

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
Denmark	2015	Denmark / City Court of Glostrup / SS 1706/2015		Religion	City Court of Glostrup	A Danish politician was found guilty of incitement to violence or hatred. The former member of the Danish Parliament and the European Parliament, and currently a member of the City Council of Glostrup, had made a post on social media, Twitter, comparing Muslims to the Holocaust and concluding that they should be treated the same.	The politician was found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of DKK 8000.	To be convicted for racist remarks, the remarks have to be degrading and stated in a public forum. The politician argued in court that he assumed the post would only be visible to his 67 followers on Twitter, and that this meant that he had not made the statement in a public forum.	All cases are required to have this dual assessment: was the statement severe enough to be considered degrading and hurtful, and were they made in a public forum. In this case, the politician argued mostly that the statement was not made in a public forum, and that the basic right of freedom of speech should protect him.	No material from the court case itself is available. The statement in question was as follows: "About the situation of the Jews in Europe: The Muslims are continuing where Hitler left off. Only the treatment Hitler received, will change the situation"

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