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"Islamophobia is an alliance between parts of the left and Islamists in the fight for a 'new Judeophobia' that is masked as anti-Zionism."

Pierre-André Taguieff (French philosopher)

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Criticism of Political Islam is protection of our Western civilization

Instead of engaging with factually sound information about the nature and goals of Political Islam, large segments of British politics and the media declare this educational work to create the image of an enemy. A substantive debate with the factually supported arguments does not take place.

Instead, attempts are made to criminalize criticism of Political Islam (using terms like "racism", "incitement to hatred", "hate speech", etc.) in order to suppress the urgently needed discussion on this important topic. Factually sound criticism of antidemocratic activities of Political Islam, as well as attacks by politicians on freedom of expression, is a form of protection of our European civilization.



About the work of citizens' movement PAX EUROPA e.V.

We at the citizens' movement PAX EUROPA have been tirelessly raising awareness for over ten years about the human rights violations and antidemocratic tendencies emanating from Political Islam. We publish and distribute informational materials, hold information booths and rallies throughout Germany, issue public statements, and address open letters to political decision-makers and members of parliament. In the past, we have also participated in OSCE conferences. Our work is politically independent and non-denominational. Every democrat and human rights activist is warmly welcome and invited to collaborate with us. If our educational work convinces modern, democratic, and freedom loving Muslims to distance themselves from Political Islam and its Sharia law, an important step will have been taken towards enabling Islam to integrate harmoniously into our society as a secular and purely spiritual religion. Without a claim to worldly power, which is to be enforced with the legitimacy of violence and killing, without legislation from the 7th century that is largely contrary to human rights, without discrimination against other religions, without oppression of women, and without hostility towards minorities such as homosexuals.

„Civil society is the end, and the state is the means to protect it. The social world emerges through free association, rooted in friendship and community life. Top-down government breeds irresponsible individuals, and the confiscation of civil society by the state leads to a widespread refusal among the citizens to act for themselves.“

Sir Roger Scruton



Focal Point Political Islam

Democracy and human rights in grave danger

Initial situation and problems

Today's living conditions in Germany and Europe are not something to be taken for granted. The free societies that enable the citizens of Europe to live in freedom and self-determination had to be hard-won against various totalitarian forms of rule. "Stop it before it starts!" is the right call to action in view of a possible resurgence of totalitarian ideologies and worldviews.

But where, at this juncture, is the necessary early political and social resistance against Political Islam, which poses a major, existential threat to free society and is increasingly gaining ground and influence in Germany and Europe?

History teaches us that wherever Political Islam has gained a permanent foothold, it has marginalized or completely destroyed all established cultures and religions. The consolidation and expansion of Islamic parallel and counter-societies, the creeping introduction of Sharia law into society, the judiciary, and politics, excessive mosque construction, the increasing demonstration of power by Political Islam in the public sphere, the influence of its dominated organizations on the politics and legislation of European states, the ongoing mass immigration of followers of Political Islam to Germany and Europe, and the growing threat to internal security from jihadist violence and terror give cause for great concern and an urgent need for action.

Political Islam is increasingly tightening its grip on Europe. Its spread, accompanied by intimidation through threats and acts of violence against the non-Muslim population, is gaining momentum. European societies face one of their greatest contemporary challenges in confronting Political Islam to secure their civilizational heritage.

Political Islam

The ideological foundation of Political Islam is the Islamic scriptures, that is, the Quran and Sunna (the collections of writings about the sayings and deeds of the founder of Islam, Muhammad). In the name of his World domination claim Political Islam strives to destroy all non-Islamic religions and cultures and to impose Sharia law worldwide as a binding way of life and legal system for all people. This for all Moslems mandatory goal is to be achieved through Jihad (Arabic, "struggle/struggle for the cause of Allah").

The following characteristics are particularly distinctive of Political Islam:

- God's law, i.e. Sharia, stands above all laws created by humans.
- The state and Political Islam form an inseparable unity (caliphate).
- Division of people into superior beings and inferior beings (non-Muslims, "infidels," Arabic: kuffar).
- Subjugation of women to men.
- Inequality principle and corporal punishments of Sharia.
- Aggressive contempt for and persecution of all non-Islamic religions and cultures.
- Claim for world domination.
- Legitimation of violence and killing for the worldwide enforcement of its ideology.
- Jihad as a perpetual declaration of war against the "infidels."
- Prohibition of criticism, especially of its founder Muhammad.
- Threat of death for apostasy or conversion.

Religious freedom is crucial for Europe

Regarding the handling of Political Islam in Germany and Europe, the focus must be on educating the public about the nature and goals of this religiously based totalitarianism and on political measures to protect our democracy and the human rights.

Political Islam must not gain access to the free societies of Europe through the back door of religious freedom in order to replace them with its social system based on Sharia law. Religious freedom ought to have clear limits and must not pave the way for a totalitarian ideology that is religiously justified and ultimately strives to abolish all freedoms. The limits of religious freedom must lie where universal human rights, applicable laws, and the principles of democracy and the rule of law are violated.

It is extremely important to recognize that Islam is not yet a purely spiritual religion that has been sustainably secularized and views faith as a private matter. As long as the political components remain in the overall construct of this religion and are frequently implemented, peaceful coexistence in a society where this ideology is spreading cannot be guaranteed in the long run. The misuse of religious freedom against political Islam is increasingly becoming a matter of destiny for Europe. A "business as usual" approach to dealing with Political Islam would amount to the self-destruction of free European societies.



The Failure of Politics

The policy of whitewashing and appeasement towards Political Islam must end. A public, taboo-free debate is long overdue, one in which the human rights violations and anti-democratic aims emanating from Political Islam are clearly named. This must lead to concrete political measures to protect democracy and human rights and ensure the continued existence of free societies in Europe. The current laissez-faire policy towards Political Islam is irresponsible and recklessly jeopardizes the lives of future generations in freedom and self-determination. Politicians must finally act and confront political Islam using all democratic and constitutional means.

