

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	2018	Denmark / the Eastern High Court/ available in the Journal of Criminal Law (Tidsskrift for Kriminalret), TfK 2018.383 Ø (appeal decision)		Religion	National higher court (Østre Landsret)	The defendant wrote a comment on a politician's open Facebook page about a Muslim woman who is known to the public. The defendant wrote "She should be deported or shot for treason as the Muslim she is ... Ew!!!"	Both the lower and the higher court acquitted the defendant.	The lower court found the defendant not guilty of violating § 266 b, section 1 in the criminal code. The Higher court also found the defendant not guilty. The Higher court found that it was dubious whether the statement was meant to target Muslims as a group because it was expressed in a thread concerning one particular person. The Higher court therefore found that the statement was levelled at one specific person and not Muslims as a group.	The court addressed the question of whether statements against individuals can be regarded as a threat, scorn or degradation of a group of people as well. The court did not find that the statement contained a threat, scorn or degradation of Muslims as a group.	"Hun sku udvises eller skydes for landsforrædderi, som den muslim hun er...Føj!!!" "She should be deported or shot for treason as the Muslim she is ... Ew!!!"

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