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Islamic Law and International Human Rights Law Anver M. Emon 2012-10-11 The relationship between Islamic law and international human rights law has been the subject of considerable, and heated, debate in recent years. The usual starting point has been to

test one system by the standards of the other, asking is Islamic law 'compatible' with international human rights standards, or vice versa. This approach quickly ends in acrimony and accusations of misunderstanding. By overlaying one set of norms on another we overlook the deeply contextual nature of how legal rules operate in a society, and meaningful comparison and discussion is impossible. In this volume, leading experts in Islamic law and international human rights law attempt to deepen the understanding of human rights and Islam, paving the way for a more meaningful debate. Focusing on central

areas of controversy, such as freedom of speech and religion, gender equality, and minority rights, the authors examine the contextual nature of how Islamic law and international human rights law are legitimately formed, interpreted, and applied within a community. They examine how these fundamental interests are recognized and protected within the law, and what restrictions are placed on the freedoms associated with them. By examining how each system recognizes and limits fundamental freedoms, this volume clears the ground for exploring the relationship between Islamic law and

international human rights law on a sounder footing. In doing so it offers a challenging and distinctive contribution to the literature on the subject, and will be an invaluable reference for students, academics, and policy-makers engaged in the legal and religious debates surrounding Islam and the West.

**The Hidden Enemy** Michael Youssef 2018-03-06 What's going on in our world? Why are suicide bombers attacking our cities? Why are shooters invading our workplaces and malls? Why are students attacking speakers at their colleges? Why are there two versions of the truth on the

Internet and in the media? Michael Youssef, popular teacher and Middle Eastern expert, explains in detail what's troubling today's world.

Aggressive secularism is stripping our nation of the vestiges of truth, as many Christians are browbeaten into silence. What's ironic is that secularism is actually opening the door to the "might makes right" nature of radical Islam. In a post-truth world, the most powerful voice wins. What can save us and our children from this chilling future? Michael Youssef, in this groundbreaking book, shows how we can win the war against aggressive secularism, beat back the threat

of radical Islam, and build a brighter future for both ourselves and the next generation. Be prepared for the times in which we live.

Understand what's happening. Stand up for a brighter and hope-filled future for our children.

**The Changing Nature of Religious Rights under International Law** Malcolm Evans 2015-03-19 The Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Intolerance and of Discrimination Based on Religion or Belief, as proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 1981, is the only universal human rights instrument

specifically focusing on religious intolerance and discrimination.

However, recent years have seen increasing controversy surrounding this right, in both political and legal contexts. The European Court of Human Rights has experienced a vast expansion in the number of cases it has had brought before it concerning religious freedom, and politically the boundaries of the right have been much disputed. This book provides a systematic analysis of the different approaches to religious rights which exist in public international law. The book explores how particular institutional perspectives emerge in the context of these

differing approaches. It examines, and challenges, these institutional perspectives. It identifies new directions for approaching religious rights through international law by examining existing legal tools, and assesses their achievements and shortcomings. It studies religious organisations' support for international human rights protection, as well as religious critique of international human rights and the development of an alternative religious 'Bills of Rights'. It investigates whether expressions of members belonging to religious minorities can be considered under the minority right to culture, rather

than the right to religion, and discusses the benefits and shortcomings of such a route. It analyses the reach and limits of the provisions in the 1981 Declaration, identifies ways in which the right is being eroded as a concept, and suggests new ways in which the right can be reinforced and protected.

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation and Human Rights

Marie Juul Petersen 2019-07-05  
Established in 1969, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) is an intergovernmental organization the purpose of which is the strengthening of solidarity among Muslims. Headquartered in Jeddah, the OIC today

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consists of fifty seven states from the Middle East, Asia, Africa, and Latin America. The OIC's longevity and geographic reach, combined with its self-proclaimed role as the United Nations of the Muslim world, raise certain expectations as to its role in global human rights politics. However, to date, these hopes have been unfulfilled. The Organization of Islamic Cooperation and Human Rights sets out to demonstrate the potential and shortcomings of the OIC and the obstacles on the paths it has navigated. Historically, the OIC has had a complicated relationship with the international human rights regime. Palestinian self-

determination was an important catalyst for the founding of the OIC, but the OIC did not develop a comprehensive human rights approach in its first decades. In fact, human rights issues were rarely, if at all, mentioned at the organization's summits or annual conferences of foreign ministers. Instead, the OIC tended to focus on protecting Islamic holy sites and strengthening economic cooperation among member states. As other international and regional organizations expanded the international human rights system in the 1990s, the OIC began to pay greater attention to human

rights, although not always in a manner that aligned with Western conceptions. This volume provides essential empirical and theoretical insights into OIC practices, contemporary challenges to human rights, intergovernmental organizations, and global Islam. Essays by some of the world's leading scholars examine the OIC's human rights activities at different levels—in the UN, the organization's own institutions, and at the member-state level—and assess different aspects of the OIC's approach, identifying priority areas of involvement and underlying conceptions of human rights.

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Mashood A. Baderin, Anthony Tirado Chase, Ioana Cismas, Moataz El Fegiery, Turan Kayaoglu, Martin Lestra, Ann Elizabeth Mayer, Mahmood Monshipouri, Marie Juul Petersen, Zeynep Bahin-Mencütek, Heini Skorini, M. Evren Tok.

*Don't Abolish Free Speech*

Martin Reott 2013-06-05 In this third book in "The Islamorealist Series" the authors fully explain just how close we are to losing the Freedom of Speech which was guaranteed to USA citizens in the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Working with the United Nations and the Organization for Islamic

Cooperation (2nd largest voting  
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bloc in the UN), Barack Hussein Obama and his administration have secretly signed-on to UN Resolution 16/18, criminalizing criticism of Islam. In Islamic countries, blasphemy laws allow for the beheading, or other form of death, of anyone who criticizes or ridicules Islam, the Qur'an, or Mohammed. Thousands of people have been slaughtered under these laws. Now there is a concerted effort to make blasphemy laws apply to U.S. citizens. Just in case you think it can't happen in the USA, you need to know that 60% of Muslims LIVING IN AMERICA agree that criticism of Islam should be criminalized. There is a

worldwide movement to abolish our freedoms as U.S. citizens and you need to know everything you can about what is happening. In "Don't Abolish Free Speech" you can learn about: \* Threats to the First Amendment of the Constitution\* The United Nations and the OIC - Who? What? Where? And Why?\* Sharia (Islamic) Law versus the Constitution\* The Qur'an, taqiyya, kitman, abrogation and a bunch of other Islamic words and ideas\* Blasphemy and Anti-blasphemy\* The "Best of Men" and the "Worst of Creatures"\* "An eye for an eye" and "turning the other cheek"\* Important Islamic Quotes That Every

American Should Know\* Islamic  
Global Goals\* What You Can  
Do To Protect Your Rights\* And  
Much More...Find out what you  
need to know to protect your  
freedoms and the freedoms of  
those you love.Get Your Copy  
TODAY!P.S. The book also  
includes a link to a FREE  
REPORT about the things you  
should know about Islam.

**Combatting Global Religious  
Intolerance** Marc Limon 2014

**The Rule of Law, Freedom of  
Expression and Islamic Law**

Hossein Esmaeili 2017-12-14

The importance of the rule of  
law is universally recognised  
and of fundamental value for  
most societies. Establishing and  
promoting the rule of law in the

Muslim world, particularly in the  
Middle East, North Africa, and  
Central Asia, has become a  
pressing but complicated issue.

These states have Muslim  
majority populations, and the  
religion of Islam has an  
important role in the traditional  
structures of their societies.

While the Muslim world is taking  
gradual steps towards the  
establishment of rule of law  
systems, most Muslim majority  
countries may not yet have  
effective legal systems with  
independent judiciaries, which  
would allow the state and  
institutions to be controlled by  
an effective rule of law system.

One important aspect of the  
rule of law is freedom of

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expression. Given the sensitivity of Muslim societies in relation to their sacred beliefs, freedom of expression, as an international human rights issue, has raised some controversial cases. This book, drawing on both International and Islamic Law, explores the rule of law, and freedom of expression and its practical application in the Muslim world.

**Reconciling Religion and Human Rights** Salama, Ibrahim

2022-04-14 Projecting a global interdisciplinary vision, this insightful book develops a peer-to-peer learning methodology to facilitate reconciling religion and human rights, both in multilateral contexts and at the

national level. Written by leading human rights practitioners, the book illuminates the tension zones between religion and rights, exploring how the 'faith' elements in both disciplines can create synergies for protecting equal human dignity.

**The Quran and the Secular Mind**

Shabbir Akhtar 2007-10-31 This book is concerned with the rationality and plausibility of the Muslim faith and the Qur'an, and in particular how they can be interrogated and understood through Western analytical philosophy. It also explores how Islam can successfully engage with the challenges posed by secular thinking. The Quran and

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the Secular Mind will be of interest to students and scholars of Islamic philosophy, philosophy of religion, Middle East studies, and political Islam. Critical Anthropological Engagements in Human Alterity and Difference Bjørn Enge Bertelsen 2017-01-03 This book explores how one measures and analyzes human alterity and difference in an interconnected and ever-globalizing world. This book critically assesses the impact of what has often been dubbed 'the ontological turn' within anthropology in order to provide some answers to these questions. In doing so, the book explores the turn's empirical

and theoretical limits, accomplishments, and potential. The book distinguishes between three central strands of the ontological turn, namely worldviews, materialities, and politics. It presents empirically rich case studies, which help to elaborate on the potentiality and challenges which the ontological turn's perspectives and approaches may have to offer.

**The Organization of Islamic Cooperation** Turan Kayaoglu 2015-05-22 The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) is the world's leading international Islamic organization. Turan Kayaoglu provides the first accessible and concise

introduction and overview of this  
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important organization. This book details the OIC's struggle to address popular Muslim demands balanced against the member states' reluctance to support the OIC politically and materially. Despite this predicament, the organization has made itself increasingly relevant over the last decade through increasing its visibility as the representative body of Muslim unity and promoting its role as a reliable interlocutor on behalf of Muslims in global society. Outlining the history, workings and goals of the OIC, the book also highlights key issues that may influence the OIC's ability to realize its potential in the future. This will

be of great interest to students and scholars of international relations, international organizations and Islamic studies.

*Routledge Handbook on Human Rights and the Middle East and North Africa* Anthony Tirado Chase 2016-11-10 Recent events such as 'Iran's Green Revolution' and the 'Arab Uprisings' have exploded notions that human rights are irrelevant to Middle Eastern and North African politics.

Increasingly seen as a global concern, human rights are at the fulcrum of the region's on-the-ground politics, transnational intellectual debates, and global political

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intersections. The Routledge Handbook on Human Rights and the Middle East and North Africa: emphasises the need to consider human rights in all their dimensions, rather than solely focusing on the political dimension, in order to understand the structural reasons behind the persistence of human rights violations; explores the various frameworks in which to consider human rights—conceptual, political and transnational/international; discusses issue areas subject to particularly intense debate—gender, religion, sexuality, transitions and accountability; contains

contributions from perspectives that span from global theory to grassroots reflections, emphasising the need for academic work on human rights to seriously engage with the thoughts and practices of those working on the ground. A multidisciplinary approach from scholars with a wide range of expertise allows the book to capture the complex dynamics by which human rights have had, or could have, an impact on Middle Eastern and North African politics. This book will therefore be a key resource for students and scholars of Middle Eastern and North African politics and society, as well as anyone with a concern for

Human Rights across the globe. Freedom or Submission: On the Dangers of Islamic Extremism & American Complacency Pamela Geller 2013-02-23 Author's Introduction We are at war. Our mortal enemy has made no secret of its goal and stated aim: "eliminating and destroying Western civilization from within and sabotaging its miserable house," and installing a universal caliphate. Pretending that fourteen hundred years of Islamic imperialism and expansionism didn't happen doesn't change reality. Ayn Rand said that you can avoid reality, but you cannot avoid the consequences of avoiding reality. If you refuse to fight, you

forfeit. If you forfeit, you lose. And I mean, lose everything. The stakes couldn't be higher. Islamic supremacists are more assertive in the United States than they ever have been before. They're building large mega-mosques in communities where the local Muslims can neither fill nor afford them. They're demanding—and receiving—special privileges for Muslims in workplaces and special installations for Islamic prayers in public universities, as well as in airports and other public facilities. (Islamic law places Muslims in a special class, giving them rights that non-Muslims do not have.)

They're bringing back prayer in  
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public schools—but only for Muslims: they are seeking special legal status for Islam. They're shutting down the national debate that we urgently need to have about Islam and Islamization. They are demonizing as “bigots,” “racists,” and “Islamophobes” anyone who suggests any anti-terror measure or who asks the Muslim community in the U.S. to do something effective about the jihadists and Islamic supremacists in their midst. Fight back. The question isn't who is going to let you, it's who is going to stop you.

**Foretold Kingdoms of the Islamic Anti-Christ** Johnny Spencer 2018-09-24 If you don't

wish to be left in the dark and base your admiration and acceptance of the religion of Islam on what is less than true, assuming it is just as every other religion in the world, then you must read *Foretold Kingdoms of the Islamic Anti-Christ* to learn of Islam's true origin and true destiny from the Holy Bible that most Muslim scholars are totally unaware about their own religion. Discover why the religion of Islam has survived through fourteen centuries of cultural and theocratic evolution until today and explore the Bible's true prophetic purpose of Islam's existence""whether it is to bring peace on earth and

goodwill toward man or for a more sinister purpose for the world. This bold new revelation on the end of Islam and its coded presence in Bible prophecy is openly expressed for all to see in this gripping unveiling of true ancient Islam!

### **Blasphemy and Freedom of**

**Expression** Jeroen Temperman

2017-11-16 This book details

the legal ramifications of existing anti-blasphemy laws and debates the legitimacy of such laws in Western liberal democracies.

### **Blasphemy and Freedom of**

**Expression** Jeroen Temperman

2017-11-16 The tension between blasphemy laws and the freedom of expression in

modern times is a key area of debate within legal academia and beyond. With contributions by leading scholars, this volume compares blasphemy laws within a number of Western liberal democracies and debates the legitimacy of these laws in the twenty-first century.

Including comprehensive and up-to-date comparative country studies, this book considers the formulation of blasphemy bans, relevant jurisprudential interpretations, the effect on society, and the ensuing convictions and penalties where applicable. It provides a useful historical analysis by discussing the legal-political rationales behind the recent abolition of

blasphemy laws in some Western states. Contributors also consider the challenges to the tenability of blasphemy laws in a selection of well-balanced theoretical chapters. This book is essential reading for scholars working within the fields of human rights law, philosophy and sociology of religion, and comparative politics.

### **Freedom of Speech and Its**

**Limits Wojciech Sadurski**

2014-08-15 In authoritarian

states, the discourse on

freedom of speech, conducted

by those opposed to non-

democratic governments,

focuses on the core aspects of

this freedom: on a right to

criticize the government, a right

to advocate theories and ideologies contrary to government-imposed orthodoxy, a right to demand institutional reforms, changes in politics, resignation of the incompetent and the corrupt from positions of authority. The claims for freedom of speech focus on those exercises of freedom that are most fundamental and most beneficial to citizens - and which are denied to them by the government. But in a by-and-large democratic polity, where these fundamental benefits of freedom of speech are generally enjoyed by the citizens, the public and scholarly discourse on freedom of speech hovers about the

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peripheries of that freedom; the focus is on its outer boundaries rather than at the central territory of freedom of speech. Those borderline cases, in which people who are otherwise genuinely committed to the core aspects of freedom of speech may sincerely disagree, include pornography, racist hate speech and religious bigoted expressions, defamation of politicians and of private persons, contempt of court, incitement to violence, disclosure of military or commercial secrets, advertising of merchandise such as alcohol or cigarettes or of services and entertainment such as gambling and prostitution.

Secular Power Europe and Islam Sarah Wolff 2021-06-08  
Secular Power Europe and Islam argues that secularism is not the central principle of international relations but should be considered as one belief system that influences international politics. Through an exploration of Europe's secular identity, an identity that is seen erroneously as normative, author Sarah Wolff shows how Islam confronts the EU's existential anxieties about its security and its secular identity. Islam disrupts Eurocentric assumptions about democracy and revolution and human rights. Through three case studies, Wolff encourages

the reader to unpack secularism as a bedrock principle of IR and diplomacy. This book argues that the EU's interest and diplomacy activities in relation to religion, and to Islam specifically, are shaped by the insistence on a European secular identity that should be reconsidered.

### **Freedom of Expression in Islam**

Muhammad Khalid Masud

2021-01-28 In Muslim countries, apostasy and blasphemy laws are defended on the grounds that they are based on Islamic Shari'a and intended to protect religion. But blasphemy and apostasy laws can be used both to suppress thought and debate and to harass religious

minorities, both inside and outside Islam. This book – comprising contributions from Muslim scholars, experts and activists - critically and constructively engages with the theological, historical and legal reasoning behind the most restrictive state laws around the world to open up new ways of thinking. The book focuses on the struggle within Muslim societies in Iran, Egypt, Pakistan and Indonesia where blasphemy and apostasy laws serve powerful groups to silence dissent and stifle critical thought. The first part of the book covers the development of the law in shifting historical circumstances and surveys the

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interpretations of Qur'anic verses that seem to affirm freedom of religion. The second part examines the present politics and practices of prosecuting alleged blasphemers and/or apostates in Muslim countries. The third part looks to the future and where reforms of the law could be possible. Debates on Islam and freedom of expression are often cast in polarizing terms of rights versus religion, East versus West. This volume avoids such approaches by bringing together a diverse group of Muslim scholars and activists with the knowledge, commitment and courage to contest repressive

interpretations of religion and provide a resource for reclaiming the human rights to freedom of expression and belief.

*Religion, State and the United Nations* Anne Stensvold

2016-07-22 This volume approaches the UN as a laboratory of religio-political value politics. Over the last two decades religion has acquired increasing influence in international politics, and religious violence and terrorism has attracted much scholarly attention. But there is another parallel development which has gone largely unnoticed, namely the increasing political impact of peaceful religious actors. With

several religious actors in one place and interacting under the same conditions, the UN is as a multi-religious society writ small. The contributors to this book analyse the most influential religious actors at the UN (including The Roman Catholic Church; The Organisation of Islamic Countries; the Russian Orthodox Church). Mapping the peaceful political engagements of religious actors; who they are and how they collaborate with each other - whether on an ad hoc basis or by forming more permanent networks - throwing light at the modus operandi of religious actors at the UN; their strategies and motivations. The chapters are closely interrelated

through the shared focus on the UN and common theoretical perspectives, and pursue two intertwined aspects of religious value politics, namely the whys and hows of cross-religious cooperation on the one hand, and the interaction between religious actors and states on the other. Drawing together a broad range of experts on religious actors, this work will be of great interest to students and scholars of Religion and Politics, International Relations and the UN.

**Jews, Antisemitism, and the Middle East** Michael Curtis

2017-09-08 Will animosity towards Jews and the State of Israel never end? This book

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ventures to rectify the misrepresentations, propaganda, obsessions, and falsifications widely disseminated in the media and public discourse, explaining the motivations behind them. The issues Michael Curtis scrutinizes are complicated and controversial, sometimes even baffling, but he reviews them in as objective and rigorous a manner as possible. Curtis divides his arguments into five key areas: political correctness and the obsessive attack on Israel; the surprising and disturbing rise of antisemitism; the Arab world and the Islamist threat; the Palestinian narrative; and the Israeli/Palestinian

conflict. The first section focuses on the censorious attitude toward Israel taken by many in the international community. A second section consists of essays on the increase of contemporary antisemitism in Arab and Muslim countries as well as European democracies. In the third section, the author addresses changes in the Arab world, the threat of Iranian ambitions, the new alliance of Sunni Islamist states, and the growing strength and danger of Islamic fundamentalism and extremist behavior. His fourth section, on the Palestinian Narrative, details the acceptance by many critics of

Israel and the international media of the Palestinian narrative of victimhood. Finally, the section on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict details the continuing struggle within the Middle East between Israelis and Palestinians. This book is a must read for historians, political scientists, Jewish studies scholars, and all those interested in one of the most volatile and controversial regions in the world today.

**International Law, Security and Ethics** Aidan Hehir 2014-02-04

This book examines the different ways in which the laws governing the use of force and the conduct of warfare have become subject to intense

scrutiny and contestation since the initiation of the war on terror. Since the end of the Cold War, the nature of security challenges has changed radically and this change has been recognised by the UN, governments and academics around the world. The 911 attacks and the subsequent launch of the 'war on terror' added a new dimension to this debate on the nature and utility of international law due to the demands from some quarters for a change in the laws governing self-defence and humanitarian intervention. This book analyses the nature of these debates and focuses on key issues that have led to the

unprecedented contemporary questioning of both the utility and composition of international law on the use of force as well as the practicability of using force, including handling of 'prisoners' and 'security risks'. It also identifies the sources of division and addresses the capacities of security policy and international law to adapt to the changed international environment. This book will of much interest to students of international law, war and conflict studies, and IR and Security Studies in general.

**The Complete Infidel's Guide to Free Speech (and Its Enemies)**

Robert Spencer 2017-07-24

"JUST STAY QUIET AND

YOU'LL BE OKAY." That's what Mohamed Atta told the doomed airline passengers on 9/11. And we still hear the exact same message today from the powerful but shadowy lobby that is working behind the scenes to gut the First Amendment and prohibit "hate speech"—or any criticism—of Islam. As bestselling author Robert Spencer shows in his startling new book, *The Complete Infidel's Guide to Free Speech (and Its Enemies)*, aggressive Muslims and their appeasers have mounted a dangerous and disturbingly successful campaign against our constitutional rights. Spencer reveals: How social media

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behemoths Facebook and Twitter—not to mention student groups at American college campuses—are doing the bidding of anti-First Amendment Muslim activists Why core Islamic teachings make criticism of Islam punishable by death How American representatives at the United Nations have already agreed to limit freedom of speech How Curt Schilling and other outspoken conservatives have lost their jobs for criticizing Islam Why Twitter and Facebook now regularly censor speech critical of Islam—while allowing death threats against its critics How blasphemy laws in Muslim countries are used as a pretext

for arresting, even lynching Christians How European "hate speech" laws are used to prosecute and harass critics of Islam Why appeasement of Islam is endangering our First Amendment freedoms and could lead to your prosecution for "hate speech" If you value your First Amendment rights, you owe it to yourself to read *The Complete Infidel's Guide to Free Speech (and Its Enemies)*. It will give you the information and tools you need to fight back—because Islam and its progressive fellow travelers have only begun their campaign to define what you can read, say, and think.

*America's Vision vs. God's*  
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*Standard of Justice* Walt Thrun  
2015-09-28 This book examines  
God's standard of  
righteousness and justice as  
revealed to the nation of Israel  
and then compares those  
standards with America's  
progressive vision. It discusses  
this nation's three major  
branches of government—i.e.,  
executive, legislative, and  
judicial—relative to America's  
perception of national authority  
and justice. It also considers  
specific contemporary domestic,  
economic, and foreign policy  
issues to determine if America's  
priorities compare with God's  
revealed standards. A major  
Scripture reference will be,  
“Now all these things happened

to them (Israelites) as  
examples, and they were  
written for our admonition, upon  
whom the ends of the ages  
have come.” (1 Corinthians  
10:11) A comprehensive  
chapter on the Middle East  
entitled “The Fertile Crescent:  
Geographic Center of  
Prophecy” presents biblical  
evidence that this age will end  
where it all began. The study  
also offers in this context a  
unique perspective on the final  
world kingdom based on both  
biblical prophecy and Islamic  
literature. More than five  
hundred Scripture passages  
containing more than one  
thousand verses are referenced  
and quoted from twenty-six

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books of the Old Testament and twenty-four books of the New Testament. This book is ideally suited for group Bible studies in addition to enhancing individual understanding of the requirements for national success based on biblical teachings.

### **Identity, Islam and the Twilight of Liberal Values** Terri Murray

2018-10-31 Since its publication in 1992, an array of commentators have criticised Francis Fukuyama's optimism in *The End of History and the Last Man* for supposing that liberal democracy is the one political model with sufficient moral and practical resilience to endure through the vicissitudes of

future historical events. In hindsight, it seems Fukuyama underestimated liberal democracy's ethno-religious rivals, and religious fundamentalism's powerfully resistant bulwark against liberal democracy. This book offers a trenchant analysis of the post-millennial cultural shift away from the defining liberal social values of the post-war and post-colonial global revolutionary movements. It dissects the incoherent reasoning by which the liberal values of racial equality, tolerance, diversity, feminism, and gender have been evacuated of their past meanings and put into the service of a reactionary politics.

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that uses superficially plausible bait to sell the same regressive ideology that religious social conservatives have been peddling for decades.

**Through These Blues** D.C.

Watson 2013 An account of the author's "thoughts on what I've seen happen across the American landscape and what I've experienced while squaring off with apologists and enablers for Islamic jihad, who operate inside American borders under the pretense of wanting to promote mutual understanding"-P. 4.

**Religious Offence and Human**

**Rights** Lorenz Langer

2014-07-10 Should offence to religions be punishable by law,

or does freedom of expression extend even to blasphemy?

*International Development Law*

Petra Minnerop 2019 This

volume brings together articles

on international development

law from the Max Planck

Encyclopedia of Public

International Law, the definitive

reference work on international

law. It provides an invaluable

resource for scholars, students,

and practitioners of international

development law, giving an

accessible, thorough overview

of all aspects of the field. Each

article contains cross-references

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guide to further reading. The Encyclopedia can be used by a wide range of readers. Experienced scholars and practitioners will find a wealth of information on areas that they do not already know well as well as in-depth treatments on every aspect of their specialist topics. Articles can also be set as readings for students on taught courses.

*The OIC, the UN, and Counter-Terrorism Law-Making* Katja

Samuel 2014-07-18 The increasingly transnational nature of terrorist activities compels the international community to strengthen the legal framework in which counter-terrorism activities should occur at every

level, including that of intergovernmental organizations. This unique, timely, and carefully researched monograph examines one such important yet generally under-researched and poorly understood intergovernmental organization, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation ('OIC', formerly the Organization of the Islamic Conference). In particular, it analyses in depth its institutional counter-terrorism law-making practice, and the relationship between resultant OIC law and comparable UN norms in furtherance of UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy goals. Furthermore, it explores two common

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(mis)assumptions regarding the OIC, namely whether its internal institutional weaknesses mean that its law-making practice is inconsequential at the intergovernmental level; and whether its self-declared Islamic objectives and nature are irrelevant to its institutional practice or are instead reflected within OIC law. Where significant normative tensions are discerned between OIC law and UN law, the monograph explores not only whether these may be explicable, at least in part, by the OIC's Islamic nature, and objectives, but also whether their corresponding institutional legal orders are conflicting or cooperative in

nature, and the resultant implications of these findings for international counter-terrorism law- and policy-making. This monograph is expected to appeal especially to national and intergovernmental counter-terrorism practitioners and policy-makers, as well as to scholars concerned with the interaction between international and Islamic law norms. From the Foreword by Professor Ben Saul, The University of Sydney Dr Samuels book must be commended as an original and insightful contribution to international legal scholarship on the OIC, Islamic law, international law, and counter-terrorism. It fills significant gaps

in legal knowledge about the vast investment of international and regional effort that has gone into the global counter-terrorism enterprise over many decades, and which accelerated markedly after 9/11. The scope of the book is ambitious, its subject matter is complex, and its sources are many and diverse. Dr Samuel has deployed an appropriate theoretical and empirical methodology, harnessed an intricate knowledge of the field, and brought a balanced judgement to bear, to bring these issues to life.

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*Appropriations for 2015 United*

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**ISLAMOPHOBIA: Roots, Consequences and Solutions**

Mahmoud Refaat 2021-09-06

These many competing voices now make the religious, cultural, and political ideas that support public debate and define Muslim life (and the objects and behaviors that symbolize these ideas) more and more familiar to the world around them. Non-Muslim origin (Lewis, 2007).

Media reports related to British military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan; national and

international terrorism (such as  
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acts on behalf of Al Qaeda, the Taliban, or Islamic State); British media coverage of Muslims and Islamic culture has increased the number of Muslims living in the UK. The image of Muslims has aroused people's interest in the religion, culture, and politics that shape the identity of Muslims.

Understanding of these ideas and symbols and considerable and obvious misunderstandings are used to inform the debate, not only in the Muslim community but also in modern British society as a whole. The issues that shape the Muslim population in the UK inform and promote discussions (popular and academic) related to a

wider range of topics and themes. Topics include national identity and citizenship; domestic and foreign policies; multicultural and social cohesion; the nature of religion and secularism; patriarchy and feminism; gender and sexual orientation issues; issues related to immigration; and access to public services and criminal justice chance. These themes sparked debates that resonated with different and sometimes different perspectives and linked a wide range of national interest issues to specific elements of British Muslim life and experiences within the Muslim community.

Many questions about British

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Muslims can be described as a lens through which you can see the changing and changing nature of the entire British society; the way non-members view minority communities and the way these communities view the entire society shaping and reshaping National and cultural identity. Therefore, the study of the relationship between British Muslims and non-Muslim groups (and their thoughts and values) can not only reveal how a person perceives or be seen by others, but can also reveal how everyone perceives themselves. He also contributed to the debate surrounding the Muslim population in Britain. It focuses

on a controversial concept that has been used to describe the relationship between the British Muslim population and various other groups: non-Muslim communities, state institutions, and the media: "Islamophobia".

1 This concept is commonly used to Define intolerance of the case. , Prejudice and hostility towards Muslims and Islamic beliefs. However, its use has become the subject of discussion, speculation, and controversy.

Free Speech, Religion and the United Nations Heini í Skorini

2019-08-14 This book explores the political struggle to interpret and define the meaning, the scope and the implications of

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human rights norms in general and freedom of expression in particular. From the Rushdie affair and the Danish cartoon affair to the Charlie Hebdo massacre and draconian legislation against blasphemy worldwide, the tensions between free speech ideals and religious sensitivities have polarized global public opinion and the international community of states, triggering fierce political power struggles in the corridors of the UN. Inspired by theories of norm diffusion in International Relations, Skorini investigates how the struggle to define the limits of free speech vis-à-vis religion unfolds within the UN system. Revealing how

human rights terminology is used and misused, the book also considers how the human rights vision paradoxically contains the potential to justify human rights violations in practice. The author explains how states exercise power within the field of international human rights politics and how non-democratic states strategically apply mainstream human rights language and secular human rights law in order to justify authoritarian religious censorship norms both nationally and internationally. This interdisciplinary book will appeal to scholars and students researching international human rights, religion and politics. The

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empirical chapters are also relevant for professionals and activists within the field of human rights.

### **Religious Discrimination and Cultural Context** Kerry

O'Halloran 2017-11-23

Generations of festering culture wars, compounded by actual wars in predominantly Muslim countries, the terrorism of Isis, and the ongoing migrant crisis have all combined to make religious discrimination the most pressing challenge now facing many governments. For the leading common law nations, with their shared Christian cultural heritage balanced by a growing secularism, the threat presented by this toxic mix has

the potential to destabilise civil society. This book suggests that the instances of religious discrimination, as currently legally defined, are constrained by that cultural context, exacerbated by a policy of multiculturalism, and in practice, conflated with racial, ethnic or other forms of discrimination.

Kerry O'Halloran argues that many culture war issues - such as those that surround the pro-choice/pro-life debate and the rights of the LGBT community - can be viewed as rooted in the same Christian morality that underpins the law relating to religious discrimination.

### **Freedom of Religion Or Belief**

Heiner Bielefeldt 2016

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Violations of religious freedom and violence committed in the name of religion grab our attention on a daily basis.

Freedom of Religion or Belief is a key human right, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, numerous conventions, declarations and soft law standards include specific provisions on freedom of religion or belief. The 1981 Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Intolerance and of Discrimination Based on Religion or Belief has been interpreted since 1986 by the mandate of the UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief. Special Rapporteurs (for example those

on racism, freedom of expression, minority issues and cultural rights) and Treaty Bodies (for example the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and the Committee on the Rights of the Child) have also elaborated on freedom of religion or belief in the context of their respective mandates. Freedom of Religion or Belief: An International Law Commentary is the first commentary to look comprehensively at the international provisions for the protection of freedom of religion or belief, considering how they are interpreted by various United Nations Special Procedures and Treaty Bodies.

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Structured around the thematic categories of the United Nations Special Rapporteur's framework for communications, the commentary analyses the limitations on the wearing of religious symbols and vulnerable situations, including those of women, detainees, refugees, children, minorities and migrants, through a combination of scholarly expertise and practical experience.

Islam and the Infidels David Bukay 2016-03-01 This book discusses Islam, its relationship with the world, and how Muslims perceive the world and their role within it. Using Islamic scriptures and the works of

important Muslim clerics, the author explores the Islamic notion that Muslims represent the best of humanity, and as such, have the duty and the right to propagate their faith throughout the world by any means, including violence. Islam and the Infidels warns of the dangers Muslim immigration poses to free societies. Using a diplomacy of deceit, Islamists immigrate to Western societies. Having done so, they establish closed ethnic communities that are estranged from their host countries, and are breeding grounds for native-born malcontents who may attack and destroy Western nations from within. The author is

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especially critical of Western apologists who not only pretend that Islam is not inherently aggressive and dangerous, but also denigrate those who point out the threat to liberal values posed by fundamentalist Islamic ideology. Bukay argues that to meet the Islamic threat, the West must understand Islam's true nature, and the best way of doing so is by analyzing its scriptures and history. Bukay argues that Western societies should embrace the Judeo-Christian tradition, which is the root of their cultural heritage. In light of the mounting Muslim threat to liberalism in Western societies, citizens should resist oppressive Islamic practices

and doctrines rather than accept them.

### The Debasing of Human Rights Aaron Rhodes

2018-04-17 The idea of human rights began as a call for individual freedom from tyranny, yet today it is exploited to rationalize oppression and promote collectivism. How did this happen? Aaron Rhodes, recognized as "one of the leading human rights activists in the world" by the University of Chicago, reveals how an emancipatory ideal became so debased. Rhodes identifies the fundamental flaw in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the basis for many international treaties and

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institutions. It mixes freedom rights rooted in natural law—authentic human rights—with “economic and social rights,” or claims to material support from governments, which are intrinsically political. As a result, the idea of human rights has lost its essential meaning and moral power. The principles of natural rights, first articulated in antiquity, were compromised in a process of accommodation with the Soviet Union after World War II, and under the influence of progressivism in Western democracies. Geopolitical and ideological forces ripped the concept of human rights from its

foundations, opening it up to abuse. Dissidents behind the Iron Curtain saw clearly the difference between freedom rights and state-granted entitlements, but the collapse of the USSR allowed demands for an expanding array of economic and social rights to gain legitimacy without the totalitarian stigma. The international community and civil society groups now see human rights as being defined by legislation, not by transcendent principles. Freedoms are traded off for the promise of economic benefits, and the notion of collective rights is used to justify restrictions on basic liberties.

We all have a stake in human rights, and few serious observers would deny that the concept has lost clarity. But no one before has provided such a comprehensive analysis of the problem as Rhodes does here, joining philosophy and history with insights from his own extensive work in the field.

**Jihadist Psychopath** Jamie Glazov 2018-12-18 Every element of the formula by which the psychopath subjugates his victim, the Islamic Supremacist likewise uses to ensnare and subjugate non-Muslims. And in the same way that the victim of the psychopath is complicit in his own destruction, Western civilization is now embracing

and enabling its own conquest and consumption.

*Blasphemies Compared* Anne Stensvold 2020-11-30 This volume examines both historical developments and contemporary expressions of blasphemy across the world. The transgression of religious boundaries incurs more or less severe sanctions in various religious traditions. This book looks at how religious and political authorities use ideas about blasphemy as a means of control. In a globalised world where people of different faiths interact more than ever before and world-views are an increasingly important part of identity politics, religious

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boundaries is a source of controversy. The book goes beyond many others in this field by widening its scope beyond the legal aspects of freedom of expression. Approaching blasphemy as effective speech, the chapters in this book focus on real life situations and ask: who are the blasphemers; who are their accusers and what does blasphemy accomplish? Utilising case studies from Europe, the Middle East and Asia that encompass a wide variety of faith traditions, the book guides readers to a more nuanced appreciation of the historical roots, political implications and religious rationale of attitudes towards

blasphemy. Incorporating historical and contemporary approaches to blasphemy, this book will be of great use to academics in Religious Studies and the Sociology of Religion as well as Political Science, Media Studies, History. Islam, Oil, and Geopolitics  
Elizabeth Van Wie Davis  
2006-11-06 Once an obscure and little-known region, Central Asia has become an important test of America's ability to consistently promote global liberal change, of Russia's true foreign policy agenda, and of China's readiness to translate economic power into political influence. Terrorism, economics, and politics all converge in this

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strategic region, with important implications for Asia and the world. A set of international contributors focuses on three important issues that are usually—and unfortunately—analyzed separately: Islamic political issues, energy security, and geopolitical maneuvering. This significant and timely volume helps readers understand current events in Central Asia and how those events affect the rest of the world.

Offensive Speech, Religion, and the Limits of the Law Nicholas Hatzis 2021-03-29 Is a government justified in restricting speech offensive to religious belief? If so, what principles are at stake? Drawing on constitutional theory and social and political philosophy, this book discusses the normative reasons that support or negate government interference and their interaction with individual and collective religious freedom.