brothers, sadly worked.

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## [Jihadi Jack: Isis fighter stripped of British citizenship by Home Office](#) [20]

**Source Item:**

[Jihadi Jack: Isis fighter stripped of British citizenship by Home Office](#) [21]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

18/08/2019

**Summary:**

The Isis fighter known as Jihadi Jack has been stripped of his British citizenship, [prompting a diplomatic row between the UK and Canada, it has been reported](#). [22] It was reportedly one of the last actions of Theresa May's administration.

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## [Public Health England changes vaccination advice to consult 'faith' leaders](#) [23]

**Source Item:**

[Public Health England changes vaccination advice to consult 'faith' leaders](#) [24]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

15/08/2019

**Summary:**

A public health body has removed a suggestion that people seek advice from "faith leaders" over whether to vaccinate their children after the National Secular Society questioned it. Public Health England (PHE) has altered a public facing [leaflet](#) [25] which said people "may wish to seek advice from your faith leaders or other community leaders" over whether

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## [GCSE student disqualified after 'over zealous' examiner mistook vegetarianism for Islamophobia](#) [26]

**Source Item:**

[GCSE student disqualified after 'over zealous' examiner mistook vegetarianism for Islamophobia](#) [27]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

18/08/2019

**Summary:**

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**[Animals die in agony for halal meat because of ignorance by Muslim scholars, study finds](#)** [28]**Source Item:**

[Animals die in agony for halal meat because of ignorance by Muslim scholars, study finds](#) [29]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

24/10/2016

**Summary:**

MORE animals than ever before are dying in agony because of halal meat practices which means they are not stunned before their throats are slit, it has emerged. Traditionally, cows, sheep and chickens are rendered unconscious before being slaughtered to minimise their suffering. However, researchers at the University of Bristol found that some Muslim abattoirs are ignoring the EU regulations to stun animals as they do not believe it is “halal” which requires animals to bleed out while alive.

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**[What Does “Allahu Akbar” Mean?](#)** [30]

## Author(s):

[Jihad Watch](#) [31]

[Hugh Fitzgerald](#) [32]

**Source Item:**

[What Does “Allahu Akbar” Mean?](#) [33]

**Summary:**

Why is it that the New York Times and the Washington Post and the Guardian, when they bother to english it at all, continue to translate “Allahu akbar” as “God is great”? Why does the BBC stick with “God is greatest”? And why can't the Western media that, with “God is greater,” come the closest to what the phrase means, convey the proper meaning by adding a few words: “Our God is greater than your God”? It could reflect ignorance: they just don't know what the phrase, when used by jihadis, means. Or it could reflect a deliberate desire not to convey the true meaning of the phrase, with its obvious supremacism that can only harden hearts and minds against Muslims. And that, of course, would never do.

Now supposing some intelligent journalists — even at the Times, even at the Post — are willing to concede that the best way to translate the phrase “Allahu akbar” is “**Our God is greater than your God.**” But they are faced with doubters, who insist that that translation is too long and too unwieldy for a newspaper article. Just think, they say, of how it would read: “Mert Ney shouted ‘Allahu akbar’ (‘Our God is greater than your God’) as he stabbed random people in Sydney.” Or imagine someone on the radio saying it: “Said Kouachi shouted ‘Allahu akbar’ (‘Our God is greater than your God’) as he ran from the office of Charlie Hebdo.” It could be rejected for its length alone. There is a simple way to convey the meaning of “Allahu akbar,” without having to add all those words. That is to begin with the possessive pronoun: “*Our* God is greater.” The “Our” is in obvious opposition to the unstated “Your.” And the triumphalist essence of “Allahu akbar,” when a jihadi uses the phrase — “Our God is greater than Your God” — is properly conveyed.

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## [Austria: Muslim cab drivers refuse to take dogs, taxi center says “we are not in a position to solve this problem”](#) [34]

### **Source Item:**

[Austria: Muslim cab drivers refuse to take dogs, taxi center says “we are not in a position to solve this problem”](#) [35]

### **Country:**

Austria

### **News Date:**

15/08/2019

### **Summary:**

“Taking dogs in Innsbruck taxis remains an adventure,” translated from “Mitnahme von Hunden in Innsbrucker Taxis bleibt ein Aufreger,” by Michael Domanig, [Tiroler Tageszeitung](#) [36], August 8, 2019 (thanks to [Searchlight Germany](#) [37]):

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## [Just don’t call it war](#) [38]

Author(s):

[Spectator](#) [39]

[Boris Johnson](#) [40]

### **Source Item:**

[Just don’t call it war](#) [41]

### **Summary:**

Boris Johnson says it is time to reassert British values in the face of extremist Islam.

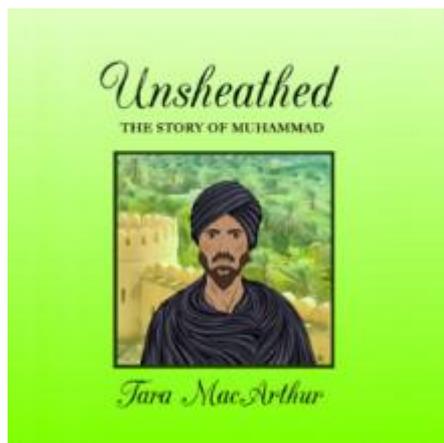
Supporters of the war have retorted that Iraq cannot be said to be a whole and sufficient explanation for the existence of suicidal Islamic cells in the West, and they, too, have a point. The threat from Islamicist nutters preceded 9/11; they bombed the Paris Métro in the 1990s; and it is evident that the threat to British lives pre-dates the Iraq war, when you think that roughly the same number of Britons died in the World Trade Center as died in

last week's bombings. In other words, the Iraq war did not create the problem of murderous Islamic fundamentalists, though the war has unquestionably sharpened the resentments felt by such people in this country, and given them a new pretext. The Iraq war did not introduce the poison into our bloodstream but, yes, the war did help to potentiate that poison. And whatever the defenders of the war may say, it has not solved the problem of Islamic terror, or even come close to providing the beginnings of a solution. You can't claim to be draining the swamp in the Middle East when the mosquitoes are breeding quite happily in Yorkshire.

The question is what action we take now to solve the problem in our own country, and what language we should use to describe such action. The first step, as we swaddle London and Yorkshire with Police/Do Not Cross tape, is to ban the phrase 'war on terror', as repeatedly used by G.W. Bush, most recently on 7 July in Edinburgh, with Blair nodding beside him. There is nothing wrong in principle in waging war on an abstract noun; the British navy successfully waged a war on slavery, by which they meant a war on slavers. But if we continue to say that we are engaged in a war with these people, then we concede several points to the enemy, and set up a series of odious false equivalences.

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## [Unsheathe - the Story of Muhammad](#) [42]



[42]

### Source Item:

[Unsheathe - the Story of Muhammad](#) [43]

Author(s):

[Tara MacArthur](#) [44]

### Summary:

Available in various formats from: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1eMpqxT32YgJjCFqFwfsq-Se3UOuH-l> [45]

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[Pakistan: "Every year at least a thousand girls are kidnapped, raped, and forced to convert to Islam"](#) [46]

**Source Item:**

[Pakistan: "Every year at least a thousand girls are kidnapped, raped, and forced to convert to Islam"](#) [47]

**Country:**

Pakistan

**News Date:**

14/08/2019

**Summary:**

The brutal persecution of young Christian girls in Pakistan is ongoing, and largely ignored by "feminists" and fake human rights activists, who call it "Islamophobic" to shed light on such atrocities:

**[Islamic Civilisation: Four Challenges](#)** [48]



[48]

**Source Item:**

[Islamic Civilisation: Four Challenges](#) [49]

Author(s):

[Yahya-Cholil-Staquf](#) [50]

**Summary:**

**An extract from a paper presented to an Islamic conference in Nov 2017:**

***The way I see it, what ISIS did was that they want to force the reality of today's living to be following what is in the source of Islamic teaching. Everything they [ISIS] did, they have the justification from the authoritative references of Islamic teachings.***

Now, when we are thinking about whether Islam is compatible to democracy or not, we then have to observe the mindset of Muslims about Islam. The question would be: is the mindset of Muslims about Islam compatible to democracy? When we look into the references in classical discourse of Islam, we will find several problematic elements there. I can point out among many problematic elements - four centers of concerns - related to not just democracy but to the nature of our current civilisation.

The first is the teaching about relationship between Muslims and non-Muslims. In the classical discourse of Islamic teaching, the dominant view of this matter is that Muslims and non-Muslims are enemies. The basic norm of the relationship between Muslims and non-Muslims are enmity. That is what's dominant in the classical discourse of Islamic teaching. For example, in the tafsir Quran by At-Tobari, or At-Tabarani or Ibnu Kathir, it was stated that non-Muslims, meaning infidel, is permissible to be killed merely because of their infidelity. That is there in the discourse. We also, for example, have in the very famous book in Shafi' tradition, I'anatuth Thalibin, whereby it is stated there that Muslims have the collective obligation to do expansive jihad towards non-Muslims at least once a year. It is there in the discourse. So, we still have this problematic element in the reference that is still considered to be very authoritative among Muslims all over the world. Therefore, the first problematic element is the teaching about the relationship between Muslims and non-Muslims.

The second problematic element is the teaching about the conflict of religion itself. What kind of conflict? The category of conflict that is eligible to be considered as conflict of religion. For example, when the Buddhist in Myanmar attacked Muslims there, it is already a legitimate reason for Muslims everywhere in the world to declare war against the Buddhists. I believe you are all aware that these kinds of arguments have also been the arguments that the terrorists groups such as ISIS and Al-Qaeda used to attract Muslims to join them. Because the infidels from America attack Muslims in Iraq and in the Middle East, then it is a legitimate reason for Muslims to attack any Western infidels all over the world. That is their argument. And it is justified in the classical course of Islamic teaching.

The third problematic element would be the existence of nation states. You see, nation state is now the base of our current world order. The world order we have now is based on the existence of nation states but this is something new and there is no normative base about nation state in the classical discourse of Islamic teaching. What is dominant there in the discourse of Islamic teaching is the obligation for Muslims to struggle for one grand imamate meaning one universal political system under one Muslim ruler. It is in there in the classical discourse of Islamic teaching.

Then, the fourth problematic thing would be the status of state laws as the alternative of Shariah. How would Shariah see the state laws? State laws that are produced by modern political processes, by democracy. Is it an obligation for Muslims to follow the state laws or should they reject the state laws and follow the Shariah instead? Is following state laws such as the traffic regulation an obligation for Muslim, a "Shariah obligation" for Muslim, or is it just a worldly affair not related to religion? All these are centers of our concern regarding Islamic teachings because it is still recorded in the most authoritative references of Islamic teaching.

See also:

*Among Muslims and non-Muslims, there is an urgent need to address those obsolete and problematic elements of Islamic orthodoxy that underlie the Islamist worldview, fuelling violence on both sides. The world's largest Muslim organisation, Indonesia's Nahdlatul Ulama, of which I am General Secretary, has begun to do exactly that.*

*The truth, we recognise, is that **jihadist doctrine, goals and strategy can be traced to specific tenets of orthodox, authoritative Islam** and its historic practice. This includes those portions of Shariah that promote Islamic supremacy, encourage enmity towards non-Muslims and require the establishment of a caliphate. It is these elements - **still taught by most Sunni and Shiite institutions - that constitute a summons to perpetual conflict.***

<http://newageislam.com/current-affairs/yahya-cholil-staquf/how-can-muslims-and-non-muslims-together--prevent-another-atrocity-like-the-one-in-christchurch?/d/118127> [51]

## [Indonesia's slide towards identity politics - Abusing blasphemy legislation](#) [52]

### **Source Item:**

[Indonesia's slide towards identity politics - Abusing blasphemy legislation](#) [53]

### **Country:**

Indonesia

### **News Date:**

14/08/2019

### **Summary:**

However, a rumour spread in her neighbourhood that Meiliana wanted *adzan* to be banned altogether. This rumour provoked public anger and in the week that followed vigilantes burned down numerous Buddhist temples. Eight rioters were arrested and convicted, receiving jail terms of one to four months. After investigating the riot, the local police described Meiliana as the provocateur and formally accused her of blasphemy.

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## [‘Islamophobia’ not coming from the source that many may think](#) [54]

Author(s):

[Fahrenheit211](#) [55]

[Yahya-Cholil-Staquf](#) [50]

### **Source Item:**

[‘Islamophobia’ not coming from the source that many may think](#) [56]

### **Summary:**

Sometimes challenges to jihadist orthodoxies come from the most surprising places. A challenge to the idea that ‘Islamophobia’ equals racism has been made by an influential and seemingly widely supported Islamic cleric.

Yahya Cholil Staquf, the leader of an Indonesia based Islamic sect that claims 90 million adherents that it was some aspects of Islam itself that are creating and sustaining conflict. Mr Staquf wrote an article in the UK Daily Telegraph and quoted by the website of the Christian Barnabas Fund, in which he said that the ‘Islamic mindset must change’. He took aim at the Islamic orthodoxy that fuels both jihadists and other Islamic extremists in places like Europe and called that orthodoxy ‘obsolete and problematic’ and “fuelling violence on both sides”.

Mr Staquf is in my opinion correct in his assertions. Many of us do not despise Islam for reasons related to ignorance or mindless bigotry, but because of the theology of Islam that propels some Muslims to do the most appalling things. These terrible things are done either in the name of Islam or because the perpetrators grew up in a culture that promoted Islamic orthodoxy and that has become the world view of these individuals. It is as Mr Staquf said the ‘perpetual enmity’ between Muslim and non Muslim that is encouraged by shariah law and has its roots in the Koran. It is good to see this cleric be honest and admit that Islamic terrorism is everything to do with Islam.

## [To prevent another Christchurch, Islam must confront the attacks in its name that have radicalised the West](#) [57]

Jihad means to war against non-Muslims...signifying warfare to establish the religion.  
The caliph (o25) makes war upon Jews, Christians, and Zoroastrians (N: provided he has first invited them to enter Islam in faith and practice, and if they will not, then invited them to enter the social order of Islam by paying the non-Muslim poll tax...which is the significance of their paying it, not the money itself...while the war continues until they become Muslim or else pay the non-Muslim poll tax... "Fight those who do not believe in Allah and the Last Day... until they pay the poll tax out of hand and are humbled" (Koran 9.29)  
[http://mappingsharia.com/?page\\_id=79](http://mappingsharia.com/?page_id=79)

[57]

### Source Item:

[To prevent another Christchurch, Islam must confront the attacks in its name that have radicalised the West](#) [58]

Author(s):

[Yahya-Cholil-Staquf](#) [50]

[Telegraph\(UK\)](#) [59]

### Summary:

Among Muslims and non-Muslims, there is an urgent need to address those obsolete and problematic elements of Islamic orthodoxy that underlie the Islamist worldview, fuelling violence on both sides. The world's largest Muslim organisation, Indonesia's Nahdlatul Ulama, of which I am General Secretary, has begun to do exactly that.

**The truth, we recognise, is that jihadist doctrine, goals and strategy can be traced to specific tenets of orthodox, authoritative Islam and its historic practice. This includes those portions of Shariah that promote Islamic supremacy, encourage enmity towards non-Muslims and require the establishment of a caliphate. [60] It is these elements - still taught by most Sunni and Shiite institutions - that constitute a summons to perpetual conflict.**

It is our firm view that, if Muslims do not address the key tenets of Islamic tradition that encourage this violence, anyone - at any time - can harness them to defy what they claim to be illegitimate laws and butcher their fellow citizens, whether they live in the Islamic world or the West. This is what links so many current events, from Syria to the streets of London. There is a desperate need for honest discussion of these matters. This is why it worries me to see Western political and intellectual elites weaponise the term "Islamophobia," to short-circuit analysis of a complex phenomenon that threatens all humanity. For example, it is factually incorrect and counter-productive to define Islamophobia as "rooted in racism," as proposed by the All-Party Parliamentary Group on British Muslims. In reality, it is the spread of Islamist extremism and terror that primarily contributes to the rise of Islamophobia throughout the non-Muslim world. That is why it is vital to challenge the prevailing "Muslim mindset," which is predicated upon enmity and suspicion towards non-Muslims, and often rationalises perpetrating violence in the name of Islam. Otherwise, non-Muslims will continue to be radicalised by Islamist attacks and by large-scale Muslim migration to the West.

See also:

[Islam must confront the attacks in its name that have radicalised the West](#) [61] where this article appeared in the UK press.

<https://www.fahrenheit211.net/2019/04/05/islamophobia-not-coming-from-the-source-that-many-may-think/>

[56]

<https://religionunplugged.com/news/2019/4/3/muslim-leader-yahya-cholil-staqf-need-to-address-problematic-elements-of-islamic-orthodoxy-after-christchurch-attack> [62]

<https://barnabasfund.org/en/news/leading-muslim-cleric-says-islamophobia-a-result-of-islamic-extremism-and-not-racism> [63]

<https://clarionproject.org/indonesia-islamophobia-just-a-response-to-islamic-extremism/> [64]

<https://blogs.spectator.co.uk/2019/03/the-muslim-leader-who-offers-an-example-on-how-to-tackle-islamism/> [65]

<http://newageislam.com/current-affairs/yahya-cholil-staqf/how-can-muslims-and-non-muslims-together--prevent-another-atrocity-like-the-one-in-christchurch?/d/118127> [51]

## **Obama's Genocides** [66]

Author(s):

[The Tablet](#) [67]

### **Source Item:**

[Obama's Genocides](#) [68]

### **Summary:**

Five years after the Islamic State's massacre of Yazidis in Sinjar, Iraq, it seems harder than ever to get Western leaders to live up to protecting minority ethnic or religious groups from extinction in the Middle East.

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## **Kashmiri Hindu exiles plan return** [69]

### **Source Item:**

[Kashmiri Hindu exiles plan return](#) [70]

### **Country:**

India

### **News Date:**

11/08/2019

### **Summary:**

But recollections of his home town stop age four-and-a-half when he was forced to flee to Delhi with three generations of his family as brutal majority Muslim mobs ran riot. "I hope that no child in the world has to see what

I have seen," Rohit said.

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## [Two women accused of using Muslim dress for shoplifting spree](#) [71]

### **Source Item:**

[Two women accused of using Muslim dress for shoplifting spree](#) [72]

### **Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

### **News Date:**

07/08/2019

### **Summary:**

Two women in Muslim dress were caught in an apparent attempt to use their outfits to steal dozens of items from a supermarket.

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## [Sweden: Whitewashing Its Anti-Semitism?](#) [73]

### **Source Item:**

[Sweden: Whitewashing Its Anti-Semitism?](#) [74]

### **Country:**

Sweden

### **News Date:**

08/08/2019

### **Summary:**

- So far, expressing anti-Semitic views as a Social Democrat politician in Malmö has apparently been acceptable. Even though the party has publicly said it regretted the incidents, no one has yet had to resign because of them.
- The memory of the Holocaust should not be reduced to a photo-op to whitewash Malmö's ruling politicians. Remembering the Holocaust is about clearly counteracting the conditions that created the Holocaust: the normalization of anti-Semitism.

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## [New Encyclopedia of the Qur'an professes to show that the Islamic holy book teaches peace](#) [75]

Author(s):

[Jihad Watch](#) [31]

[Robert Spencer](#) [76]

**Source Item:**

[New Encyclopedia of the Qur'an professes to show that the Islamic holy book teaches peace](#) [77]

**Summary:**

This is the work of Muhammad Tahir-ul-Qadri, which in itself makes it suspect. Tahir ul-Qadri is widely hailed as a “moderate” because of his massive [Fatwa on Terrorism and Suicide Bombings](#) [78], but that jaw-droppingly windy document is [just another exercise in deception](#) [79]. In fact, Tahir ul-Qadri is [the framer of Pakistan's inhuman blasphemy laws](#) [80]. And here he purports to show how the Qur'an, properly understood, promotes peace. This only leads to the inevitable question: if this is so, why do so many Muslims worldwide misunderstand the Qur'an's peaceful message, and why do they all misunderstand it in the same way? In reality, as I show in my [“Blogging the Qur'an” series](#) [81] and in *The Complete Infidel's Guide to the Koran* (which you can order [here](#) [82]), mainstream and authoritative Islamic commentators understand the Qur'an to be teaching that is the Muslims' responsibility to pursue warfare against and the subjugation of unbelievers. Here again, how is it that these men, who dedicated their lives to understanding the Qur'an properly, instead misunderstand it so drastically? I'm sure Tahir-ul-Qadri will have no answer to that.

“Koran encyclopaedia hopes to promote peace,” by Kaya Burgess, [The Times](#) [83], August 6, 2019:

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**[Removal of British Isil fighters' citizenship backed in first high court judgement](#)** [84]

**Source Item:**

[Removal of British Isil fighters' citizenship backed in first high court judgement](#) [85]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

07/08/2019

**Summary:**

British Isil fighters can be legally stripped of their citizenship, the High Court has ruled in the first case of its kind.

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**[British Muslims should not feel forced to assimilate, says top counter terrorism officer](#)** [86]

**Source Item:**

[British Muslims should not feel forced to assimilate, says top counter terrorism officer](#) [87]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

07/08/2019

**Summary:**

"British Muslims should not be forced to "assimilate", the country's most senior counter terrorism officer has said, as he called for greater understanding of marginalised communities."

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**Email-1 [88]**

Submitted by Lancastrian on 5. August 2019 - 17:35

[Read more about Email-1 \[88\]](#)

 [PDF version \[89\]](#)

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**[Jeremy Corbyn's leadership has 'radicalised' some Labour members into attacking Israel and Jews, report finds \[90\]](#)****Source Item:**

[Jeremy Corbyn's leadership has 'radicalised' some Labour members into attacking Israel and Jews, report finds \[91\]](#)

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

04/08/2019

**Summary:**

Jeremy Corbyn's leadership of the Labour party has "radicalised" some members so they are now publicly attacking Israel and Jews, according to a report. A dossier submitted to an official inquiry reveals how a series of Labour members became "obsessed" with Israel after [Mr Corbyn's election \[92\]](#).

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**[Mauritania: Man held for two extra years in prison on blasphemy charges as Muslims call for his execution \[93\]](#)****Source Item:**

[Mauritania: Man held for two extra years in prison on blasphemy charges as Muslims call for his execution \[94\]](#)

**Country:**

Mauritania

**News Date:**

03/08/2019

**Summary:**

This is a great injustice, but they could have put him to death, as the mob wishes to do. There is much support in the Qur'an and Sunnah for the death penalty for blasphemy. It can arguably be found in this verse: "Indeed, the

penalty for those who wage war against Allah and His Messenger and strive upon earth [to cause] corruption is none but that they be killed or crucified or that their hands and feet be cut off from opposite sides or that they be exiled from the land. That is for them a disgrace in this world; and for them in the Hereafter is a great punishment." (5:33)

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## [Systematic Discrimination: Christians Under Egyptian Rule](#) [95]

**Source Item:**

[Systematic Discrimination: Christians Under Egyptian Rule](#) [96]

**Country:**

Egypt

**News Date:**

30/07/2019

**Summary:**

Coptic Solidarity (CS), an international human rights organization [devoted](#) [97] to ameliorating the plight of Egypt's indigenous inhabitants—the Christian Copts—recently published a comprehensive [report](#) [98] on why the Egyptian government systematically dis

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## [Midlands GP investigated after 'asking Muslim mum to remove niqab' during appointment](#) [99]

**Source Item:**

[Midlands GP investigated after 'asking Muslim mum to remove niqab' during appointment](#) [100]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

18/05/2019

**Summary:**

A GP in the Midlands is being investigated by the General Medical Council after asking a Muslim mum to take off her niqab during an appointment. The 52-year-old claimed he politely asked her to take it off and that the woman allegedly "willingly agreed to the request" as the three of them sat alone in a consulting room. But half an hour later her husband arrived and she complained to NHS bosses about the incident.

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## [The anti-RSE campaign has echoes of the Rushdie affair](#) [101]

**Source Item:**

[The anti-RSE campaign has echoes of the Rushdie affair](#) [102]

**Country:**

United Kingdom (UK)

**News Date:**

23/05/2019

**Summary:**

As the campaign against relationships and sex education spreads and grows increasingly aggressive, Yasmin Rehman says politicians' pandering to intolerance will be a disaster for LGBT people, Muslims and wider society.

The protesters are not simply a group of misguided or misinformed parents. This is a coordinated effort to force our schools to accept an Islamist agenda.

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## [West Papua's silent genocide](#) [103]

**Source Item:**

[West Papua's silent genocide](#) [104]

**Country:**

Indonesia

**News Date:**

31/08/2017

**Summary:**

The [Free West Papua Campaign](#) [105] states:

"Over 500,000 civilians have been killed in a genocide against the indigenous population. Thousands more have been raped, tortured, imprisoned or 'disappeared' after being detained. Basic human rights such as freedom of speech are denied and Papuans live in a constant state of fear and intimidation."

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## [Indonesia has a dark, dirty secret which could amount to genocide](#) [106]

**Source Item:**

[Indonesia has a dark, dirty secret which could amount to genocide](#) [107]

**Country:**

Indonesia

**News Date:**

20/09/2017

**Summary:**

**2. It's possible that Indonesian rule constitutes a genocide**

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**Source URL (retrieved on 28/02/2020):** <https://shariawatch.org.uk/?q=archive/201908>

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