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INTRODUCTION

The Presidency of Turks Abroad and Related Communities has screened the attacks launched against our diaspora since 2008 through open sources and efforts of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Presidency of Religious Affairs and published them in a report after they are verified. The report is mainly intended to improve the living standards in countries where our diaspora lives and contribute to the utmost exercise of their fundamental rights and liberties.

It is not easy to deal with being the target of any attack. It is not always possible for a survivor to report it to authorities after getting over an attack and seek legal and psychological aid. It is not easy to file a complaint or report a case because of hesitation caused by being a person with an immigration background despite being a national of the country. In some cases, it is a major barrier for survivors or witnesses to know where or how to seek help.

For the aforementioned reasons, the actual number of cases is higher than what is indicated by data collected through open sources. So much so that OSCE reports¹ "most of the hate crimes are not reported. So, we will not know the actual number of victims".

On the other hand, there seem to be some problems in translating attacks into statistics. As attacks are classified by nature, some characteristics and motives tend to be disregarded. For instance, punching a victim is billed as actual bodily harm, while the track record of the perpetrator attacking people of foreign origin is missed. In another case, a letter of hateful content addressed to a mosque can be classified as a threat.

¹<https://hatecrime.osce.org/infocus/2019-hate-crime-data-now-available>

As a result, some crimes are recorded in milder versions on official state records. This causes states to remain reluctant to combat hate speech and hate crimes in particular.

Standing out and playing a significant role in the profiles of perpetrators in recent times, the radical right is worth mentioning. It is common knowledge that radical right-wing individuals and groups from different cities and even countries interact with one another on some chat applications and encourage and praise one another for various actions regardless of their gravity. Despite this, the profiles of perpetrators are ignored, and attacks are categorized as petty crimes rather than an act of radical right or terrorism. What is worse is that these perpetrators are not deservedly punished on the grounds of being mentally unstable.

The assault launched in Enghien Street, Paris in the final days of 2022 is a case in point. While the track record of the perpetrator and the group of people that the perpetrator hurt were obvious, and the target was clearly foreigners, as noted by the press, the attack was not considered as an act of radical right-wing terrorism.

OVERVIEW OF ATTACKS AGAINST THE DIASPORA IN 2022

According to the reports on attacks released by the Presidency since 2018, the year 2022 seems to be calmer for the diaspora compared to previous years. However, the decline in the number of cases does not reflect the whole truth. In fact, the diaspora has reported through our contacts that cases are not communicated to public authorities, the foreign representative offices of the Republic of Türkiye or umbrella organizations of associations.

Among the main reasons why that is the case is that the authorities of relevant countries are not trusted to find perpetrators, launch effective and fair investigations, and compensate for losses. Another main reason is that survivors do not know, in most cases, that the attacks they face constitute a crime, or they are not informed enough about remedies even if they do.

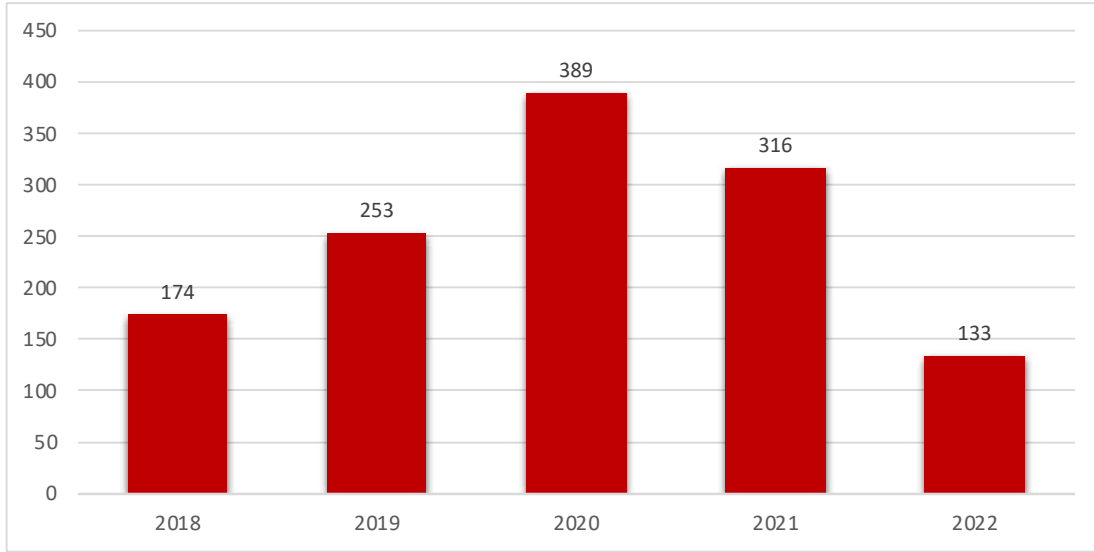
Considering the fact that the cases, which have significantly declined compared to previous years, are compiled based on cases covered by media outlets or reported to foreign offices, the Presidency of Religious Affairs, and our Presidency, it would not be right to ignore the fact that there are cases not covered by media or reported to authorities.

As for the number of cases between 2018 and 2022, the number of cases recorded is

- **174 in 2018,**
- **253 in 2019,**
- **389 in 2020,**
- **and 316 in 2021.**

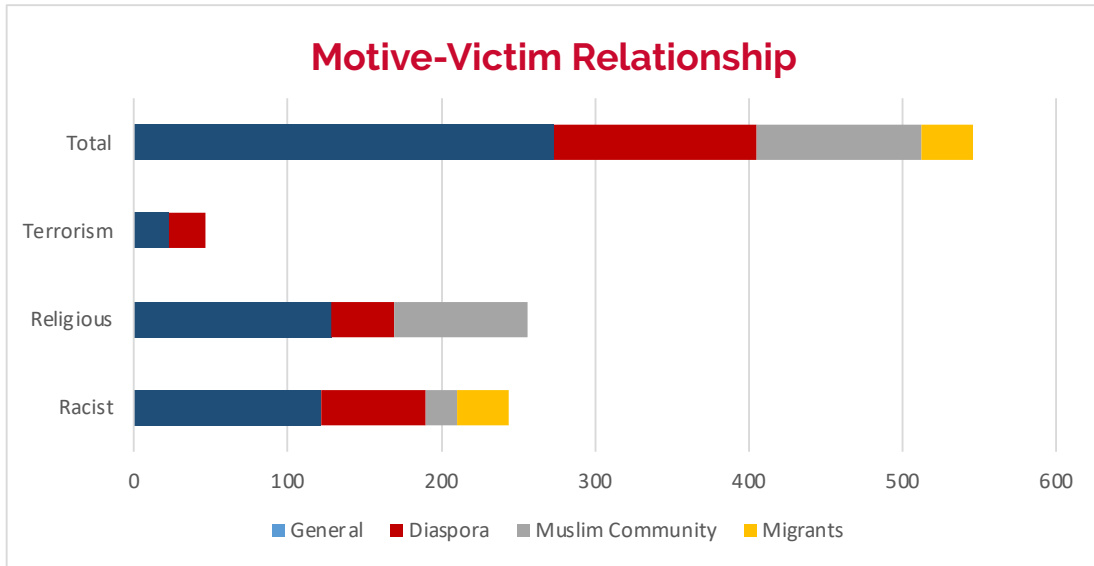
A total of 274 cases from 24 countries were recorded in 2022. 107 of the cases were against the Muslim community who was not Turkish nationals, while 34 of them were against people with immigration background, disregarding their faith. The Turkish nationals living abroad experienced 133 assaults in 24 countries throughout the year 2022.

Figures on the Cases of Assault Targeting Turkish Citizens Abroad, by Years (2018-2022)



118 of them were assaults of racism, and 133 of them were cases of discrimination based on faith, and 23 of them were attacks by PKK for the purpose of terrorism. As for the nature of the assaults against the Turkish nationals living abroad, 64 of them were racist, 46 of them were discriminatory against their faith, and 23 of them were an act of terrorism by the PKK.

As for the type of assaults, the most common one is the cases of hate speech/threat (135 cases), 62 of which were launched against our diaspora. While there has been a significant increase in the cases of personal assault (54 cases) compared to previous years, our diaspora was targeted in 17 of these cases.



Nature	Number of Attacks
Far-Right Terrorism	109
a) Islamophobia	(46)
b) Racism	(64)
PKK/PYD/YPG Terrorism	23
TOTAL	133

As in previous years, Germany is in the lead with 51 cases, France gets the second place with 17 cases, and Belgium gets the third place with 9 cases. When we look at the types of attacks, hate speech comes on top of the list with 69 cases, which is followed by mosque attacks, with 19 cases. Furthermore, with 17 cases, personal assault comes third on the list.

In 2022, 132 attacks were perpetrated against our citizens living abroad in 24 different countries. The distribution of attacks by country is as follows:

The distribution of attacks by country The distribution of attacks by types

Country	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Germany	77	51
France	46	17
Sweden	12	8
Belgium	11	9
Switzerland	8	8
Austria	6	6
USA	17	4
UK	26	3
Netherlands	22	4
Greece	4	3
Australia	11	2
Denmark	5	2
Finland	1	1
Bulgaria	1	1
Albania	2	1
Slovenia	1	1
Scotland	1	0
Italy	8	0
Canada	3	0
Norway	5	2
Poland	1	0
Russia	3	1
New Zealand	1	0
Bosnia	2	0
TOTAL	274	133

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	135	62
Mosque Attack	33	19
Personal Assault	54	17
Arson	18	9
Attack on an Association	10	10
Attack on a Foreign Representative	4	4
Murder	6	5
Attack on a Business	4	3
Attack on a Cemetery	6	2
Attack on a Vehicle	3	1
Attack on Property	1	1
TOTAL	274	133

Country Track Records

Germany, France, and Belgium rank top three countries in terms of the number of attacks staged in 2022 against our nationals residing abroad:

GERMANY

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	28	20
Mosque Attack	8	7
Personal Assault	19	10
Arson	9	5
Attack on an Association	5	5
Attack on a Foreign Representative	2	2
Attack on a Business	1	1
Attack on a Cemetery	3	1
Attack on a Vehicle	2	0
TOTAL	77	51

A total of 77 attacks were recorded in Germany in 2022. Out of 51 attacks perpetrated, where Turks were targeted or affected, the following physical attacks:

- **10 cases of personal assault (2 of them with stones, 1 of them with gun),**
- **5 cases of arson (2 mosques, 2 businesses, 1 association),**
- **causing property damage through the use of paint or stones, or due to vandalism:**
 - o **7 cases of mosque attacks,**
 - o **5 cases of attack on an association,**
 - o **2 cases of attack on a foreign representative,**
 - o **1 case of attack on business,**
 - o **1 case of attack on a cemetery,**
- **as well as 20 cases of threat and hate speech, which are considered as non-physical attacks, were recorded in Germany.**

As for the nature of the attacks, 25 of them are racist, 19 of them are Islamophobic, and 7 are PKK/PYD/YPG terrorist attacks.

FRANCE

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Mosque Attack	8	4
Hate Speech	22	3
Personal Assault	4	2
Arson	4	2
Attack on an Association	2	2
Murder	3	2
Attack on a Foreign Representative	1	1
Attack on a Business	2	1
TOTAL	46	17

A total of 46 attacks were recorded in France in 2022. Of them, 17 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks, including

- **2 attacks against individuals (one by being dragged by a car),**
- **2 attacks that resulted in the murder**
- **2 cases of arson (1 mosque, 1 business),**
- **Causing financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism**
 - **4 mosque attacks,**
 - **2 attacks against associations,**
 - **1 attack on a foreign representative,**
 - **1 attack against a business,**
- **And 3 cases of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

As for the nature of attacks, 8 of them are racist, 4 of them are Islamophobic, and 5 are PKK/PYD/YPG terrorist attacks.

BELGIUM

Type of Assaults	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults Against Turks
Hate Speech	9	7
Attack Against Mosque	2	2
TOTAL	11	9

A total of 11 attacks were recorded in Belgium in 2022. Of them, 9 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks including

- **Causing financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism**
 - **2 mosque attacks,**
- **And 7 cases of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

As for the nature of the attacks, one is racist, while 8 of them are Islamophobic.

The three countries are followed by the following countries:

NETHERLANDS

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	19	12
Arson	2	1
Personal Assault	1	0
TOTAL	22	13

A total of 22 attacks were recorded in the Netherlands in 2022. Of them, 13 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks, including

- **1 case of arson (1 business),**
- **And 12 cases of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

SWITZERLAND

Type of Assaults	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults Against Turks
Hate Speech	5	5
Attack Against Association	1	1
Arson	1	1
Attack against an individual	1	1
TOTAL	8	8

8 attacks that target or affect Turks were recorded in Switzerland in 2022. Of them, the physical attacks include

- **1 attack against individuals,**
- **1 case of arson (1 car),**
- **Causing financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism**
 - o **1 attacks against associations,**
- **And 5 cases of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

SWEDEN

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	7	4
Attack on a Vehicle	1	1
Mosque Attack	1	1
Murder	1	1
Attack on a Cemetery	1	0
Attack on Property	1	1
TOTAL	12	8

A total of 12 attacks were recorded in Sweden in 2022. Of them, 8 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks, including

- **1 attack that resulted in murder,**
- **Causing financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism**
 - **1 mosque attacks,**
 - **1 attack against a car,**
 - **1 attack against a property,**
- **And 4 cases of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

AUSTRIA

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Mosque Attack	3	3
Attack on an Association	1	1
Hate Speech	1	1
Attack against an individual	1	1
TOTAL	6	6

6 attacks that target or affect Turks were recorded in Austria in 2022. Of them, the physical attacks include

- **1 attack (stabbing) against individuals,**
- **Causing financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism**
 - o **3 mosque attacks,**
 - o **1 attacks against associations,**
- **And 1 case of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

USA

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	5	2
Personal Assault	7	1
Attack on a Foreign Representative	1	1
Mosque Attack	3	0
Attack on a Cemetery	1	0
TOTAL	17	4

A total of 76 attacks were recorded in the United States in 2022. Of them, 4 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks, including

- **1 attack (stabbing) against individuals,**
- **Causing financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism;**
 - o **1 attack on a foreign representative,**
- **And 2 cases of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

UNITED KINGDOM

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	9	2
Murder	1	1
Personal Assault	11	0
Arson	2	0
Mosque Attack	3	0
TOPLAM	26	3

A total of 26 attacks were recorded in the United Kingdom in 2022. Of them, 3 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks, including

- **1 attack that resulted in murder,**
- **And 2 cases of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

GREECE

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	2	2
Mosque Attack	1	0
Personal Assault	1	1
TOTAL	4	3

A total of 4 attacks were recorded in Greece in 2022. Of them, 3 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks, including

- **1 attack against individuals,**
- **And 2 cases of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

AUSTRALIA

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Murder	1	1
Attack Against Association	1	1
Hate Speech	9	0
TOTAL	11	2

A total of 11 attacks were recorded in Australia in 2022. Of them, 2 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks, including

- **1 attack that resulted in murder,**
- **Causing financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism**
 - o **1 attack against an association.**

DENMARK

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	2	0
Personal Assault	1	0
Mosque Attack	2	2
TOTAL	5	2

A total of 5 attacks were recorded in Denmark in 2022. Of them, 2 are physical attacks that target or affect Turks, including

- **Causing financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism**
 - o **2 mosque attacks.**

NORWAY

Type of Assaults	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults Against Turks
Hate Speech	5	2
TOTAL	5	2

A total of 5 attacks were recorded in Norway in 2022. Of them, 2 cases of threat and hate speech that target or affect Turks are hatred-driven, not physical.

FINLAND

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Attack on a Business	1	1
TOTAL	1	1

1 attack that targets or affects Turks was recorded in Finland in 2022. The attack

- **caused financial loss through paint, stone, and vandalism**
 - o **1 attack against a business.**

BULGARIA

Type of Assaults	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults Against Turks
Hate Speech	1	1
TOTAL	1	1

1 attack that targets or affects Turks was recorded in Bulgaria in 2022. The attack

- **is 1 case of threats and hate speech that are not physical but hatred-driven.**

ALBANIA

Type of Assaults	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults Against Turks
Hate Speech	2	1
TOTAL	2	1

A total of 2 attacks were recorded in Albania in 2022. Of them, 1 cases of threat and hate speech that target or affect Turks is hatred-driven, not physical.

SLOVENIA

Type of Assaults	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults Against Turks
Attack against an individual	1	1
TOTAL	1	1

1 attack that targets or affects Turks was recorded in Slovenia in 2022. The physical attack

- **was against an individual.**

RUSSIA

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	1	0
Mosque Attack	1	0
Attack on a Cemetery	1	1
TOTAL	3	1

A total of 3 attacks were recorded in Russia in 2022. Of them, 1 case was a physical attack against a cemetery that targets or affects Turks.

Other Countries With Records of Attacks that Do not Target Turks and Yet Target Other Muslim or Migrant Communities

BOSNIA

Type of Assaults	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults Against Turks
Hate Speech	1	0
Attack Against Mosque	1	0
TOTAL	2	0

CANADA

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Personal Assault	3	0
TOTAL	3	0

SCOTLAND

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	1	0
TOTAL	1	0

POLAND

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	1	0
TOTAL	1	0

ITALY

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Hate Speech	5	0
Personal Assault	3	0
TOTAL	8	0

NEW ZEALAND

Type of Attack	Total Number of Attacks	Attacks against Turks
Personal Assault	1	0
TOTAL	1	0

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Hate Mail Addressed to a Mosque


January 02, 2022
Netherlands
Utrecht

On 2 January 2022, an anonymous letter containing insults to Islam, the Qur'an and our Prophet was found in the mailbox of the Utrecht HDV Ulu Mosque. In the letter, there were remarks like "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.", "Prophet Mohammed is gay.", "No to Islam, only freedom.", "We give you the napkin in advance for you to cry on.", "Islam is a lie.", "Muhammad is a thief/ conman.", and "The Quran is poison.". The mosque administrators contacted the local police the same day, and reported the case to the police.





January 03, 2022
Sweden
Göteborg

Hate Mail Addressed to a Turkish Politician

In Sweden, Mikail Yüksel, Party of Different Colors (Nyans) Chairperson, received a letter containing the remarks, "Go back to your country, you dirty pig". It was reported that, in the same letter, there were racist remarks targeting our President and Muslims.



January 04, 2022
Germany
Dortmund

Arson Committed against a Kiosk Run by a Turk

Unknown person or persons set fire to a kiosk owned by a Turk in Dortmund, North Rhine-Westphalia. While no one was killed or injured in the arson incident that was committed at midnight, the kiosk sustained property damage of EUR 35.000.



January 09, 2022
Belgium
Cuesmes

Attack on Imam's Dwelling in Mosque

At around 03:00 a.m., the door of the imam's (religious officer) dwelling at Fatih Mosque, affiliated to the Belgian Religious Foundation, in the town of Cuesmes, near the city of Mons, was damaged from the outside, by a perpetrator wielding an object.



January 15, 2022
Germany
Chemnitz

Arson Committed against a Turkish Mosque

Fatih Mosque in Chemnitz, Germany, affiliated with the Turkish-Islamic Union for Religious Affairs, was set on fire by an unknown person or persons. While no one was killed or injured in the incident, the mosque sustained property damage.



January 18, 2022
Germany
Herten

Attack on Turkish Artist

Singer Cevdet Yılmaz, who supported Türkiye with the music video he made in the aftermath of July 15, was attacked for the second time. As he parked his vehicle, three people attacked him verbally and physically. After they told him to "move his vehicle elsewhere" the attackers headbutted him, leaving him injured.



January 19, 2022
United States of
America
Washington

Map of Türkiye Divided

Masoud Barzani, President of the Northern Iraq Regional Kurdish Administration, posed with Nadine Maenza, the head of the US commission, in front of a map where Türkiye was shown divided.



January 27, 2022
Sweden
Stockholm

Young Turkish man killed in a car park

E. A. (18) from Konya, who was living in Stockholm, the capital of Sweden, was killed by unknown people. The perpetrators have yet to be caught by the police.



January 30, 2022
Greece
Didymoteicho

Provocative Banner opposite a Mosque

Unknown person or persons hung a provocative banner which read "Stop the Islamization of Evros now!" on a wall opposite the Çelebi Sultan Mehmed Mosque in Didymoteicho.



February 02, 2022
Austria
Vienna

Terrorist Organization Sympathizers Attacked Mosque

Unknown people attacked the Austrian Turkish-Islamic Culture and Social Assistance Union Central Mosque in Vienna. It was understood that the attack, in which the ground floor windows of the mosque were broken, was committed by terrorist organization sympathizers.





February 03, 2022
Austria
Vienna

"PKK" Written on Mosque Wall

In Vienna, supporters of the terrorist organization PKK attacked another mosque in the 16th district following the attack on the Austrian Turkish-Islamic Culture and Social Assistance Union (ATİB) Central Mosque.



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February 04, 2022
Netherlands
Giethoorn

Systematic Racist Attack on Family

A Turkish mother living with her 15-year-old son in the town of Giethoorn, reported to the police that, for the past year, she had been the target of systematic attacks perpetrated by racist young people. The family had to move to another city as the attacks did not come to an end.



February 05, 2022
Germany
Berlin

Youngster Beaten Up for Speaking Turkish

In Berlin, 17-year-old D. S. was targeted by a group of six people including three women, who used racial slurs such as “dirty foreigner” and “go back where you came from” on the grounds that she spoke Turkish on the tram, and the same group beat her at the station where she got off. The young girl was hospitalized after the attack; it was reported that she suffered a concussion and had bruises on her body.



February 06, 2022
Netherlands
Roosendaal

Arson Committed against a Turkish Restaurant

Cizbiz Meatballs, which had been serving customers in the Netherlands for 4 years, was attacked for the third time over the past month. After breaking the windows of the restaurant, the attackers threw explosives inside. No one was injured in the incident that caused property damage. The same restaurant was attacked 3 more times over a month.



February 09, 2022
Germany
Dortmund

Swastika Drawn on Mosque Door

A swastika was drawn, for the second time in 2 weeks, on the door of the Sultan Ahmet Mosque, which is affiliated to the Turkish-Islamic Union for Religious Affairs (DiTİB) in the Dorstfeld district of Dortmund, Germany.





February 11, 2022
Belgium
Sint Niklaas

Mosque Attack

In the city of Sint Niklaas, Belgium, the Islamic Cultural Center, which also includes a mosque, was attacked again. Sint Niklaas Mosque was attacked 3 times within two weeks.



February 13, 2022
Germany
Siegburg

Hate Speech During Ethics Class

A German 'ethics' teacher asked the students a vile question which implied that Turkish fathers forced their daughters into marriage and resorted to illegal means. The example the teacher had given as homework received backlash.



February 19, 2022
Denmark
Copenhagen

Mosque Attack

On Saturday, February 19, 2022, around 11.00 p.m., 3 people who were later found to be intoxicated, attacked a section which was used as a warehouse in an outbuilding annexed to Ikast Fatih Mosque. The attack led to property damage on the garden gate and a window. The administrators of the association reported the incident to the police, and the attackers were detained on the charges of disrupting public order and causing property damage. In their statement to the association officials, the police indicated that the attack was not considered a hate crime.



February 20, 2022
Denmark
Copenhagen

Writing on Mosque Wall

Unknown people wrote "Aliens FK-Foreigners Get Out" and slurs of similar nature on the walls of Kocatepe Mosque and the surrounding buildings, in Copenhagen city center.



February 22, 2022
Switzerland
Basel

Turkish Businessman's Vehicle Set on Fire

The van registered to the company of businessman S.T., who lives in Basel, was set on fire by two masked people. The police launched an investigation.



February 23, 2022
Germany
Bochum

Attack on Religious Officials

On 23.02.2022, an intoxicated German citizen attacked the congregation and religious officials in the courtyard of the Bochum DiTIB Central Mosque.



February 28, 2022
Germany
Schwerte

Old Man Beaten Up

In Schwerte, Germany, 77-year-old M. A. was attacked in front of a mosque. Yelling "You deserved it" to the old man, the perpetrator, hit him on the head with a stone several times and battered him.



March 02, 2022
Germany
Bremen

Hate Speech against the Muslim Association

Swear words in Turkish were inscribed on the window of a service building which is part of the Bremen Islamic Forum Association.



March 02, 2022
Germany
Mainz

Turkish Women Threatened with Swastika

Last week, F.H, a Turkish citizen living in Mainz, was verbally threatened by a stranger. Thinking that the attacker was mentally unstable, the woman did not press charges. However, when she went to open her store on March 2, she saw that the windows had been broken and there was a swastika drawn inside; she reported the case to the police. Investigation on the incident is still ongoing.



March 11, 2022
Netherlands

Hate Mail Addressed to Young Writer

Living in the Netherlands, the 19-year-old writer D. B. (who is of Turkish origin) received an e-mail containing the Swastika sign and Islamophobic slurs. In the letter, there were statements such as "Muslims are hypocrites", "people need to be careful with them", and "the aim of the headscarf is to express how powerful radical Muslims are".



March 13, 2022
Finland
Imatra

Attack on Turkish Restaurant

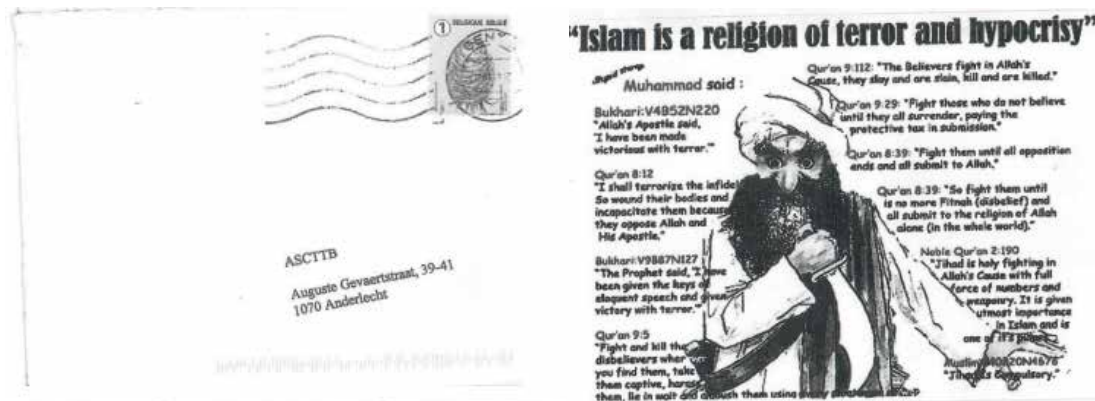
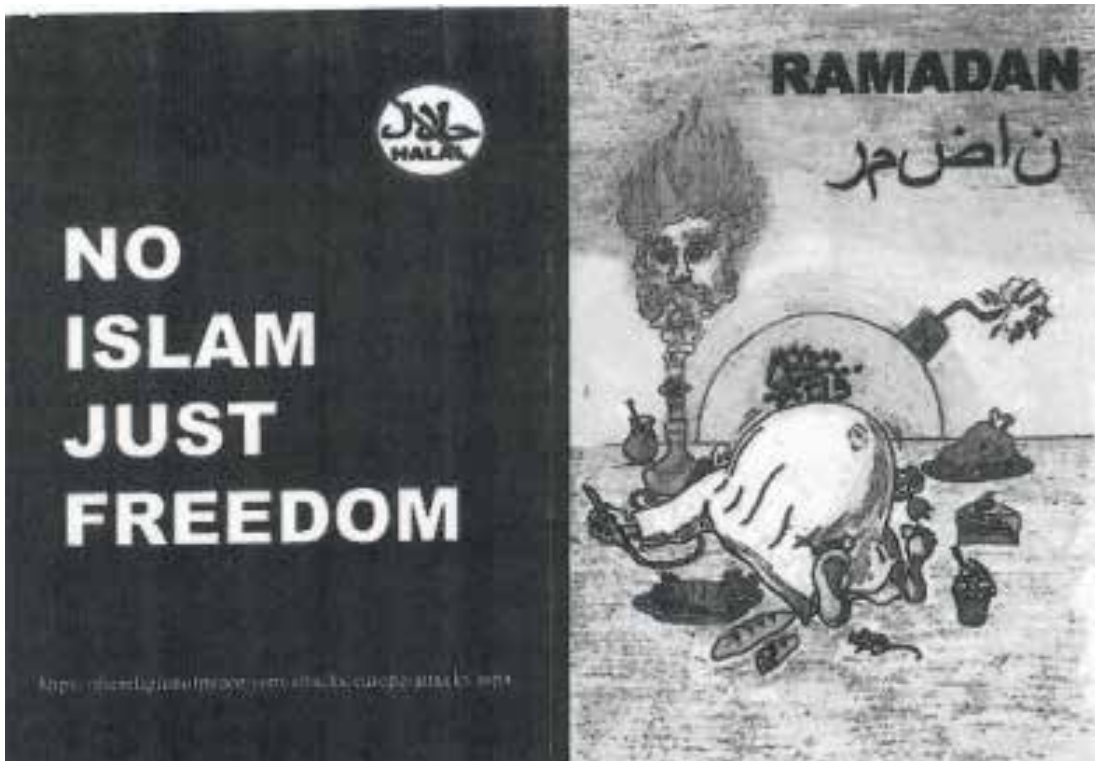
A group of young people attacked the kebab/pizza restaurant run by Turkish Citizen C.G and his wife D.G. in Imatra. In the incident, the tables of the restaurant were messed up, and C.G sustained injuries in the face. After reviewing the security footage, the Finnish Police described the incident as property damage, intimidation and physical assault.



March 14, 2022
Belgium
Anderlecht

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A hate mail was sent to the Anderlecht Central Mosque. The mail contained pamphlets and cartoons that insulted the prophet and referred to Islam as a "religion of terror and hypocrisy".





March 16, 2022
Slovenia
Maribor

Racist Attack on Turkish Students

As they headed back to their dormitory at night, three Turkish Erasmus students at Maribor University were attacked by a racist person. The assailant first blocked the way and asked for money, next he started using curse words in English, and then committed hate speech against Turkish students. As the verbal abuse continued, he punched Z.Ö. (one of the students) in the eye, causing the young women to fall down and lose consciousness. Based on the testimony given by Z.Ö. who was taken to the hospital after the incident, the police located the perpetrator who turned out to be a racist Slovenian student living in the next dormitory building.



March 20, 2022
Belgium
Diest

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

On 20.03.2022, a letter containing hate speech against Islam was sent to the Diest Beraat Mosque. The mosque association reported that they submitted a complaint to the police about the hate mail.





March 22, 2022
Germany
Hürth

Letter by the Extreme Right Addressed to Mosque

A letter containing insults and bomb attack threats was mailed to the DİTİB Hürth Mosque. While it was reported that, signed by an "SS Lieutenant Colonel Heidrich", the letter contained statements such as "this filth will be destroyed by a bomb", "Muslims don't belong here", and "or else, Hitler will come back", the police launched a fingerprint analysis.



March 23, 2022
Germany

Insult against Atatürk

Insults against the founder of the Turkish Republic, Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, including "Massacrant" and "He committed genocide against Kurdish Alevis" made by the German journalist Ronya Othmann in her article which was published in the Frankfurter Allgemeine newspaper, sparked extensive backlash.



March 25, 2022
Belgium
Heusden Zolder

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

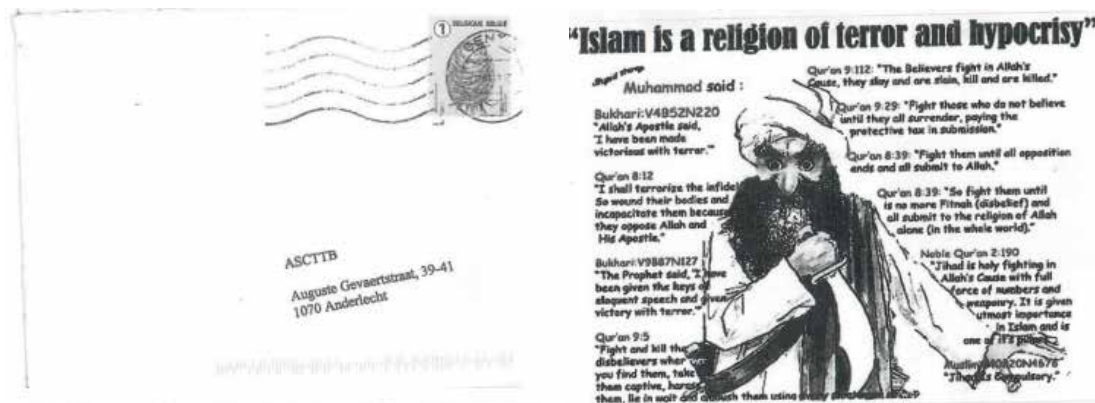
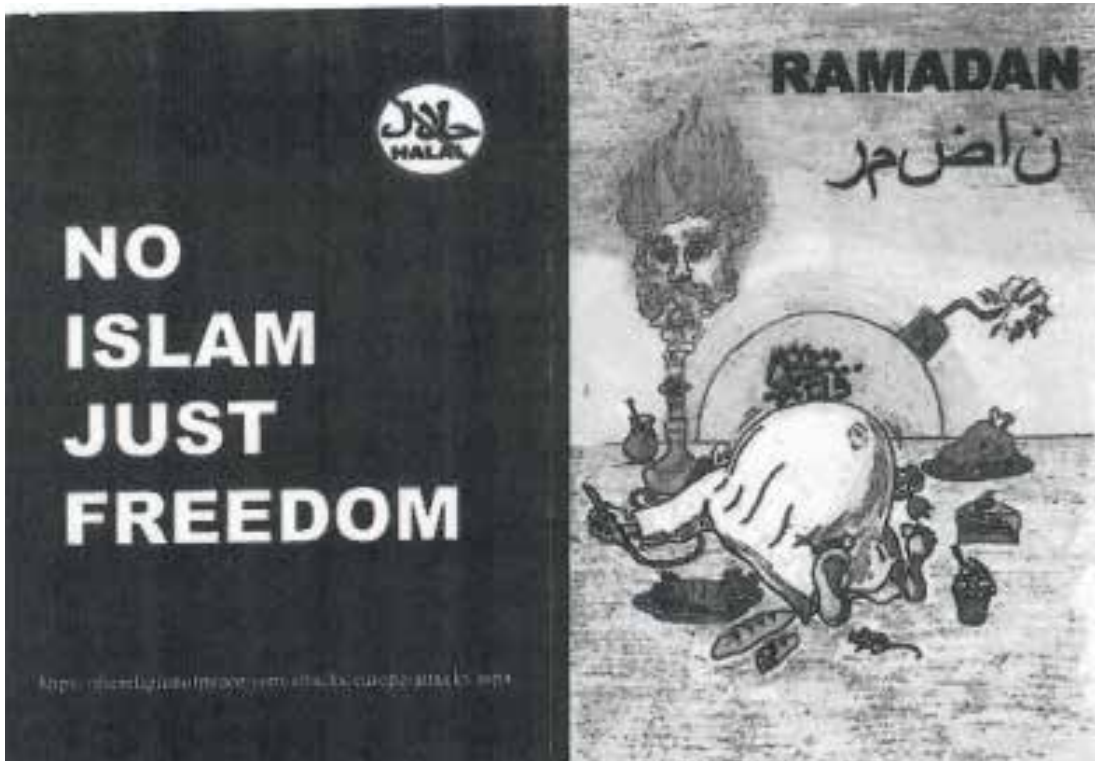
The same hate mail sent to the Anderlecht Mosque earlier that month was also sent to the BDV Selimiye Mosque in the town of Heusen Zolder in Limburg. The incident was reported to both the police and the local government.



March 25, 2022
Belgium
Maasmechelen

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

The same hate mail sent to the Anderlecht Mosque earlier that month was sent to the Maasmechelen Tevhid Mosque. The incident was reported to both the police and the local government.

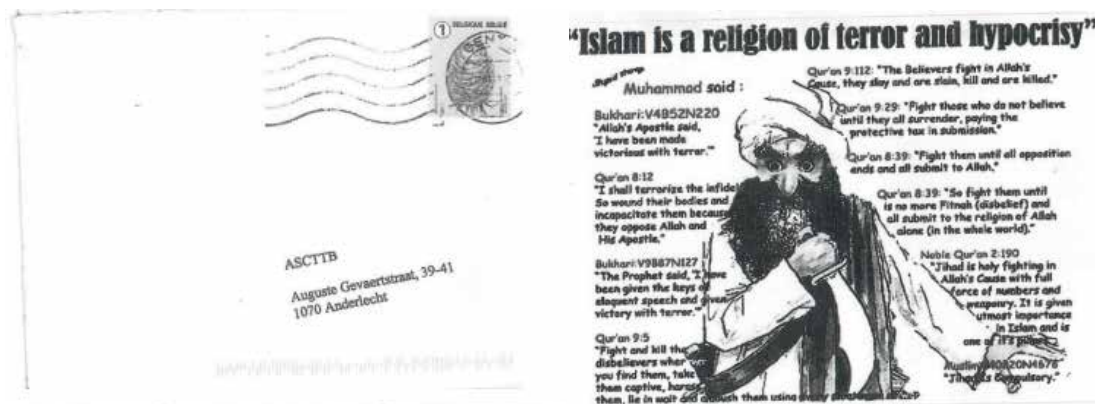
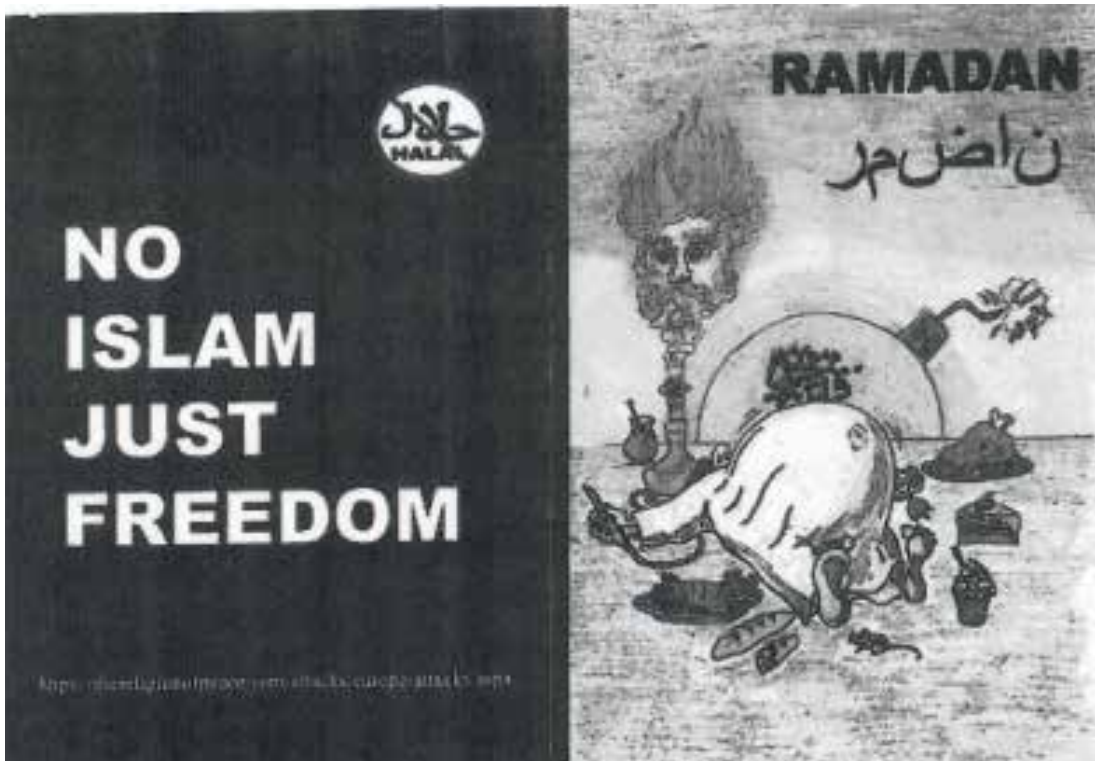




March 25, 2022
Belgium
Tessenderlo

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

The same hate mail sent to the Anderlecht Mosque earlier that month was sent to the Tessenderlo Mosque. The incident was reported to both the police and the local government.





March 25, 2022
Netherlands

Threat of Throwing Ham Barbecue Parties in front of Mosques

Pegida announced that, starting from the first week of Ramadan, they would organize ham barbecue parties in front of mosques located in different city centers across the country for the entire month. According to the organization's website and the post shared on its social media accounts, they would gather and throw a barbecue party in front of Schiedam HDV Muradiye Mosque on April 5, Eindhoven AL-Fourqaan Mosque on April 6, Enschede Selimiye Mosque on April 7, Almelo Masjid Mosque on April 8 and Nijmegen Eyüb Sultan Mosque on April 9. In response to Pegida's announcement, DENK Party deputies indicated that they asked the Mayor of Schiedam to ban this so-called "protest" and not tolerate grudge and hatred in Schiedam.



March 27, 2022
Germany
Duisburg

Racist Example in the Textbook

Inspired by the fairy tale "Hansel and Gretel", the homework titled "Murat and Ayşe" given to students at Krupp High School in Duisburg, Germany, which incorporated offensive remarks against Turks, sparked backlash. It is reported that the aforementioned homework involved the story of Murat and Ayşe where they went on a search for doner kebab in the forest, and at the end of the text, the students were asked 4 questions.



March 30, 2022
Germany
Barnstorf

Mosque Windows Stoned

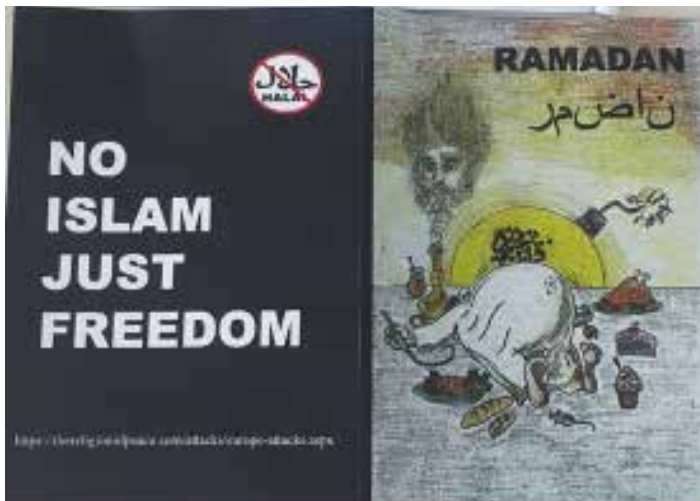
Unknown person or persons attacked the Mevlana Mosque in Barnstorf with stones.



March 31, 2022
Netherlands
Leeuwarden

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A mail containing anti-Islamic cartoons was sent to the Leeuwarden Ulu Mosque, which is affiliated to the Dutch Religious Foundation.

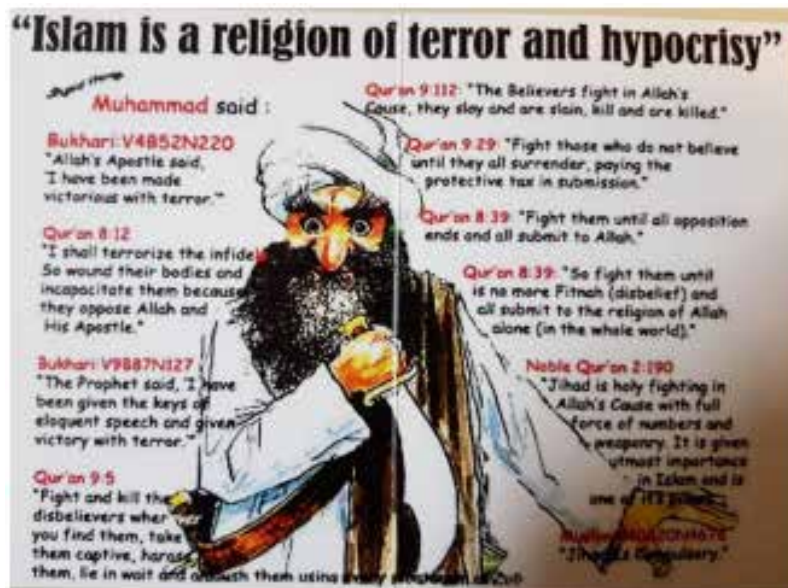




March 31, 2022
Netherlands
Rotterdam

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A mail containing anti-Islamic cartoons was sent to the Rotterdam Mevlana Mosque, which is affiliated to the Dutch Religious Foundation.

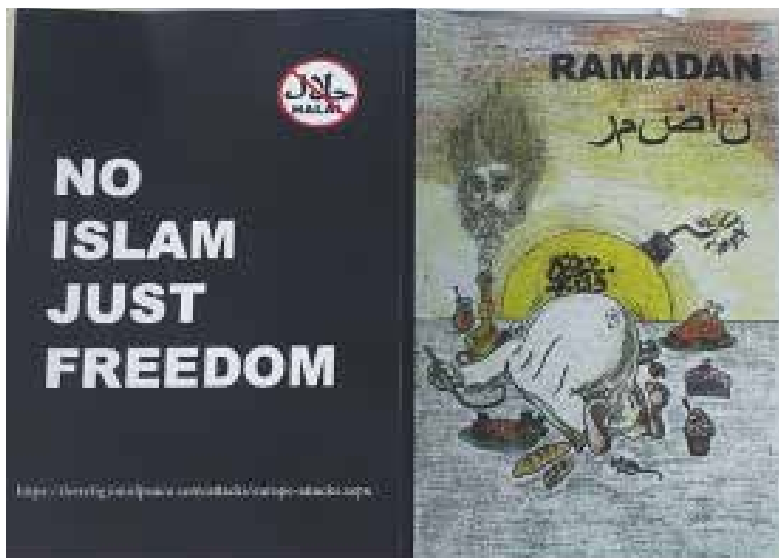




April 01, 2022
Netherlands
Amsterdam

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A hate mail containing pamphlets and cartoons insulting the Prophet and describing Islam as a "religion of terror and hypocrisy" was sent to the Amsterdam Mevlana Mosque.





April 01, 2022
Netherlands
Culemborg

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A mail containing anti-Islamic cartoons was sent to the Culemborg İmam-ı Azam Mosque, which is affiliated to the Dutch Religious Foundation.



April 01, 2022
Netherlands
Enschede

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A mail containing anti-Islamic cartoons was sent to the Enschede Selimiye Mosque, which is affiliated to the Dutch Religious Foundation.



April 01, 2022
Netherlands
Nijmegen

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A mail containing anti-Islamic cartoons was sent to the Nijmegen Eyüp Sultan Mosque, which is affiliated to the Dutch Religious Foundation.



April 02, 2022
Germany
Nürnberg

Stoned Attack on the Consulate General

A person attacked the Turkish Consulate General in Nuremberg with stones at around 7 am. The attacker was taken into custody by the police officers who arrived at the scene.



April 05, 2022
Germany
Pforzheim

17-Month-Old Baby Kicked

In Pforzheim, Germany, as he walked with his grandmother, aunt and uncle, the 17-month-old baby Ahmet was kicked by a racist. The grandmother, who was trying to protect her grandchild, was also assaulted by the racist.



April 08, 2022
Bulgaria
Kazanlak

Racist Writing on Turkish Mosque

On the first Friday of Ramadan, "Pomaks" were written on the wall of Kazanlak Mosque located in the Old Zağra region.



April 12, 2022
Germany
Duisburg

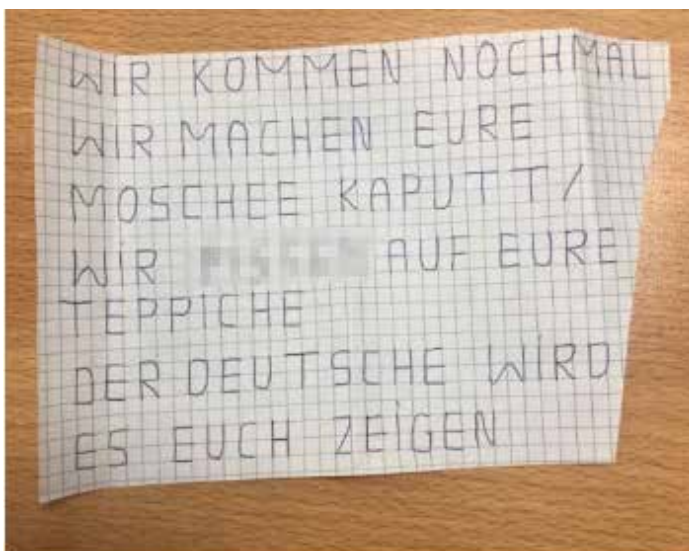
13-Year-Old Handcuffed Behind the Back

13-year-old Emirhan experienced police brutality on the grounds that he ripped up election posters in Duisburg, Germany. The footage shows that, despite the reactions of passersby, the police made the little boy lie down on the ground, handcuffed him behind his back and used their knees to put pressure on him. Having gone to the hospital after the incident and got a battery report, Emirhan's family indicated that they would follow through this incident and file a lawsuit.


 April 14, 2022
 Germany
 Dortmund

Threat Letter Addressed to Mosque

A threat letter was sent to the Sultan Ahmet Mosque in the Dorstfeld district of Dortmund, Germany. It was reported that, signed by an "NSU 2.0", the threat letter contained a photo of a pig, a note which said "Turks, get out of our country", and the swastika symbol.





April 15, 2022
United States of
America
Manhattan

Stabbed for Being Turkish

In New York, Turkish national H.C.S. was stabbed in the chest by an unknown person, "because he was Turkish". It was reported that the attacker said "I hate Turks" right before the stabbing.



April 16, 2022
Germany
Bramsche

Racist Letter Addressed to Mosque

A letter containing the swastika symbol as well as racist and insulting remarks was sent to the DİTİB Bramsche Eyüp Sultan Mosque.



April 21, 2022
France
Lyon

Ramadan Tents Set on Fire

The Turkish Mosque in Bourgoin-Jallieu, southeast of Lyon in France, was set on fire. In the incident that took place around 02:30 a.m., the suspect set fire to the tents which had been set up in front of the mosque for iftar dinners, and also damaged a vehicle that was parked outside.



May 04, 2022
Russia
Orenburg

Attack on Turkish Cemetery

In Belyayevsky District, Orenburg Oblast in Russian Federation, an attack was carried out on gravestones engraved with calligraphy of verses from the Qur'an, which are known to belong to ancient Turks. According to the article from the "OrenDay" news site, some of the gravestones were seriously damaged, while some of them were completely destroyed.



May 05, 2022
France
Metz

Arson Committed against a Turkish Association

In Metz, a building owned by the association affiliated to DiTİB was set on fire by unknown person or persons who used using 3 Molotov cocktails.



May 05, 2022
France
Mulhouse

Spray Paint on the Wall of the Association

Someone wrote "Fascist" -with red spray paint- on the wall of the Turkish association affiliated to DiTİB in Mulhouse at around 05:30 a.m. in the morning.



May 08, 2022
Sweden
Jönköping

Attack on the Turkish Association President's Home

Swedish Union of International Democrats (UID) Jönköping Branch President Mehmet Özer was targeted by unknown gunmen. It was reported that Özer was at home with his wife and daughter when his window was hit by three bullets at night, but all three were unharmed.



May 08, 2022
Sweden
Stockholm

Attack on the Turkish Association President's Car

It was reported that UID Regional President Özer Eken's vehicle which was parked on the side of the road in Stockholm, was attacked.



May 08, 2022
Switzerland
Basel

Attack at the April 23 Festival

During the celebrations of the 23 April International Children's Festival held in Basel, there was an attack on our citizens who were in the booth. After chanting slogans in favor of the PKK and against Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, the group of about 30 people lowered the barriers in the festival area and attacked the participants. It was reported that at least 6 people were injured and hospitalized following the attack.



May 09, 2022
Germany
Iserlohn

Easter Eggs Thrown at Mosque

Two Easter eggs were thrown by unknown persons into the courtyard of the Iserlohn Letmathe Mosque which is affiliated to DiTİB.



May 12, 2022
France
Paris

Attack on Consulate General in Paris

In France, the Turkish Consulate General in Paris was attacked with fireworks at around 2.30 a.m. by the terrorist organization PKK sympathizers. The attack caused property damage on the window and the exterior wall of the consulate general building. French authorities launched an investigation into the incident.



May 14, 2022
United States of
America
Bufallo

Hate Driven Manifesto by the Racist Terrorist

It was found out that 18-year-old racist terrorist Payton Gendron, who attacked a shopping mall in the USA and killed 13 people, 11 of whom were African Americans, targeted Turks and President Erdoğan in his 180-page manifesto he wrote before the attack. In his 180-page manifesto underpinned by the "Great Replacement Theory" which is commonly embraced by racists, Gendron indicated that he wanted to kill the Mayor of London Sadiq Khan, billionaire George Soros and President Recep Tayyip Erdogan. While the manifesto referred to Arabs and Modern Turks as separate categories, the perpetrator wrote: "When I say Arabs, I mean those who came from the Middle East, North Africa and Southeast Europe. They do not belong in white countries. They want to dominate all cultures." Indicating that Turks may be "white", the terrorist wrote "Even if they are white by race, they can't be considered white because of their religion."



May 19, 2022
Germany
Kassel

Paint Attack on Mosque Wall

Unknown persons threw pitch at the European Turkish-Islamic Union's (ATİB) Kassel Turkish Cultural Center and Hoca Ahmet Yesevi Mosque at 03.10 a.m. in the morning. The attack caused property damage on the windows and walls of the place of worship and the organization's club.





May 20, 2022
Germany
Cologne

Turkish Family Beaten Up by the Police

E. K., who lives in the city of Cologne, was attacked by the German police at his home. The police also aimed a gun at E. K.'s wife during the incident where the family's home was raided and battered for several minutes following a tip-off due to the toy gun E.K. bought for his 9-year-old nephew. It was reported that E.K., whose nose was broken due to police brutality, suffered from loss of vision and started to have difficulty speaking.



May 31, 2022
Germany
Berlin

Systematic Harassment by Racist Neighbor

The life of the Bostancı Family living in Berlin turned into a nightmare after a 50-year-old German woman moved into their apartment building in 2009. After moving into the ground floor of a 10-floor apartment building, the racist German started attacking the family by yelling "Get out of here, you dirty Turks." at every opportunity she got. Not satisfied with these actions, the neighbor invited her fellow racists to come over, and play loud music.



June 01, 2022
France
Loire-Atlantique

Dragged by Car

In Loire-Atlantique, France, a 52-year-old racist man dragged his Turkish neighbor for 72 meters in his car. The victim, who was dragged for meters, suffered a broken hip bone.



June 04, 2022
United States of
America
Warrington

Hate Speech against Taxi Driver

On June 4, after being dropped off at her home in Warrington Cheshire at 1 a.m. following a house party, "You don't belong in this country," said 32-year-old J.B. to the Turkish driver. As the woman got out of the car with her children, she used racial insults against the Turkish taxi driver.



June 06, 2022
Austria
Sollenau

Anti-Islamic Remarks Written on Mosque Wall

At around 3:00 a.m. an unknown person wrote anti-Islamic and racist remarks in English and German on the walls of the Austrian Islamic Federation Sollenau Green Mosque in Sollenau, Lower Austria.



June 10, 2022
Sweden

Hate Mail Addressed to a Turkish Politician

In Sweden, Mikail Yüksel, Party of Different Colors (Nyans) Chairperson, received letter containing the remarks "You don't belong in a Christian country, go back home" and a photo of a pig.



June 12, 2022
Australia
Melbourne

Attack on MUSIAD Building

In Melbourne, Australia, the building where the headquarters of the Independent Industrialists' and Businessmen's Association (MUSIAD) is located, was attacked by unknown person or persons with firearms and stones.



June 16, 2022
Australia
Northam

State's Obligation to Ensure Safety

The Refugee Action Coalition reported yesterday that a 32-year-old Turkish national was killed in a detention center located in Western Australia.



June 17, 2022
Sweden
Stockholm

PKK's So-Called Flag Projected on Government Buildings

YPG/PKK's Sweden-linked social media accounts posted images where the organization's so-called flag and Öcalan's photo were projected on the historical town hall building in the capital, Stockholm.



June 18, 2022
UK
Tottenham

Young Turkish Man Killed

17-year-old Turkish teenager Ali Baygören was stabbed to death in Tottenham.



June 18, 2022
Netherlands
Rotterdam

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A note was left on the door of Rotterdam HDV Mevlana Mosque, which said “The world is changing completely. The Bible explains why. Jesus Christ is calling out to you”; it was reported that the mosque administration contacted the local police and reported the incident.



June 20, 2022
France
Strasbourg

PKK Supporters Attacked Turkish Citizens

PKK members and supporters opened a booth in front of the Council of Europe building in Strasbourg, France, and attacked Turkish citizens. The way France, a NATO ally of Türkiye allowed the activities of the separatist terrorist organization, sparked backlash.



June 21, 2022
United States of
America
Boston

Right-Wing Extremist Mail Addressed to Consulate General

In a letter signed by a “Mr. Rutte”, which was mailed from Rotterdam, the Netherlands to the U.S. Consulate General in Boston, it was indicated that “all people who come from Türkiye must leave the USA, or else they would be forced to leave”. The letter also contained a swastika drawing, some obscene drawings and offensive remarks against Muslims and Turkish women.



June 27, 2022
Norway
Moss

Hate Crime Targeting the Prophet

A cartoon that was insulting to the Prophet was hung on the traffic sign near the Moss Turkish Workers Solidarity Association Mosque. The cartoon in question was later taken down by our citizens.





July 08, 2022
Germany
Bayreuth

Racist Attack on Politician of Turkish Origin

It was reported that Halil Taşdelen, a City Council Member from the Social Democratic Party (SPD) in Bayreuth, Germany, was targeted in a racist attack in front of his home. The racist attacker shouted “filthy Turk” before he attacked Halil Taşdelen. The attacker was taken into custody by the police, and the State Protection unit also stepped in.



July 16, 2022
Austria
Vienna

Attack on the Anti-Addiction Association

An unknown person attacked the New Beginning Association, -an organization designed to combat substance addiction, operating in Vienna since 2018. The attacker first verbally insulted a staff member who was taking out the garbage at the time, and then made xenophobic remarks. After leaving the the scene for five minutes, the attacker came back with an ax in his hand, and made moves by swinging the ax as if he was going to hit the association's volunteers. The police intervened in the incident by neutralizing the attacker, and took him into custody.



July 17, 2022
UK
London

Ugly Labeling against Turkish Community

Portrayal of Turks as drug smugglers and rapists in the case studies taught in the London Metropolitan Police Service detective training programs, sparked backlash. Baroness Meral Hüseyin Ece, a House of Lords member, who is of Turkish origin, also indicated that what happened was unacceptable.



July 19, 2022
Germany
Kassel

Spray Paint Attack on Mosque

Kassel Central Mosque affiliated to DİTİB was attacked by unknown persons who used spray paint. It was reported that, in the attack on the main entrance walls of the mosque late at night, remarks on the political situation in "Western Kurdistan" region were written with spray paint; the incident was reported to the police and an investigation was launched.





July 20, 2022
Germany
Stuttgart

Vehicle of Consulate General Set on Fire

The official vehicle of the Consulate General in Stuttgart was set on fire by unknown persons. Eight vehicles and the wall of the consulate building sustained property damage in the incident.



July 22, 2022
Germany
Bielefeld

Disproportionate Intervention on Turkish Citizen

Ferhat A. who is a 34-year-old man living in Bielefeld, Germany, claimed that he was subjected to police brutality. Sharing a photo of himself with a broken nose from the hospital where he received treatment, Ferhat A. indicated that he suffered from cracks and deep abrasions on his skull. Ferhat A., father of two, said that a policeman kicked him in the head for no reason. Ferhat A. was discharged after he stayed in hospital for days. The father of two children, who filed a complaint against the police, said that he pressed charges, and informed the Embassy of the Republic of Türkiye about what he had been through. On the other hand, in a statement about the incident, Bielefeld Police said that the suspect showed great resistance when the police wanted to take him into custody, therefore the officers had to lower him to the ground by using minor physical violence.



July 24, 2022
Germany
Duisburg

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A letter containing offensive remarks about Muslims and Islam was posted to the Central Mosque of the Turkish-Islamic Union for Religious Affairs (DİTİB) in Duisburg, Germany. Sent by mail on July 24, the letter contained anti-Islamic insults as well as various images and photographs. It was reported that the letter was shared with the local authorities and the police, and an investigation was launched.





July 27, 2022
Germany
Fürth

Signpost Specifically Addressing Turks

In Fürth, Germany, an additional signpost in Turkish was placed next to the warning signpost in German on how to use the barbecue place addressing the people living in the region. The signpost divided users on social media. While some users suggested that having a sign in Turkish was something positive, others referred to it as an act of racism.



August 02, 2022
Germany
Dortmund

Racist Mail Addressed to Sports Club

A racist threat letter was sent to Osmanlıspor, a Turkish football club based in Dortmund, Germany. Decorated with a swastika, the letter said "DJK SF Nette is a German facility and is not a union of Erdoğan supporters"; it is noteworthy that the letter was sent on an official headed notepaper of DJK FS 1920 Nette, a German club with which Osmanlıspor will be sharing a field next season.



August 09, 2022
Germany
Düren

Attack on Cemevi

Unknown person or persons attacked the Düren and Surrounding Alevi Cultural Center in Germany. With its windows broken, the center suffered minor property damage.



August 11, 2022
Germany
Gelsenkirchen

Arson Committed against a Turkish Supermarket

Karadeniz Market, a longstanding supermarket doing business in the neighborhood densely populated by Turks in the city of Gelsenkirchen, was set on fire at around 01:00 a.m. at night. While no one was killed or injured in the incident, it was reported that the supermarket sustained large scale property damage.



August 14, 2022
Albania
Durres

Turkish Flag Thrown into the Sea

In Durres, Albania, a person who lowered the Turkish flag from the coastal watchtower, and threw it into the sea, was taken into custody.



August 19, 2022
Germany
Neuss

Arson Committed against a Turkish Association

In North Rhine-Westphalia, at around 01.00 a.m., unknown person or persons set fire to the Neuss Yunus Emre Mosque, which is affiliated to the Turkish Federation.



August 20, 2022
Germany
Augsburg

PKK Attack on Turkish Association

Supporters of the terrorist organization PKK attacked the Alparslan Türkeş Grey Wolves (Ülkü Ocağı) association building in Augsburg. Five attackers wearing masks painted the walls and windows of the association building in colors symbolizing the terrorist organization.



August 25, 2022
Belgium
Bastogne

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A letter containing hate speech and islamophobic remarks was sent to the Bastogne Turkish Culture and Kocatepe Mosque Association affiliated to the Belgian Religious Foundation.

Chers ennemis musulmans,

*Félicitations, l'un des vôtres a
réussi à abattre Salman Rushdie
C'était un intellectuel, un écrivain,
un homme libre et courageux, donc à vos
yeux un être abject, o Turc, alors que
son agresseur est un homme dur, un
bon musulman jusqu'à ce qu'il soit un arabisé.
Quelle merveilleuse religion que la vôtre!
Une religion où la haine des autres, la
violence, le meurtre barbare et la soumission
des femmes tennent lieu de spiritualité et
de charité.*

*Nous avons donc décidé de nous convertir
et de devenir de bon anti-musulmans.
Maintenant nous aurons nous-mêmes
nous allons vous décapiter, brûler votre
mosquée, violer vos femmes, en clair
nous imiter.*

*Prenez garde à votre fatwa, surveillez
vos activités, les yeux du monde ont
allé subir le déshonneur que vous méritez.
Faites pas d'irrigation. Allah nous
attend au paradis... A bientôt...*

HCAH



August 26, 2022
Germany
Barnstorf

Racist Letter Addressed to Mosque

A letter containing death threats against Turks was left at the Mevlana Mosque, which operates under the Islamic Community Milli Görüş Organization (IGMG). It was reported that, signed by the racist terrorist organization NSU 2.0., the letter also contained the swastika symbol.



August 26, 2022
Germany
Duisburg

Racist Letter Addressed to Mosque

A threat letter was sent to DITIB Duisburg Central Mosque. It was reported that the letter contained swastika drawings, a black and white photo of a woman and the words "NSU 2.0 We will kill all you Turks".



August 26, 2022
Sweden
Malmö

Racist Attack on the Posters of Politician of Turkish Origin

In Sweden, the election posters of Mikail Yüksel, the leader of the Different Colors Party (Nyans), were vandalized as offensive remarks were written on the posters.



August 26, 2022
Greece
Xanthi

Racist Attack on Western Thracian Turk

In Xanthi, 16-year-old O. T. of Turkish origin was severely beaten up by a group of Greeks. During the brawl, "You filthy Turk, next time we will kill you" O.T. was told.



August 27, 2022
Germany
Barnstorf

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A letter signed by NSU 2.0 was sent to the Milli Gorus Mosque Association of the Lower Saxony Council Organization.



August 28, 2022
Austria
Vienna

Racist Attack on Taxi Driver

After getting in the car, the Serbian passenger began to insult the Turkish taxi driver and then hit him in the back. He threatened to kill the taxi driver with a knife in his hand. The taxi driver had to get out of the car to escape from the attacker. The attacker was later caught by the police.



August 30, 2022
Germany
Neuss

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A racist letter containing death threats was sent to the Turkish Cultural Center of the Turkish Federation in Neuss. Decorated with a swastika drawing and signed by NSU 2.0, the letter contained racist remarks such as 'We will burn down your mosques and we will kill you Turks'.



August 30, 2022
Netherlands
The Hague

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

A letter containing offensive remarks against Islam, Jews, Moroccans, Turks and blacks was sent to the Dutch Religious Foundation by mail, on Tuesday, August 30, 2022. It was reported that the Hague regional police was contacted and duly informed.



September 05, 2022
Germany
Mölnn

Attempt to Set Fire to the Mosque

Soon after the fire alarm went off at around 18:00 at the Fatih Sultan Mosque of DITIB in Mölnn, the religious official realized that five plugs on the electrical panel at the mosque's entrance had been burned and there was some ash on the floor. The fire was extinguished before spreading.





September 09, 2022
Sweden
Jönköping

Mosque Windows Stoned

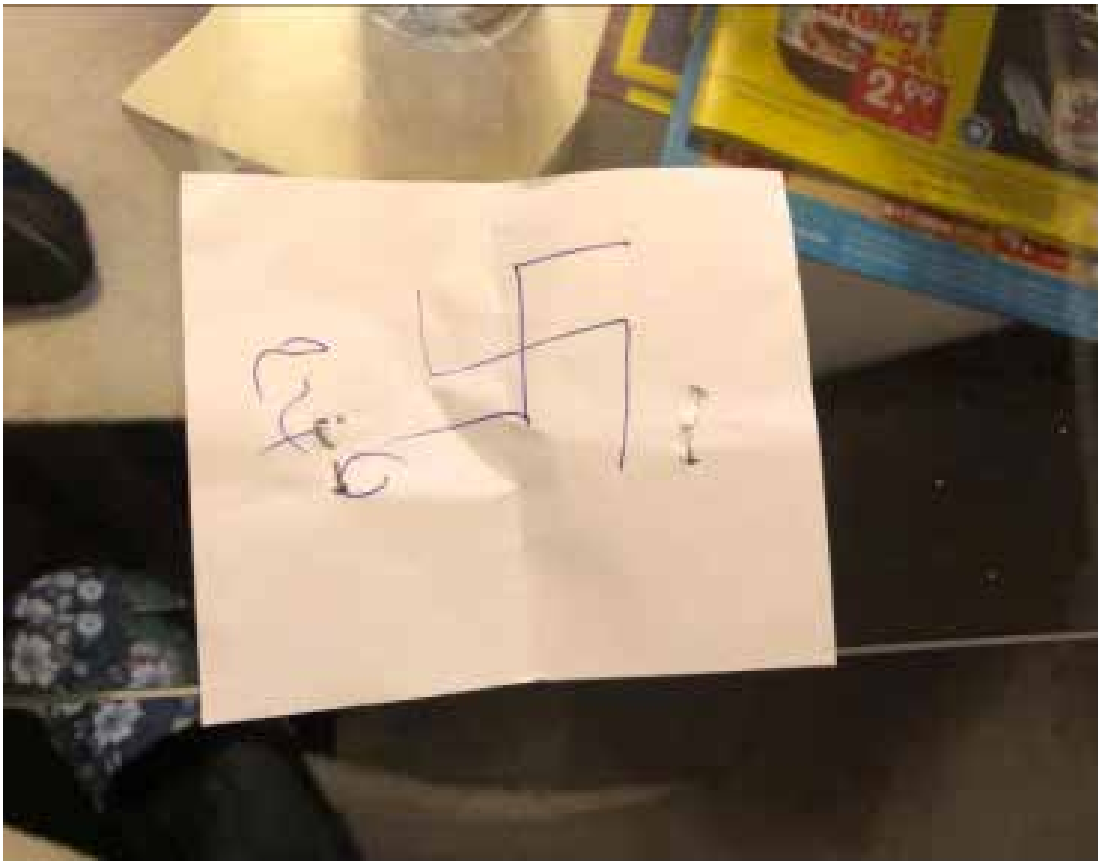
In Jönköping, Sweden, a Turkish mosque affiliated to the Presidency of Religious Affairs Swedish Diyanet Foundation was attacked with stones. It was reported that this was the third attack on the mosque in the past 3 months.



September 10, 2022
Germany
Möln

Swastika Drawn on Mosque Door

A swastika drawing was left at the entrance of the Möln Fatih Sultan Mosque.





September 12, 2022
Germany
Essen

Vehicle Attacked by PKK Members

In Germany, supporters of the terrorist organization PKK organized a march in support of terrorist leader Abdullah Öcalan and they used sticks and stones to attack the car of a Turkish citizen who had stopped at the red light.



September 12, 2022
Greece
Xanthi

Threat against Western Thracian Turk

A person made a phone call and threatened Xanthi Deputy Hüseyin Zeybek as he was the guest of a show that aired on Next TV which is a local broadcasting network based in Xanthi.



September 15, 2022
Germany
Göttingen

Swastika Drawn on Mosque Wall

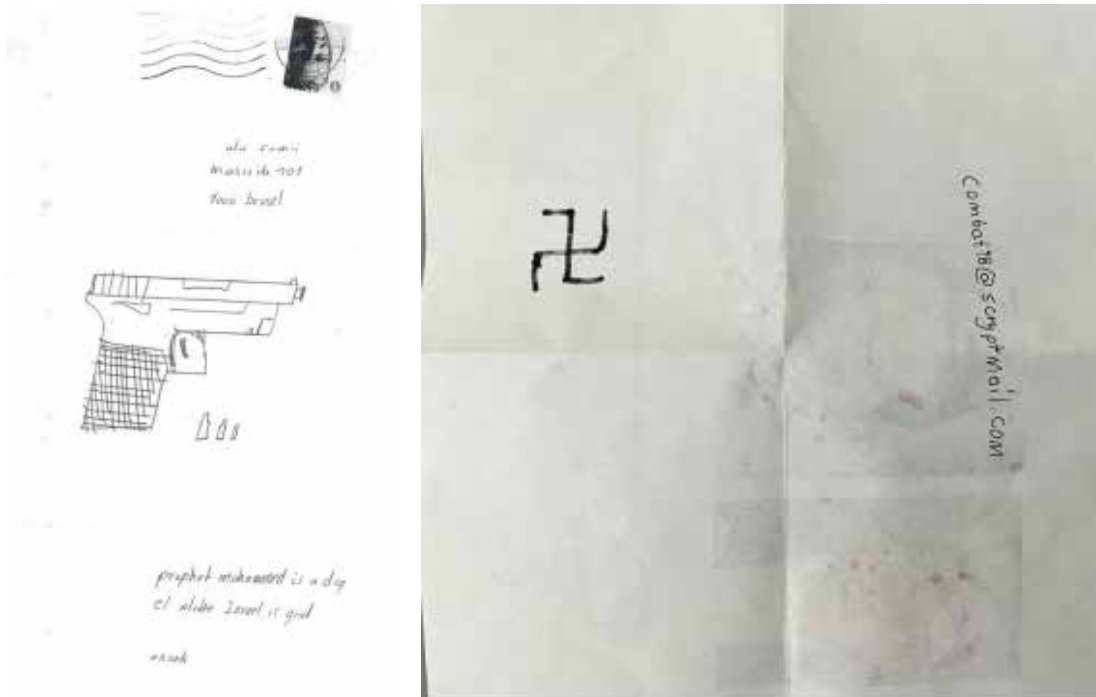
In Göttingen, swastikas were drawn on various places inside the DITIB Mosque and its courtyard.



September 15, 2022
Belgium
Brussels

Threat Letter Addressed to Mosque

A letter containing threats and insults was mailed to the Grand Mosque of Brussels which is affiliated to the Belgian Religious Foundation.





October 02, 2022
Germany
Offenbach

Offensive Writing on Mosque Wall

It was reported that, in the city of Offenbach, offensive remarks such as "Islam is the worst virus", "Muhammad was a murderer", "Today taqiyya, tomorrow sharia" were written on the wall of a mosque affiliated to the Turkish-Islamic Union of Religious Affairs.



October 07, 2022
Netherlands
Bergen op Zoom

Turkish Woman Pushed onto the Railway Tracks

In the Dutch city of Bergen op Zoom, a young Turkish girl was pushed onto the railway tracks by another woman she did not know. The young girl stood back up with the help of passers-by and other passengers.



October 13, 2022
Netherlands
Hendrik Ido
Ambacht

Statue by Young Turkish Man Demolished

Unknown persons attacked the statue crafted by Alihan Uzun, who was nominated for the Young Impact Awards in the "Equal Chances" category in the town of Hendrik Ido Ambacht. The head of the statue was cut off and thrown into the bike lane, the upper part of it was thrown into the canal, and the lower part of it was found in pieces on the ground with the pedestal on which it used to stand.



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October 14, 2022
Germany
Cologne

Anti-Islam Chant During Prayer

In Cologne, while the azan (Islamic call to prayer) heard from the speakers of the Central Mosque affiliated to DITIB, an LGBT group disrespected the prayer and chanted the slogan "No to azan in Germany".



October 25, 2022
Switzerland
Solothurn

PKK Members Wrote Anti-Türkiye Remarks

Due to the air operations carried out by the Turkish Armed Forces in October, PKK supporters wrote anti-Türkiye remarks in various parts of Solothurn city center in late October.



November 04, 2022
France
Pontarlier

Threat Letter Addressed to Association

An unsigned threat letter was sent to the Pontarlier Turkish Workers' Association. "Turks living in France who voted for Erdogan deserve to be massacred," the letter said. The incident was reported to the office of the prosecutor.



November 06, 2022
France
Montlebon

Simultaneous Attack on Mosques

The mosque operating under DiTIB in Montlebon was attacked. It was reported that crosses were drawn in the attack and anti-Islamic remarks were written on the walls of the mosque.



November 06, 2022
France
Pontarlier

Simultaneous Attack on Mosques

The mosque operating under DiTIB in Pontarlier was attacked. It was reported that, in the attack, crosses were drawn and anti-Islamic remarks were written on the walls of the mosque.



November 06, 2022
France
Roubaix

Simultaneous Attack on Mosques

The mosque operating under DiTIB in Roubaix was attacked. It was reported that, in the attack, crosses were drawn and anti-Islamic remarks were written on the walls of the mosque.



November 09, 2022
Germany
Göttingen

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

The DiTIB Mosque in Göttingen received a threat letter signed by NSU 2.0, which contained far-right rhetoric insulting the religion of Islam.



November 13, 2022
Germany
Duisburg

PKK Attack on Turkish Association

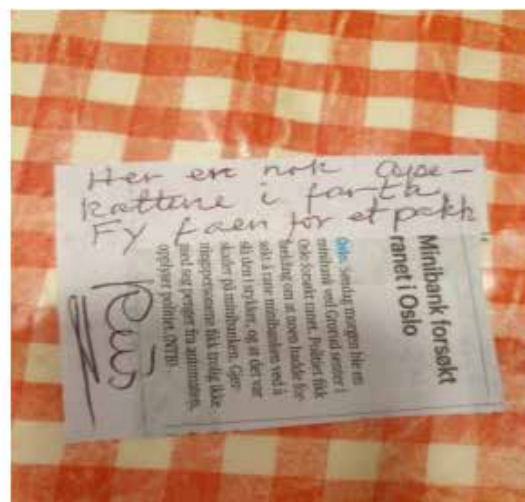
Saadet Europe Headquarters in Duisburg, Germany, was attacked by unknown persons. In the attack, several windows of the office were broken with huge pieces of stone, ugly images were drawn on the walls and insults in Turkish were written.



November 14, 2022
Norway
Bergen

Hate Mail Addressed to Mosque

Bergen Mosque received an anti-Islamic threat letter containing newspaper clippings from different news articles. These newspaper clippings incorporated anti-Islamic insults and racist remarks. In one of the clippings, it was indicated that there was an attempt to rob an ATM in the city of Oslo, after the robbers tried to steal the money by breaking the ATM they walked away from the scene without getting the money. Suggesting that the robbers were foreign nationals, the clipping contained offensive remarks. It was reported that the executives of the association filed a complaint to the police regarding the aforementioned anti-Islamic action.





November 16, 2022
Germany
Hannover

PKK Attack on Turkish Association

Saadet Regional Headquarters in Hannover, Germany, was attacked early in the morning. It was reported that the PKK's Youth Initiative took responsibility for the attack where remarks in favor of the PKK terrorist organization were written on the office windows.



November 20, 2022
France
Flers

Racist Attack on Turkish Association

The Flers Mosque in Ditib was attacked early in the morning. In the incident for which a neo-Nazi group called Division Charlemagne took responsibility, the walls of the mosque were vandalized. According to the security footage, the group also attempted to commit arson.



November 22, 2022
Germany
Hannover

Graves of Muslim Children Damaged

In a Muslim cemetery located in Stöcken, Hanover, 20 graves in the children's section were damaged.



November 23, 2022
Germany
Frankfurt

PKK Attack on Mosque

The Frankfurt-based ATIB Mevlana Mosque sign was profaned with red, green and yellow paint.



November 24, 2022
France
Grenoble

Turks Targeted by PKK Supporters

Having organized a demonstration and made statements in Grenoble, PKK supporters targeted the Turkish society and the Republic of Türkiye in their remarks.



November 25, 2022
France
Mantes-La-Jolie

Turks Targeted by PKK Supporters

Having organized a protest in Mantes-La-Jolie, PKK supporters targeted the Turkish society and the Republic of Türkiye in their remarks during the protest.



November 26, 2022
Austria
Innsbruck

Turks Targeted by PKK Supporters

In the capital of the Austrian state of Tyrol, PKK supporters organized a protest and targeted our citizens by shouting anti-Türkiye and anti-Turkish chants.



November 26, 2022
Switzerland
Zürich

Turks Targeted by PKK Supporters

In Zürich, Switzerland, PKK supporters organized a protest at the main train station and targeted our citizens by shouting anti-Türkiye and anti-Turkish chants.



November 26, 2022
Switzerland
Solothurn

Turks Targeted by PKK Supporters

In Solothurn, PKK supporters organized a protest and targeted our citizens by shouting anti-Türkiye and anti-Turkish chants.



November 26, 2022
Switzerland
Winterthur

Turks Targeted by PKK Supporters

In Winterthur, PKK supporters organized a protest and targeted our citizens by shouting anti-Türkiye and anti-Turkish chants.



December 04, 2022
France
Romans Sur Isere

Stones Thrown at the Mosque by Children

In Romans-Sur-Isere, around 15 children threw stones at the Turkish Cultural Association affiliated to DITIB. Due the incident, a vehicle near the association sustained property damage.



December 10, 2022
Switzerland
Bern

Turks Targeted by PKK Supporters

PKK supporters from other cities gathered to organize a protest in the capital of Switzerland, and targeted our citizens by shouting anti-Türkiye and anti-Turkish chants.



December 12, 2022
Germany
Velbert

PKK Supporters Profaned Mosque Wall

PKK supporters attacked the DITIB Yeni Mosque in Velbert, Germany. In the attack that took place right before midnight on Monday, PKK members wrote the slogan of a terrorist organization on the walls of the mosque.



December 15, 2022
France
Paris

Young Turkish Man Killed on Street

Living in Garges-la-Gonesse, Paris, A.G from Trabzon, who studied Architecture, was killed on the street 200 meters from his home, by 4 people wearing masks. The investigation into the death of the young man, who suffered a bullet in his head, is still under way.



December 23, 2022
France
Paris

3 PKK Sympathizers Victimized by Far-Right Terrorism

A 65-year-old French citizen who was a former Railways employee, opened fire randomly on Enghien Street in Paris, where the Kurdish cultural center and businesses are located. Three people died in the attack. The prosecutor's office made a statement that the perpetrator was a far-right Frenchman who had committed crimes of similar nature twice in the past.



December 23, 2022
France
Montpellier

2 Kebab Restaurants Attacked by PKK Supporters

After 3 PKK sympathizers were killed by a far-right Frenchman in Paris, once again Turkish citizens were targeted. Unable to slow down, PKK members used stones and sticks as they attacked two Turkish kebab restaurants on Eurydice Street in Montpellier. While no one was injured in the incident, the restaurants had to be closed for business.



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December 30, 2022
Germany
Erlangen

PKK Vandalism on Turkish Business

The only Turkish travel agency in Erlangen, Germany, was attacked by unknown persons on 30.12.2022. Remarks containing terrorist propaganda and insults against President Erdoğan were written on the windows of the business.



December 30, 2022
Switzerland
Aarau Buchs

PKK Attack on Turkish Association

On 30.12.2022, a heinous attack took place at night on the Aarau Buchs association. In the attack, fascistic remarks were written on the mosque association's service building while the doors, windows and walls of the mosque were smudged with red paint.



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