

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
Slovakia	2022	Slovakia Specialised Criminal Court/ 11.16/2022 ECU/ ECU:SK-SSPC-2022-9522100174.1	https://www.justice.gov.sk/sudy-a-rozhodnutia/sudy/rozhodnutia/74eaf20-b043-40e5-b9dd-cd6abb02778b-c69da4fc-f1ce-4238-a70c-8ec37953656f	Religion	Specialized Criminal Court (Specializovaný trestný súd)	A case where the accused verbally assaulted the victim because he thought he looked like a Muslim. The accused threatened the victim with violence and also threatened to kill all Muslims. The accused also subsequently punched the victim. According to the Court, the accused committed the offence of making dangerous threats under section 360 (d) of the Criminal Code, with reference to section 140(e) of the Criminal Code (the crime was committed with a specific motive which was the hatred against a person because of his/her religion), in conjunction with the offence of defamation of the nation's race and beliefs under section 423(1)(b) of the Criminal Code.	The accused was sentenced to financial penalty 500 EUR. The ruling of the Specialized Criminal Court is final.	The accused threatened another with death or other serious harm in such a way as to cause reasonable apprehension. The act being committed for a specific motive - hatred against a group of persons or an individual because of their actual religious beliefs and publicly defamed a group of persons or an individual because of their true religion.	Key issues of the case concern: a) section 360 (d) of the Criminal Code - the offence of making dangerous threats, b) section 423(1)(b) of the Criminal Code - the offence of defamation of the nation's race and beliefs, c) section 140(e) - an offence committed with a specific motive. The accused threatened another with death or other grievous harm with hatred against a group of persons or an individual because of their actual religious beliefs and publicly defamed a group of persons or an individual because of their true religion.	"Obvinený je vinný, že sa sa inému vyhrážal smrťou, alebo inou ťažkou újmou takým spôsobom, že to mohlo vzbudiť dôvodnú obavu, pričom sa skutku dopustil z osobitného motívu - z nenávisťi voči skupine osôb alebo jednotlivcovi pre ich skutočné náboženské vyznanie a verejne hanobil skupinu osôb alebo jednotlivca pre ich skutočné náboženské vyznanie." "The accused is guilty of threatening another with death or other grievous bodily harm in such a manner as to be likely to excite reasonable fear, the offence being committed for a specific motive - hatred against a group of persons or an individual because of their actual religious beliefs and publicly defamed a group of persons or an individual because of their true religion."

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