

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
North Macedonia	2021	North Macedonia / Commission for Prevention and Protection against Discrimination (Комисија за спречување и заштита од дискриминација) / No.0801-402/1		Religion	Commission for Prevention and Protection against Discrimination (Комисија за спречување и заштита од дискриминација)	A pupil from seventh grade in a private francophone primary school was signed off unilaterally by the school itself on 30 June 2022, i.e. was expelled from the school. The legal representative of the parents raised a discrimination claim in front of the equality body claiming that the child was expelled due to their Muslim religious background. The CPPD found no discrimination.	The CPPD did not find discrimination in this case.	The CPPD looked into the circumstances of the case, including the composition of the pupils and of the pupils which exited the school without finishing their education. All other prior cases of students leaving the school were based on private reasons (for example, other students left due to their parents gaining employment in another country, or due to personal financial circumstances). The CPPD also took into consideration the principle of laicity, as well as the fact that there are both other students with different religious background and staff members who are Muslim. The CPPD concluded that it was the relationship between the parents and the school which led to the exiting of the school.	This case is important because it provides an insight as to the type of proof that the CPPD will take into consideration when discussing cases of discrimination in education.	„Комисијата од сите факти, докази и увид, констатира дека причината на отпишување на ученикот [name redacted] од Скопје е нарушениот однос на неговите родители со професорите од училиштето, со администрацијата и со директорот и воопшто нарушување на угледот на училиштето од страна родителите со што е нарушен еден од основните принципи од Училишниот Правилник.“ „Based on all facts, evidence, and insight, the CPPD found that the reason for signing off the student [name redacted] from Skopje is the disturbed relationship of the pupil's parents with the professors in the school, administration, and the Principle, and in general damaging the reputation of the school by the parents which violates one of the basic principles of the School Rulebook.“

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