

Cases and rulings

Country Code	Year	Reference details title	Reference details URL	Hate Bias motivation	Court / Body	Key facts of the case	Results (sanctions, outcome) and key consequences or implications of the case	Main reasoning / argumentation	Key issues (concepts, interpretations) clarified by the case	Key quotation in original language and translated into English with reference details
Croatia	2015	Croatia / County Court in Zagreb / Kž-573/15-3		Racial or ethnic origin	County Court in Zagreb (Županijski sud u Zagrebu)	The High Court convicted the offender of hate crime on the basis of race. In a shop owned by the victim, the offender made offensive comments based on race, for no other reason than his intolerance for persons of another race. After that, he pulled the victim by her hair and injured her. He also smashed the glass door of the shop.	Eight months of imprisonment substituted with work for common welfare in a way that one day of imprisonment is substituted with 2 hours of work.	The accused filed a complaint accepting that he smashed victim's property, however denying that his acts were motivated by hatred or intolerance towards persons of another race. The high court ruled that the first instance court correctly assessed all the facts and circumstances and that the first instance court provided substantiated reasoning for its assessment.	The High Court upheld the First Instance court's decision in qualifying this offence as an aggravated form of physical injury due to hatred on the bases of race and as a property offence in connection to hate crime as an aggravating circumstance . The High Court refers to the first instance decision for detailed reasoning without elaborating on what is hatred on the bases of race and how the offence qualifies as hate crime.	N/A

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