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INTRODUCTION

The goal of the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities is to improve the living standards and ensure the rights and freedoms of Turkish citizens living abroad in the countries in which they reside. Our presidency prepares the "Attacks Targeting Turkish Citizens Abroad" report every year as a necessity to combat the grown anti-Islamic sentiment, racism, and security threats that Turkish citizens abroad face, particularly in Western countries, as well as to increase international communication and cooperation.

Hate crimes targeting Turkish citizens for their religion, language, origin or nationality are reported to our ministry through media scans, foreign representatives, and our citizens. These crimes are logged and statistics are then created according to criteria such as primary motivation, goal, type, and the country in which they occurred.

However, this data can only contribute to the end of terrorist acts rooted in anti-Islamic sentiment and racism when all key players, at the national and international level, comprehend the magnitude of the hatred they show, rather than just the numbers.

Today we see anti-Islamic sentiment, as well as anti-Turkish racism, in supermarkets, football fields, job applications, health care institutions, children's channels, and political party campaigns. We also hear it in the statements and rhetoric of important government and political leaders. The fact that political figures such as Marine Le Pen can even propose the suspension of the Human Rights Convention, an achievement of humanity, is deeply disturbing.

At the same time, Turkish and Muslim communities are not the only victims of racist violence and terror. A 21-year-old man's house was raided in Hildesheim, Germany, on the grounds that he was planning to attack "religious people". A 14-year-old student in Cologne was preparing to attack mosques and synagogues with explosives, and had stored a number of chemicals used in bomb making, and had experimented with fireworks as well. These incidents clearly show how hatred and violence can impact an entire generation.

Acts of violence and hatred, whether committed by far right terrorist groups or the PKK terrorist organization, must be taken seriously and their links to other crimes investigated. Failing to recognize such acts as hate crimes by calling them massacres, arson, or "lone wolf" incidents makes a systematic fight against racist terrorism impossible.

It is the duty and responsibility for states to fight terrorism in all forms to ensure the safety of their citizens and provide a better, brighter future for their youth. This fight against terrorism and racial violence is paramount, for if hatred and hateful rhetoric is normalized no one is truly safe from its dangerous consequences.



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A BROAD LOOK AT ATTACKS TARGETING TURKISH CITIZENS ABROAD IN 2020

Generally speaking, in terms of hate crimes committed against Turkish citizens and Muslims, 2020 was worse than 2019. Both the rate of incidence and the degree of violence grew in 2020, with Turkish houses of worship, schools, foundations, and businesses as well as vehicles belonging to Turkish diplomats being targets.

There were 253 cases of hate crimes, directly or indirectly, targeting Turkish citizens living abroad in 2019. This date was obtained through media scans or reported by foreign representatives and our citizens. In 2020, the number of hate crimes increased by 53.7% to 389. Of course, this number only includes cases reported in the media and reported to our Presidency, and based on surveys the actual number of incidents is estimated to be fives times higher.

According to the records of the Presidency of Turks Abroad and Related Communities, of the 389 hate crimes committed against Turkish citizens in 2020 across 28 different countries in America, Europe and Australia, Germany ranks 1st, as it did last year, with 205 attacks. Germany is followed by France with 40 cases and Austria with 37.



Distribution of Hate Motivated Attacks Targeting Turkish Citizens Abroad in 2020 by Country

| Country | Number of Attacks |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Germany | 205 |
| France | 40 |
| Austria | 37 |
| Switzerland | 15 |
| The Netherlands | 15 |
| Belgium | 12 |
| Sweden | 11 |
| Greece | 8 |
| Denmark | 6 |
| USA | 6 |
| Bulgaria | 4 |
| UK | 4 |
| Canada | 4 |
| Argentina | 2 |
| Australia | 2 |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | 2 |
| Czechia | 2 |
| South Cyprus | 2 |
| North Macedonia | 2 |
| Norway | 2 |
| Estonia | 1 |
| Georgia | 1 |
| Ireland | 1 |
| Italy | 1 |
| Lithuania | 1 |
| Montenegro | 1 |
| Serbia | 1 |
| New Zealand | 1 |
| Total | 389 |





Far-right terrorism, which has both racist and anti-Islam motives, is the primary source of hate crimes against Turkish citizens, but the PKK terrorists and Armenians with racist motivations are also responsible for a number of attacks. It should be noted that when a terrorist, whose ties to the PKK terrorist organization are well known in Turkey, was captured, he testified that he was an DEASH sympathizer and as such the 6 counts of arson he committed against Turks was recorded as an DEASH attack. These types of cases are presented in the "Close-up" section of the report. Another notable group responsible for attacks against foreign dignitaries is the People's Front, a sub-structure of the DHKP-C terrorist organization.

Distribution of Attacks Targeting Turkish Citizens Abroad in 2020 by Motivation

| Motive | Number of Attacks |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Anti-Islamic Sentiment | 192 |
| Racism | 162 |
| PKK Terrorism | 14 |
| Armenian Racism | 13 |
| DEASH | 6 |
| People's Front | 2 |
| Total | 389 |

In addition to the distribution of hate crimes by country and motivation, when evaluated according to their targets and types of attacks, an alarming trend emerges, especially in terms of individual immunity and right to life. Due to hate crimes committed against Turkish citizens abroad, at least 20 people were injured and 6 killed in 2019, while in 2020 at least 36 people were injured (3 of which were stabbed) and 5 killed, 4 of them in the Hanau massacre.

In cases of arson against Tukish citizens in 2019, there were 14 attacks recorded in total, targeting 4 mosques, 2 residences, 9 vehicles, and 1 sports club owned by Turks (in some cases, attackers were able damage more than one target in a single incident). In 2020 there were 25 cases of arson targeting 13 small businesses, 5 mosques, 5 residences, 1 school, 1 association and 11 vehicles.

When it comes to hate speech, it's notable that besides the anti-Turkish and anti-Muslim news and messages in both traditional and social media, letters and verbal assaults containing individualized threats and slurs, there is an emerging trend of hoax bomb threats.

These hoax threats are typically made to Mosques right before Friday prayers in order to disrupt the prayer. In 2020, as in 2019, there were 12 fake bomb threats made to mosques. Prayer was interrupted, the mosques were evacuated, and police officers with dogs had to conduct detailed searches of the mosques to ensure there were no real bombs.

The following table presents the types and number of attacks targeting Turkish citizens abroad in 2020.

Distribution of Attacks Targeting Turkish Citizens Abroad in 2020 by Type

| Attack Type | Number | |
|---------------------------------|--------|--|
| Hate Speech/Threat ¹ | 225 | |
| Personal Attack ² | 37 | |
| Arson ³ | 25 | |
| Other Physical Attacks⁴ | | |
| Attacks on Mosques | 45 | |
| Attacks on Property | 18 | |
| Attacks on Vehicles | 12 | |
| Attacks on Foundations | 12 | |
| Attacks on Businesses | 7 | |
| Attacks on Foreign Dignitaries | 3 | |
| Attacks on Cemetaries | 3 | |
| Attacks on Schools | 2 | |
| Total | 389 | |

- ¹12 false bomb threats against Turkish mosques abroad are included in this category. Under this category, messages with hate content in traditional media and social media, threats and hate letters sent to individuals and organizations, and the leaving of non-damaging slaughtered pig pieces and trashing are included as well.
- ²This category counts the number of physical attacks on Turks. In these cases, as stated before, at least 36 people were injured (3 stabbing) and 5 people were killed. In some cases, details of the background of the victims are lacking. In this regard, it is likely that the number of victims of Turkish descent is more than 36.
- ³As stated before, 13 businesses, 5 mosques, 5 residences, 1 school, 1 foundation and 11 vehicles were targeted in 3 arson cases. More than one target can be damaged in an attack.
- ⁴ This category includes attacks that caused material damage by throwing stones or spray-painting or as a result of vandalism.

The majority of attacks targeting Turkish citizens that took place in Germany (which accounted for 53% of all attacks worldwide) were committed due to anti-Islamic sentiment. The number of these religion based attacks were 104. The motives behind the other attacks are distributed as follows:

| Motive | Number of Attacks |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Anti-Islamic Sentiment | 104 |
| Racism | 88 |
| PKK Terrorist Organization | 7 |
| DEASH | 6 |
| TOTAL | 205 |

Distribution of Attacks Targeting Turkish Citizens Abroad in Germany in 2020 by Motivation

Of the 205 attacks in Germany targeting or affecting the Turks in 2020:

- 21 attacks against individuals (4 deaths, at least 19 injuries)
- 17 counts of arson (10 businesses, 5 residences, 10 vehicles, 2 mosques, 1 foundation)
- material damage caused by paint, stone throwing, and vandalism
 - o 22 attacks on mosques
 - o 9 attacks on vehicles
 - o 8 attacks on property
 - o 4 attacks on foundations and sports clubs
 - o 2 attacks on businesses
 - o 1 attack on a pre-school
 - o 1 attack on commentaries
- 119 non-physical hate crimes: threats and incidents of hate speech (including 12 false bomb reports)

The distribution of the attacks in France, which had the second highest number of attacks against Turks is as follows:

| Motive | Number of Attacks |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Racism | 19 |
| Anti-Islamic Sentiment | 18 |
| Armenian Racism | 2 |
| PKK Terrorist Organization | 1 |
| TOTAL | 40 |

In the 3 attacks targeting individuals in France in 2020, 6 Turks were injured (3 of them in the attacks of Armenians with racist motivations), 1 mosque faced attempted arson. 2 physical attacks against mosques (one of which targeted the community with fireworks), 3 attacks on foundations, 1 attack on a school, 2 attacks on the same Turkish business, 1 attack on a residence, 1 attack on a vehicle, 24 cases of hate speech and threats were recorded.

In Austria, which ranks third in attacks against Turks according to records, the distribution of the attacks by motivation is as follows:

| Motive | Number of Attacks |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Racism | 20 |
| Anti-Islamic Sentiment | 14 |
| PKK Terrorist Organization | 3 |
| TOTAL | 37 |



In Austria, in addition to one citizen who was verbally and physically abused for wearing a headscarf, 5 mosques, 1 property and a foreign representative office were attacked. There were also 29 reported cases of hate speech and non-physical threats: 8 of which targeted mosques, 3 targeted individuals, and one targeted a social housing unit where Turks and Muslims live, while 18 targeted the Turkish and Muslim community in general.

In the next section, the far-right hate crimes that directly or indirectly targeted Turkish citizens in 28 countries in 2020 are presented in chronological order and in detail. Detailed information will also be provided in chronological order for key cases in three seperate **Close-Up Files**: the **Hanau Terrorist Attack**, **NSU Murders and Litigation Process**, and **Waldkraiburg Bomber**. Following the far-right terrorist incidents, the attacks committed by PKK terrorist organization and Armenians with racist motivations targeting Turks abroad are included at the end of the report in a separate section.

Taking all these hate crimes into consideration, in particular the bomb threats and other types of threats clearly committed by far right terrorist groups or the PKK terrorist organization, it is obvious that the responsibility of properly investigating and bringing such crimes to justice is not only a must for the Turkish and Muslim communities' security and peace, but by not doing so it also affects the entire Western World.

It should be emphasized again that instead of fighting racism, which is growing in Western societies and becoming established institutionally, the increase of politicians who have embraced populism and the generations which has become accustomed to hate and violence under the influence of media is the biggest threat that requires urgent intervention for the whole world.

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01.01.2020 GERMANY Misburg

Quran Burning

A copy of the Qur'an in German was burned near the Misburg Selimiye Mosque belonging to the Islamic Community Milli Görüş (IGMG) Organizations. A 55-year-old person, who lived near the Hanover Misburg Selimiye Mosque and had previously spoken to mosque administrators, burned the German Quran in front of the mosque. It was discovered that the attacker in question had hung anti-Islamic texts and pictures on the windows of his apartment, in view of the mosque.

02.01.2020 USA New York

Racist Assault on a Visually Impaired Person

A visually impaired Turkish person was battered by someone he accidentally bumped with his cane in New York, USA.

03.01.2020 GERMANY Duisburg

Attack on TV Channel Owner's House

In the city of Duisburg, unidentified people entered the house of the owner of a Turkish television channel. The couches were slashed and dirt was left in various parts of the house. The owner of the channel stated that he thought the attack was carried out because they aired recent reports criticizing xenophobia-motivated incidents, discriminatory treatment, and the NSU murders on Kanal Avrupa.



03.01.2020 GERMANY Münchberg Attack on Mosque Lodgings

The entrance of the religious officers' lodgings, where the activity billboard of the Münchberg DİTİB Mimar Sinan Mosque is located, was destroyed by unidentified persons.





03.01.2020 CZECHIA Brno Attacks on Czech Mosque

"If you continue to spread Islam in Czechia, we will kill all of you" was written on the wall of the Brno Mosque. There were a number of attacks on the mosque before; pig heads were left at the entrance in 2016, and anti-Islamic demonstrations were held in front of the mosque in the same year.

05.01.2020 The NETHERLANDS Amsterdam

Arson Attempt on High School

An arson attempt was made on Cornelius Haga High School, affiliated with the Islamic Education Foundation (AİEV), in Amsterdam.

05.01.2020 SWITZERLAND Basel

Racist Attack on the Wrong Butcher Shop

A Swiss butcher shop in Basel/Buckten was set on fire because it was thought to be belonging to the President of the International Democratic Union (UID) in Switzerland. The incident was claimed by a statement on the website of a Swiss radical leftist group.

08.01.2020 GERMANY Northeim

Attack on Muslim Cemetery

In a cemetery in the town of Northeim, Lower Saxony, 13 Muslims graves were destroyed. Tombstones were toppled, decorations and plants were torn, and stones with names inscribed on them were broken. The cemetery had also been attacked in 2018, when the tombstones were spray-painted with red swastikas.

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08.01.2020 GERMANY Marl Hate Letter to Hair Salon

In the city of Marl, a handwritten letter was left at the entrance door of a Turkish hair salon. It was signed "Right wing of the N.P.D and A.F.D." at the end of the letter and in the sender section of the envelope. The letter stated that convoy vehicles would be stoned and that feces and butyric acid would be smeared on the walls of the mosque as of January 11, with the inclusion of insults and threats against the Turkish and Muslim community.

09.01.2020 BELGIUM Anvers

Anti-Muslim Assault by Bus Driver

The female, Flemish driver of the bus Latife P. took told her, "If you took off your hijab, you would have heard it". She then got off the bus and physically attacked her. The young woman went to the hospital and filed a battery report.

09.01.2020 GERMANY Offenburg

Vandalism of Turkish Homes

In Schutterwald, Offenburg, the homes of Turkish families were vandalized with spraypaint. In a town where eighty Turkish families live, a red X was painted on the garden gate walls of six Turkish families.

10.01.2020 GERMANY Finnentrop

Masked Attackers Stone Mosque

In Finnentrop, a group of masked attackers attacked the IGMG Finnentrop Mosque and Education Center by throwing stones. The security cameras recorded one masked person watching the surroundings at the time of the attack, while three other masked persons broke the windows and damaged the walls of the mosque, throwing 27 large stones within 22 seconds.

11.01.2020 CANADA Montreal

Anti-Muslim Images

A degrading picture of the Prophet Muhammad was hung at the entrance of Yunus Mosque, where the Turkish religious service officer in Montreal works and the Montreal Turkish Cultural Center is located.



13.01.2020 BELGIUM

Anti-Muslim Hate Speech from the Customs Officer

A customs officer in Belgium shared hateful posts on Islam and Muslims on social media. He was suspended upon complaints.

14.01.2020 NORWAY Oslo

Murder of Young Turkish Man

21-year-old Halil K., a special education teacher in Oslo, Norway, has lost his life after an armed assault in a parking lot. The perpetrators who shot and killed Halil K. also wounded his friend with a knife. After leaving school, a group approached Halil K., who was born and raised in Norway and worked as a teacher, at the exit of the restaurant he went to with his friend. They shot him from behind with a gun. His friend was also wounded with a knife.

14.01.2020 DENMARK Næstved

Racist Harassment in Mall

Mehmet K. who has been living in Næstved, Denmark for 20 years, entered a store at the local mall to buy perfume. The manager of the store approached Mehmet K. while he was browsing the aisles and told him: "You look like a thief, leave the store immediately."

14.01.2020 GERMANY Nuremberg

Attack on Mosque with an Iron Pole

A person attacked the DITIB associate Eyüp Sultan Central Mosque in Nuremberg, Germany with an iron pole. He yelled: "You are American servants. This is the place of demons, you are devils, you pray here."

17.01.2020 BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA Bosanska Dubica Attack on the Historical Mosque

In the attack on the historical "Çarşı Mosque", which was built in the city of Bosanska Dubica in the 17th century and was renovated in 2003 after being destroyed in the war , the mosque's windows were broken and its walls were damaged.

Hitler Beret Fans in Italy

A group of Verona fans who were in Bologna for the Bologna-Hellas Verona match in Italy tried to enter the stadium with berets bearing the Nazi leader Hitler's image. The racist supporters were banned from entering because of their Hitler berets and legal action was taken against them by the local terror and organized crime unit. The Bologna Police Department decided to ban the eight Verona fans, seven men and one woman aged 22-50, from stadiums for two years.

26.01.2020 SWEDEN Gothenburg

Attack Hospital Masjid

The masjid (prayer room) in Mölndal Hospital in Gothenburg, Sweden, was subjected to racist attack for the second time in 7 months. The unidentified person or persons entered the prayer room, tore the pages of the Quran, and wrote anti-Muslim messages as well as insults to the Prophet Muhammed.

27.01.2020 SWITZERLAND Bern

Racist Harassment of the Turkish Restaurant

A series of harassments and an arson attempt were carried out by unidentified people on a Turkish restaurant in the Bern city center. The restaurant's garbage container was damaged. Insulting statements were written about President Recep Tayyip Erdogan on the mailbox of the restaurant, and verbally abusive phone calls were made from an unknown number in the following days. An arson attempt was made on the restaurant on 16.02.2020.

30.01.2020 BULGARIA Shumen Attack on the Cemetery

The stones of the Muslim cemetery in Shumen were broken and 2 suspects, both 15 years old, were taken into custody.







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31.01.2020 BELGIUM Brussels

Disrespect of the Turkish Flag in the European Parliament

At the European Parliament (EP) General Assembly's "Humanitarian State of the Greek Islands" meeting, former member of Greece's extreme right Golden Dawn party and current independent MEP Ioannis Lagos tore the Turkish flag after saying: "There's Turkey on one side able to do whatever it wants. Immigrants flock to our country. This is the Turkish flag, what can be done with it? Tear it up and throw it out. We have to bring this to an end." Lagos was given a warning by the AP chairperson and chastised by both Turkish officials and the Greek Foreign Ministry.

01.02.2020 GERMANY Gelsenkirchen Turkish Couple Battered

A Turkish couple was battered by a group of about 8 drunken assailants who shouted:

"Black-headed foreigners, go home." The victim Tülin Ç, whom the attackers grabbed by her hair and threw to the ground, was treated at the hospital.

02.02.2020 SWITZERLAND Zürich

Attack Due to the Headscarf

At a shopping center, a Swiss woman, aged 60-65, hit Emel Ç. on the head for wearing a headscarf. The police who arrived at the scene told Emel Ç., "Go home and take two painkillers. If you file a complaint, it will cost you dearly."

04.02.2020 GERMANY Bochum

Turkish Family's House Set on Fire

The home of a Turkish family in the city of Bochum was set on fire. The father, who noticed the flames at the last moment, awakened his family and evacuated the house. While no one was killed, the building was badly damaged. The arson was started by setting a seat in front of the house on fire. The car in driveway was also damaged to the point of being unusable.

05.02.2020 GERMANY Cologne

Neo-Nazi Symbols Drawn on Foundation Building

In Cologne, Germany, Neo-Nazi symbols were drawn on a building, some schools and some cars belonging to the Alevi Union Federation Foundation.



Organized Bomb Threat to Mosques

Essen-Stelle Mosque, affiliated to the Religious Affairs Turkish-Islamic Union (DITIB), was evacuated due to a bomb threat. They received an e-mail stating: "We will blow up your mosques," signed Kampfgruppe 18 (War group 18).

Organized Bomb Threat to Mosques

The Hagen-Haspe Mosque, affiliated with DITIB, was evacuated following a bomb threat. They received the same e-mail as the Essen Mosque, stating: "We will blow up your mosques," signed Kampfgruppe 18 (War group 18).



11.02.2020 GERMANY Unna Organized Bomb Threat to Mosques

Unna Mosque, affiliated with DITIB, was also evacuated because of a bomb threat. They received the same e-mail, stating: "We will blow up your mosques," signed Kampfgruppe 18 (War group 18).

12.02.2020 GERMANY Iserlohn Pork Sausage left in Front of Mosque

Pork sausage was left in front of the DITIB Iserlohn Mosque. It was stated that the event was not reported to the police.

12.02.2020 GERMANY Brühl

Attack on Mosque under Construction

The mosque, which was being constructed by the Islamic Community Milli Görüş (IGMG) organization, was attacked in the evening. Property damage occurred during the attack. The assailants fled after throwing pieces of wood they had used to break windows into the construction site.

12.02.2020 SWITZERLAND Thun

Xenophobic Primary School Announcement

Göttibach Primary School, when posting a job notice for teachers, emphasized that 'there are very few foreign students in the school' while listing the opportunities available.

12.02.2020 GERMANY Düsseldorf Racist Message from Car Company

Three Turkish families, planning a trip to Düsseldorf together, arranged for a vehicle from a company in Düsseldorf to transfer them from Düsseldorf Airport to their hotel.

Their reservation was initially accepted, but after informing the company that they were flying in from Turkey and were Turkish citizens it was canceled. The company sent them an e-mail stating: "We do not want anything from you or your country."



12.02.2020 GERMANY Bielefeld Bomb Threat

A threat was sent to the e-mail address of the DITIB Bielefeld Central Mosque. Police searched the mosque with bomb sniffing dogs and concluded that it was a hoax.

Bomb Threat Before Friday Prayer

A bomb threat was sent by e-mail to Aachen Yunus Emre Mosque, affiliated with DITIB. The e-mail stated, "Today will go down in the history of Germany, because today we will take revenge on the Turkish parasites in Germany, and if you are going to ask how we will do this, our answer will be an explosive. Today (12.02.2020) at 17.00 we will detonate a time-controlled bomb. We hid it in the mosque, we wish you good luck in the search." Police searched the mosque and concluded that it was a hoax.



Bomb Threat Before Friday Prayer

DİTİB Pforzheim Fatih Mosque received a bomb threat. The mosque was evacuated before Friday prayer, and it was concluded after an investigation that the threat was a hoax.

16.02.2020 SWITZERLAND Bern Attack on Turkish Restaurant

The grill in the outdoor area of a Turkish restaurant in Bern was set on fire. The fire brigade was able to extinguish it before it spread to the building.

Hostility to Islam at a Baby Funeral

Rasmus Paludan, the far-right Stram Course Leader, shouted anti-Islamic slogans during a demonstration in front of a mosque during Friday prayers. Despite the baby funeral ceremony that took place in the mosque, Paludan continued his demonstration.

18.02.2020 GERMANY Dresden Anti-Muslim Demonstrations by PEGIDA

PEGIDA, an anti-Muslim organization founded 6 years ago that regularly holds demonstrations every Sunday in Dresden, held its 200th demonstration on the 18th of February, 2020.



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Close-Up Hanau Terrorist Attack

On February 19th, 2020, in the city of Hanau in Hessen, two hookah cafes and buffet were attacked by a far-right terrorist named Tobias R. He shot 52 times in 12 minutes, killing 9 people, 4 of whom were Turkish.

The 43-year-old racist terrorist Tobias R. first shot and killed a man standing in the street in front of the cafe operated by Sedat Gürbüz, before entering, firing four shots, and killing another person. The perpetrators then left, drove two kilometers to another cafe and on the way murdered a third victim. When he arrived at the second cafe, he killed four people waiting outside in front of a buffet which was located in the crime scene. He proceeded to shoot more people inside the cafe, killing one and injuring many more. The perpetrator then went home and killed his 72-year-old bedridden mother before committing suicide.

The victims who lost their lives were between the ages of 20-37 which of 4 were of Turkish background (two were Turkish citizens): Sedat Gürbüz, Gökhan Gültekin, Ferhat Unvar, and Fatih Saraçoğlu. The other five victims were of Bosnian, Afghan, Bulgarian, and Romanian origin, respectively. Their names were : Mercedes Kierpacz, Hamza Kurtoviç, Kaloyan Velkov, Vili Viorel Paun and Said Nesar Hashemi.

Immediately after the attack took place, German news outlets reported that the incident was related to the Russian mafia as well as an isolated incident. Likewise, various speculations were made on social media about the identity of the perpetrator of the attack, Tobias R., to emphasize that the incident was an internal feud. On the 20th of February, 2020, Hessen State Interior Minister Peter Beuth announced to the public that there were serious indications that the attack was committed with a racist motive. A month later in March 2020, an article in a newspaper belonging to German public broadcasters published that, in the concluding report, which was not made public at the time, it was stated Tobias R's actions were racism motivated, but the attacker was not an active follower of far-right ideology.

The report, prepared by the Federal Police Service of Germany (BKA), stated that Tobias R. carried out the action on a racist basis in order to attract society's attention to the conspiracy theories he created. In the expert evaluation in the report, it was concluded that the attacker held a racist view but had no previous history of racist extremism. It was reported that in the 140-page manifest found after the attack, sections relating to racism were added later.



However, these reports were criticized, especially by Turkish NGOs, for blurring the links to far-right extremist organizations and reducing far-right terrorism to individual, "lone-wolf" incidents. BKA President Holger Münch then declared after this report was published that they recognized the shooting was as an extreme right motivated attack and that they accepted it was committed with racist intent.

Indeed, the assailant consciously and systematically chose to target immigrants as his victims, and in the manifest and video recording he left behind made many racist statements. This including stating that forcing immigrants to leave Germany would not be enough, that the populations of Turkey and Israel and the 20 countries between them need to be eradicated.

On the other hand, in the reports of the attack it was also stated that the emergency exit of one of the targeted hookah cafes were sealed by the police to prevent escapes in police raids, so it was impossible to escape at the time of the attack. It is also included the information that it was sealed by the company and therefore escape is not possible at the time of attack. As a matter of fact, in 2020, disproportionate raids of ethnic profiling and strict security measures taken by the police to hookah cafes, which are a frequent destination especially for people of immigrant origin, had caused serious criticism.

In response to this event, flags were lowered at half mast in all public institutions and organizations in Germany on February 20, 2020. The Chancellor of Germany, politicians, cultural figures, and leaders from around the world, including Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, conveyed their condolences to the families of the victims.

Also, at Hanau city center, politicians from Turkey and representatives from the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities organized a walk that 15,000 people participated before attending the mass funeral prayer in the town square. To raise awareness to the racism and anti-Islamic sentiment Turkish citizens living abroad face, the "Enough"/"Es Reicht" campaign was launched on social media. The Turkish Super League also responded to the massacres by displaying banners during football matches.

Despite demands that this attack, like the NSU murders, not be left without an in-depth investigation into organizational links, the police stated that there was no evidence that the perpetrator had informed anyone of the attack or received assistance.





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After receiving a threatening e-mail sent on 19.02.2020 stating that the Fatih Mosque in Bremen would be blown up on the morning of 20.02.2020, police conducted a search of the premise. Security measures for the mosque were increased.

19.02.2020 FRANCE Limoges Turkish Team Labeled Terrorists

On the Score'n'co website, which publishes the French amateur league results, the name of the Limoges Turkish Culture Association's football team was changed to "Limoges Turkish Terrorist Culture Association" by adding the phrase "terrorist". A formal complaint was filed with local authorities regarding the site, where only registered users can make changes.

20.02.2020 GERMANY Cologne

Threat Letter to the Mosque

A threatening letter containing racist statements and anti-Islamic insults was sent to the Cologne Central Mosque.

20.02.2020 GERMANY Emmendingen

Mosque Defaced with Swastika and Racist Slogans

Swastika and far-right slogans were written on the outer walls of the Emmendingen Mosque affiliated with the Turkish Islamic Culture Association (ATİB).

21.02.2020 GERMANY Altena

Dirty Attack on the Mosque

Animal droppings were smeared on the door handles of the DITIB Mevlana Mosque in the city of Altena. The imam of the mosque did not file a criminal complaint on the first day. The next day, when dirt was rubbed on the hood of his car, he filed a criminal complaint and the police launched an investigation.



21.02.2020 GERMANY Döbeln

Arson on Turkish Businesses

At around 03:00 in the city of Döbeln, in the German state of Saxony, a Turkish-owned hookah cafe was attacked. Flammable material set on fire was thrown into the cafe through the windows. No one was killed or injured because the cafe was empty during the incident.

21.02.2020 GERMANY Döbeln

Arson on Turkish Businesses

On the same night in Döbeln, a Turkish restaurant near the hookah cafe was also set on fire. The restaurant was destroyed in the fire.

21.02.2020 GERMANY Menden

Threat Letter to Mosque

A threatening letter containing insults against Islam was sent to the DITIB affiliated Menden Green Mosque.

22.02.2020 GERMANY Essen

Allegation of Police Brutality

A Turkish citizen who was sentenced to "distance from home" due to the problems he had with his wife, kicked the door and broke his key during a moment of tension. According to the testimony of the battered Turkish citizen, the police who came to the building asked him where he was from and when he replied "I'm from Samsun" an officer responded, "that's even worse." After they took him into custody the police officers later said among themselves, "He won't be able to take a beating this bad, he'll die by the morning. We'll report that he threw himself against the wall." After being released the next morning the Turkish citizen filed a complaint against the officers for battery.

22.02.2020 GERMANY Heilbronn Bullet Casings Left in the House of DITIB General Secretary

Bullet casings were found in front of the house of the General Secretary of the Religious Affairs Turkish-Islamic Union in Heilbronn. Hearing a gunshot while coming home, the Secretary General stated that the police did not come after his first call.



22.02.2020 GERMANY Stuttgart

Armed Attack on Cafe

A building in the Hedelfingen district of Stuttgart, which includes a hookah cafe, was shot at. Bullets damaged the cafe but no one was killed.

22.02.2020 AUSTRIA Klagenfurt Notice of Gathering to Expel Foreigners

An announcement was distributed by a group in Carinthia urging residents to unite to expel all foreigners from the state. In the announcement, it was stated that everyone who does not want to allow foreigners to continue living in the state should meet at the specified date and time.

22.02.2020 IRELAND

Muslim Male Passengers Blacklisted From Airline Company

Michael O., Chief Executive Officer of a Irish-based airline company, declared that Muslim men should be blacklisted due to the security threat at airports. He stated: "Who are the bombers? They are going to be single males traveling on their own. If you are traveling with a family of kids, on you go; the chances you are going to blow them all up is zero. You can't say stuff, because it's racism, but it will generally be males of a Muslim persuasion. Thirty years ago it was the Irish. If that is where the threat is coming from, deal with the threat"

23.02.2020 GERMANY Pforzheim

Vandalism of Turkish Residence

A Turkish-owned building mainly occupied by Turkish residents in Pforzheim, Germany was vandalized with paint. On the same day a Nazi March took place in the city, the attacker or attackers threw paint bottles at the 5-story building. Nails were also placed on the wheels of residents' vehicles.



23.02.2020 BULGARIA Sofia European Racists Demonstrate in Sofia

Racist and extreme nationalists staged a demonstration with torches in Sofia. Skinheads and representatives of ultra-nationalist organizations from many countries of Europe made a speech at the podium set up in front of the home of General Lukov, one of Bulgaria's former ministers of national defense. Speakers argued that all nationalists in Europe are now united.




Attack on Sports Club

An unidentified person or persons attacked the building of the Wesel Anadolu Sports Club in Wesel, North Rhine-Westphalia. During the attack, no one was in the building, but the windows were broken with bricks and belongings damaged.

25.02.2020 GERMANY Pforzheim

Bomb Threat to Mosque

Pforzheim Fatih Mosque affiliated with DITIB was evacuated due to a bomb threat sent via e-mail. The threat turned out to be a hoax.

25.02.2020 GERMANY Lübeck

Racism in Clinic

Saliha Ç. and her son Bayram Ç., a German citizen, after waiting in line for a while at a clinic in Lübeck where they had appointments, were told there was a separate waiting area for those who made appointments. While speaking to an orderly about where to go, a German woman waiting in line said to them: "This is Germany, learn to wait in line". This caused an argument and a German doctor quickly left the examination room and pushed Bayram Ç. towards the stairs, and pushed his mother, who tried to intervene, against the wall. While the doctor also injured his eyebrow during the brawl, the family filed a complaint against him. Saliha Ç. also testified that she had heard doctors make negative statements about Turkey during previous visits to the clinic.

27.02.2020 AUSTRIA Mauthausen

Racist Letter Sent to Mosque

A harassing letter was sent to the ATIB Mauthausen Mosque. The letter contained racist statements in German, including: "You are not welcome not only in Mauthausen, but all of Austria! Especially not ATIB Association, funded by your dictator ERDOWAHN

(Wahn = obsession) to spy on Austria and inform Turkey of everything. Most of you foreigners are freeloaders and reluctant to work. I have a good solution for you - gather your belongings and go straight to Turkey and never return!"



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27.02.2020 GERMANY Hanau Insulting Letter to Victims of Hanau Massacre

A racist letter containing insults against Muslims and those who lost their lives in Hanau was sent by mail to the Hanau Mosque affiliated with DITIB.

Police Brutality Allegation

Police came to the home of Ridvan D., who lives in the city of Essen, because of an argument he had with his wife. The police entered by breaking down the door. When Ridvan D. asked why the raid was taking place, the police allegedly responded "Because you did not pay your electricity bill." They began kicking him, broke his nose, subjected him to racist insults, and slammed his son's head against the wall.

27.02.2020 GERMANY Hanau

Swastika Drawn on Doorbell

8 days after the events in Hanau, where 9 people (4 of them Turkish) were killed in a racist terrorist attack, a swastika was drawn on the doorbell of a Turkish family.

28.02.2020 GERMANY Frankfurt

Assault on Turkish Blogger

On a train, a racist hit famous Turkish blogger Zara T. on her head and face with the Bible. During the attack he verbally abused her and screamed: "Here is the Bible. You a Muslim...read it." An investigation was opened and the assailant charged with grievous bodily harm.

29.02.2020 GERMANY Bremen

White Powder Sent to Mosque

A letter containing white powder was sent to the Fatih Mosque in Bremen. Police and firefighters did not allow children and employees who were at the mosque for weekend training to leaving. During the investigations, the suspicious powder was found to be harmless.



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29.02.2020 GERMANY Darmstadt

Attack on Mosque

In the city of Darmstadt, the windows of the mosque affiliated with the Islamic Community Milli Görüş were broken. More material damage occurred inside the mosque.

29.02.2020 AUSTRIA VIENNA Anti-Turkey Declaration

The New Austria Party (NEOS) issued a statement saying President Recep Tayyip Erdogan was personally responsible for sending all refugees to Europe. The NEOS Party also requested financial support from the European Union to secure Austria's border and to take measures against Turkey.

02.03.2020 USA Paterson

Death Threat Sent to Turkish-American Police Chief

A person who sent death threats to the first Turkish-American Police Chief appointed to the city of Paterson in New Jersey (which has the highest Turkish population) was arrested. İbrahim Mike Bayçora, who has been working in Paterson Police Department for 32 years, started to receive threatening messages after he officially took office as "the first Turkish-American and Muslim Police Chief in America" in February.

02.03.2020 GERMANY Karben

Racial Harassment at Mosque

Two people aged 20-25 came to the Karben DİTİB Young Osman Mosque in the evening, scattered garbage in the courtyard, threw garbage from the front of the mosque into the garden, and yelled racial slurs at the youth and the community there. The assailants fled after realizing the police had been called, but one was apprehended, and a toy gun found on his person.

02.03.2020 GERMANY Pforzheim

Threats on Mosque

Two threatening e-mails including insulting statements were sent to the Fatih Mosque affiliated with DITIB.



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03.03.2020 GERMANY Pfaffenhofen Threat Letter on the Mosque Wall

Threatening message targeting Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan were written on the wall of Pfaffenhofen Mosque at around 4 am. The unidentified perpetrator was recorded by the mosque's security camera quickly fleeing after writing the threatening messages in around 1 minute. The incident was reported to the police by the mosque association.





05.03.2020 GERMANY Röthenbach Bullet and Threat Letter Sent to Mosque

A threatening letter with a picture of a pig and a real pistol bullet was sent to the DITIB's Imam-Azam Mosque in Röthenbach in Bavaria. A new threat letter was sent to the mosque's mail address on March 6, 2020, warning that the bullet coming out of the last letter would come out of a gun barrel next time. The woman who sent the threatening letters with bullets, Susanne G., was arrested. It was discovered that the 54-year-old Neo-Nazi, a natural herbal therapist, had previously sent a threatening letter to politicians. A large number of evidences for other crimes was found during the search of her home and her clinic.

06.03.2020 GERMANY Cologne Warning for Turks to Leave Germany

A post sent to the DITIB Central Mosque in Cologne, addressed to people of Turkish origin living in Germany, stated that Turkish people should return to Turkey via Greece and that arms were distributed to send Turkish people back.





Email Threat

Frank Buchter sent the same e-mail to both the Pforzheim DITIB Fatih Mosque Association and Cologne Central Mosque. The e-mail contained the statement: "Germany is distributing arms to neutralize the Turks in the country. Quickly go back through Greece."

06.03.2020 GERMANY Cologne Email Threat

A threatening e-mail sent to the DITIB Foreign Relations Director wrote, "You will not pose a problem for the German Empire anytime soon. Here you automatically declared yourself an official enemy as the spokesperson of the unwanted Muslim population. Soon we will fire a bullet into your brown skull and this way we will cut your ticket to the 72 jurors. We will find your relatives and your parents as well. Rathjen (the perpetrator of the Hanau attack) initiated the purge on the road to the German Empire. Signature: Ists Wolfzeit (Now it's time for the wolf)."

07.03.2020 GERMANY Nuremberg

Disrespect to the NSU's First Victim

The monument in Nuremberg of Enver Şimşek, the first victim of the NSU terrorist organization, who was shot on September 9, 2000 with 8 bullets in Nuremberg where he sold flowers to support his family, was destroyed by unidentified person or persons.

09.03.2020 SWEDEN Uppsala

Death Threats Because of Lesson on Islam

In Uppsala, Sweden, a teacher at a secondary school affiliated with the Municipality of Tierp, taught a single, non-mandatory class on Islam. The parent of a student shared this on social media and the school received death threats as a result. These threats were aimed at the teacher who taught the class and the school principle, and included images of the teacher and of the principle being buried under the picture of a gun on the former threat and their private and confidential information has been taken on the latter one.





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O9.03.2020 SWEDEN Stockholm Arson on Cafe

A long-operating Turkish hamburger cafe in the Rinkeby neighborhood of Stockholm was set on fire in the morning. The suspects broke in through the windows, poured gasoline, and burned the shop.

O9.03.2020 GERMANY Wanzleben Arson on Hotel

A Turkish hotel housing Syrian refugees was set on fire in the city of Wanzleben, in the state of Saxony-Anhalt in eastern Germany. Two refugees were hospitalized due to smoke inhalation. 24 other refugees staying there were able to escape and survived.

10.03.2020 GERMANY Bremen

Bomb Threat to Mosque

The Bremen IGMG Fatih Mosque received a bomb threat via e-mail. The bomb threat was investigated and found to be a hoax.

Bomb Threat to Turkish-German Politician

Derya Türk Nachbaur, a politician from the German Social Democratic Party (SPD), who criticized the European Union and Greece's attitude towards refugees at the border, received an e-mail containing the coordinates of her house. Derya Türk stated that: "the e-mail says 'we will drop bombs on your house with a drone' and includes gross insults. Racists are uncomfortable with my upright stance against them. We will not leave the world to these fascists." Stating that she was not surprised by the threatening e-mail, Türk added: "They drew a swastika on my car two years ago. Now I am more motivated than yesterday. We have to fight against racism together."

13.03.2020 BELGIUM Berchem

Hate Letter to Turkish Family

A letter contains the message, "Dictator Erdogan fans go live in Turkey, stop benefitting from Belgium, and that piece of cloth hung from the window, hypocrites!" was sent to a Turkish family living in Berchem, Belgium.



Threat from PEG to TRT

A threatening letter was sent to the TRT Deutsch office in Berlin. The letter, sent long with a pig's head, contained insults to Islam and President Recep Tayyip Erdogan. It was signed by the racist Prinz Eugen Gruppe (PEG - Prince Eugen Group), named after a special military group among the SS soldiers during the Nazi era.

19.03.2020 GERMANY Pforzheim

Anti-Islamic Hate Letter

A hate letter sent Pforzheim DİTİB Fatih Mosque stated: "To all Muslims. The worst persecution (prosecution) of all time will begin under the dictatorship of Merkel. You will not be able to perform your prayers in congregation, not only on Fridays. What kind of punishment is foreseen for this situation when a non-Muslim gives you such an order? Because of a virus that does not exist?"

20.03.2020 GERMANY Berlin Second Threat from PEG

A second threatening letter was sent to the TRT Deutsch office in Berlin, with the same content, three days after the first and again signed by the racist Prinz Eugen Group.

20.03.2020 GERMANY Buggingen

Anti-Islamic Hate Letter

The same e-mail sent to Pforzheim DİTİB Fatih Mosque on 19.03.2020 was also sent to the DİTİB Buggingen Grand Mosque Association.

28.03.2020 GERMANY Neu Wulmstorf

Covid Contaminated Letter Sent by Nazis to Turkish Family

A letter full of Nazi slogans was sent to a Turkish family in Hamburg. It stated that the author was infected with Covid-19 and that he wanted to reduce the foreign population in Germany by infecting foreigners before he died, as well as slogans frequently used by the Nazis and praises for Adolf Hitler.

28.03.2020 SWITZERLAND Zurich Attack on Disabled Turkish Woman

Naile K. was in her wheelchair in the city center of Zurich-Winterthur when a man (who was presumed to be Swiss) approached her. He spat on her, punched her shoulder, and said, "Get out, people like you, it's all your fault". While trying to topple her wheelchair, the assailant wrapped his hand against Naile K's throat, pressing against her artery. He continued to abuse her for 15 minutes verbally and physically. He also damaged her wheelchair in the process.

02.04.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Spreading Negative Misinformation Against Turkey

A report published by an Austrian newspaper in Salzburg, stated that 20,000 units of masks with the highest filter feature produced by a manufacturer in Turkey were prevented from being sent and that patients in Austria were victimized by President Recep Tayyip Erdogan although the wages were paid and export permits were obtained.

04.04.2020 BELGIUM Brussels - Antwerp

Banners of Terrorist Organization Left at Our Embassies

Banners with the phrase "Murderer AKP" were left in front of the Turkish Embassy in Brussels, Belgium, and on the same day in the same manner at the Antwerp Consulate, in response to death of Group Commentary band member Helin Bolek. The banners were signed by the People's Front, a sub-structure of the DHKP-C terrorist organization.

10.04.2020 GERMANY Hameln

White Powder Sent to the Mosque

A letter containing a white powder was sent to the DITIB's Hameln Mosque. As a result of investigations by the police, it was determined that white powder is not dangerous.

11.04.2020 GERMANY Berlin

Right-wing Attack on the Yunus Emre Institute Director's Vehicle

The director of the Yunus Emre Institute in Berlin, received a threat from far right followers. his vehicle, windows included, was completely scratched up and a threatening letter was left on the wiper.



11.04.2020 AUSTRIA Wels

Insults on Mosque Wall

Insults about the Prophet Muhammad were written on the wall of Wels Mosque, affiliated to the Austrian Turkish-Islamic Union (ATIB).

Hate Speech on Foundation's Door

A death threat, "Die from Covid-19 Arabs," was written on the door of the St. Etienne Turkish Cultural Association.

15.04.2020 GERMANY Frankfurt

Stone Attack on the Café Where the Hanau Massacre Happened

The glass of the hookah cafe, which was subjected to a racist terrorist attack in Hanau, was shattered by anonymous attackers or attackers. The cafe, which had been closed since the attack on February 19, was unoccupied during the attack.

20.04.2020 SWEDEN Linköping, Kisa, Karlskrona, Karlshamn, Hässleholm, Malmö, Motala Nazi Flags on Hitler's Birthday

On April 20, Adolf Hitler's birthday, Nazi flags were unfurled by unidentified people in many cities of Sweden's Blekinge, Skane and Östergötland regions.





Close-Up NSU Murders and Trial Length

The National Socialist Underground (NSU), a neo-Nazi organization, murdered 8 Turkish citizens (Enver Şimsek, Abdurrahim Özüdoğru, Süleyman Taşköprü, Habil Kılıç, Mehmet Turgut, İsmail Yaşar, Mehmet Kubaşık ve Halit Yozgat) as well as one Greek citizen (Theodoros Boulgarides) and one German police officer (Michele Kiesewetter) between 2000-2007 in different German cities. Along with murdering a total of 10 people, the NSU terrorist organization robbed 15 banks and committed two bombings. These bombings, one of which occurred in Keup Street, Cologne (an area with many Turkish establishments), employed nail bombs and severely injured 24 people.

In the period when the murders were committed, the police did not investigate the crimes' (which they dubbed the "Doner/Bosphorous Murders") links to racism despite witness statements and contextual suspicion. Instead they described the murders as being related to a drug-trafficking mafia. During the investigation, the families of the victims and the Turkish community were put under suspicion by the police in a way that can be seen as a reflection of institutional racism and ethnic profiling. The families and acquaintances of the victims were questioned in this manner and followed closely for years.

In November 2011, the far-right NSU terrorist organization was found to be responsible for these attacks, which systemically targeted Turkish citizens, after they sent a racist, animated film mocking the murders named "Paul Panther" to many German nongovernmental organizations, political parties and journalists in which they confessed to the murders and nail bombs.

Following this sensational confession of the organization and its murders and actions, the two perpetrators of the murders (Uwe Mundlos and Uwe Böhnhardt) committed suicide on November 4th, 2011. Beate Zschäpe, the third member of the terrorist organization, set fire to the house where she lived with two other perpetrators before surrendering on November 7, 2011, destroying the evidence found in the house. Despite all these developments, the Federal Ministry of the Interior could accept the murders as "murders with racist motives" only on January 20th, 2012.

The NSU trial lasted for over 5 years and nearly 700 witnesses were heard. The defendants Ralf Wohlleben, André Eminger, Holger Gerlach and Carsten Schultze, who aided and abetted the organization, were tried as well as member Beate Zschäpe.













Errors and omissions in the investigation and prosecution of the NSU case, which involved 59 lawyers as well as 94 of the victims' relatives and victims of the bombings, led public opinion to believe that the case was not handled carefully or fairly. Issues during the investigation included the suspicious and sudden deaths of NSU witnesses, and the destruction of hundreds of files and evidence linked to the NSU by the units of the Federal Office for the Protection of the Constitution, responsible for German internal intelligence. Although employees and informers of the Federal Office for the Protection of the crime scene, they were not made to testify. In addition, information about the murders was not shared with police forces and the Hessen Federal Office for the Protection of the Constitution chose to enact a 120-year secrecy order on certain documents. In particular, the 120-year secrecy order (an unprecedented length) for documents that needed to be examined for clarification of the case has been the subject of much criticism.

Lawyers who followed the case pointed out that the fact NSU members Mundlos, Böhnhardt and Zschäpe were able to commit acts of terrorism for 11 years without being caught indicates that they were protected by intelligence and state institutions.

On July 11th 2018 the court reached a decision with a 3,025 page verdict, which was announced on April 21st 2020. Regarding the verdict, the public and politicians were predominantly united in the understanding that the scope of the NSU organization, its local and national connections, and the responsibility and institutional racism of the German intelligence units were not adequately investigated. By the end of the trial:

- The court sentenced Ralf Wohlleben, who was found guilty of aiding and abetting the NSU terrorist organization and supplying the CZ 83 gun used to commit the murders, to ten years (against the attorney general's recommendation of 12 years) in prison. Wohlleben, who had been under arrest for 7 years, was released on probation after completing only two-thirds of his sentence.
- While the attorney general's office demanded a 10-year prison sentence for André Eminger, one of the other defendants, for providing logistical support to terrorists including housing and transport to the crime scenes, the court sentenced him to 2.5 years in prison for aiding and abetting a terror organization. After the verdict, Eminger was released amid the cheers and applause from the Neo-Nazis in the courtroom.
- Holger Gerlach was sentenced to 3 years in prison for 3 counts of aiding and abetting a terror organization. He was released because of having completed his sentence.

- Carsten Schultze, the only defendant who confessed his guilt during the trial, was sentenced to only 3 years in juvenile detention for aiding and abetting 9 murders under the youth laws due to his age at the time of the crime. He was also released because of having completed his sentence.
- The court found the chief defendant Beate Zschäpe guilty of 10 murders, membership of a terror organization, bombing, armed robbery, attempted murder of 32 people through the bombing, serious injuries and severe arson. She was sentenced to life imprisonment. She is the only defendant still in prison. However, defendants who receive life sentences in Germany can request conditional release after 15 to 20 years due to good behavior, old age or illness if they do not pose a danger to the society.

Members of the NSU terrorist organization called themselves "Comrades Union" (Netzwerk von Cameraden) in the confessed Paul Panther video, and clues were obtained that about 200 people directly or indirectly aided the NSU during the investigation phase and therefore it was a cooperation network. Accordingly, it was revealed that there were 40 informants from German intelligence around the NSU terrorists. However, despite all this information, the Court concluded in its decision that the NSU was an isolated organization of three, with two members dead, only one member alive.

Experts and lawyers working on the far-right organizations stated that the terrorist organization was not revealed in all its dimensions, and that serial murders committed were condoned, not taking the necessary precautions despite the fact that the relevant units of the state have been informed about the existence of the NSU organization, its racist crimes, murder plans and their whereabouts since the 1990s. They stated that the murders were shown as a mafia reckoning in Turkish society and that the relevant units of the state, whose perpetrators did not do any arrests in this process, were also responsible for these murders.

Although the statement of the lead defendant Zschäpe was that she was later informed of each of the murders, that she did not contribute to the murders and that she was even shocked when she heard about the murders was not found credible by the court, the lawyers of the chief defendant presented their reasons for their appeal to the higher court on 25 May 2020. In February 2012, when Chancellor Merkel promised to "enlighten the NSU murders, expose accomplices and instigators, and ensure that all criminals get the punishment they deserve", the decision of the court of appeal is now awaited for the chief defendant Zschäpe and the freed confessor Schultze, whom the prosecution has appealed.







11th of July 2018, Chief Defendant Beate Zschäpe and her Lawyers



Anti-Islamic Inscriptions on the Minaret

Two days before the beginning of Ramadan, on Wednesday, 22 April, "Lyon, Strasbourg, Marseille, Germany, Spain. Stop! The muezzin's song (Adhan) will not be echoed in Europe." was written on the minaret of the Lyon Grand Mosque.

23.04.2020 The NETHERLANDS Schiedam Racist Marking on Muslims' Houses

In the evening, the same symbol was painted on the front of the doors of about 15 homes belonging to Turkish and Moroccan families. The police launched an investigation into the action carried out solely against Muslim families. The symbol, which resembles the "peace" sign drawn in reverse, is similar to the symbol of the far-right Flemish nationalist organization "Voorpost", which is based in Belgium and active in the Netherlands. This organization had posted anti-Islamic posters at the entrances of some Muslim schools in Rotterdam and Schiedam in the past.

28.04.2020 GERMANY Oberndorf

Eggs Thrown at Mosque

Unidentified people threw two eggs at the wall of a mosque affiliated with a Turkish foundation. The police arrived at the scene 2 days later to investigate the incident.

01.05.2020 GERMANY Gelsenkirchen

Hate Statements on Mosque Wall

At around 01:30 am, the words "Get out - From Chaos to Order" were written on the wall of IGMG Tuğra Mosque. In the footage, it was seen that one of the two assailants was observing the surroundings, while the other was writing on the wall.







01.05.2020 GERMANY Gelsenkirchen



03.05.2020 GERMANY Hannover Neonazi Questionnaire in Mailboxes of Immigrant Families

A threatening questionnaire was left by neo-Nazis in the mailboxes of immigrant families in Hannover (some of whom were Turkish). "What method would you like to be destroyed by: • Zyklon B poisoning (cyanide-based poisonous chemical used in Nazi concentration camps) • Carbon monoxide poisoning • Physical torture • Death by burning • Shot by the National Socialist method?" was written in the questionnaire, along with the Hitler salute.



03.05.2020 GERMANY Hannover



06.05.2020 The NETHERLANDS 's-Gravendeel

Threatening Racist Letter to Real Estate Agent

One person who sent a letter to the real estate agent claiming that he wrote on behalf of the neighborhood committee stated that he saw the real estate agent show two dark-skinned people around the house and that they would not welcome foreigners, people of different skin colors and asocials as residents. In the letter sent to the real estate agent, who is also of Portuguese origin, he said, "I hope you understand and take this into account. We were very happy with the departure of the Portuguese in the neighborhood." statements were also included.

08.05.2020 DENMARK Copenhagen

Islamic Center Completely Burned

The building, which includes the Dansk İslamisk Center (Danish Islamic Center) and the mosque belonging to the center, is completely burned in the Neurrebro district of the capital city of Copenhagen. While there was no loss of life in the fire, great damage occurred.



09.05.2020 GERMANY Chorweiler Stones Thrown at Mosque

Unidentified people threw stones at the Cologne Chorweiler Mosque, affiliated to DITIB. Property damage occurred in the building.





09.05.2020 GERMANY Cologne Attack on Solidarity Center

The Social Solidarity Center affiliated to DITIB, which has its headquarters in Cologne, was attacked with stones at night. Light material damage occurred at the center, which provides funeral transportation and burial, and contains a bookstore as well as travel and insurance services.



12.05.2020 GERMANY Düren

Molotov Attack

In the morning, a Molotov cocktail was thrown at the Birkesdorf branch of the German Turkish Federation in Düren, Germany. Property damage occurred in the association building.

12.05.2020 FRANCE

An Anti-Islam Assessment by the Doctor About the Outbreak

Discussing the new coronavirus (Covid-19) epidemic on a news channel, a French doctor claimed that "spitting is a Ramadan worship" when asked a question by the presenter.

12.05.2020 GERMANY Frankfurt

Racist Harassment of Turkish Politicians

The local politician, who is a member of one of Frankfurt's Neighborhood Councils and holds dual citizenship, has been subjected to racist harassment since 2016. The harassment intensified after the Turkish citizen politician's statements about the racist attacks in Hanau. Various Nazi symbols were placed in his mailbox and harassment calls made to his home at night. His house was also marked with paint.

13.05.2020 USA Scottsdale

Professor Labels Islam Terrorism

In the online course titled World Politics at Scottsdale College, Arizona, lecturer asked questions like "How is terrorism promoted in Islamic law and doctrine? Who are Islamic terrorists trying to imitate? " The school administration issued a letter of apology addressing the Muslim students on the social media account, saying, "It is wrong, inappropriate and does not reflect the inclusiveness of our school." The head of the Maricopa District Community Colleges Office also stated that the Scottsdale College administration acted too hasty to apologize and said, "I apologize for the fact that our professor's rights to academic freedom are not properly addressed."



13.05.2020 GERMANY Munich Arson on Vehicles Belonging to Immigrants

In the Moosach district of Munich, 4 vehicles belonging to people who were Turkish, Chinese, Iranian, Bosnian and Greek were set on fire.

14.05.2020 AUSTRIA Graz Turkophobia in Primary School Class

Social studies teacher "Verena Jurtschitsch" in Graz at "Victor Kaplan Elementary School" sent a reading text titled "Three Catastrophes" from the virtual environment to the students who are continuing their education within the scope of distance education classes due to Covid-19. It was mentioned that the city of Graz suffered three disasters at the same time and that these were the plague epidemic, the locust invasion and the Ottoman invasion, within this framework the fallowing statements were made "before the locusts were fully withdrawn, another terrible enemy came: the Ottomans. Maybe you know them under the name "Turk". They were wild people riding horses and they came from the east (Asia). The Ottomans destroyed cities, burned farms, killed men, women and children...".

15.05.2020 GREECE Komotini

Attack on Charity Fountain

In Komotini a charity fountains Turkish plate was smashed into pieces and spray-painted with slogans against Turkey.

15.05.2020 GERMANY Essen Racist Pictures Affixed to Mosque

Anti-Islamic and racist pictures were hung on the door of the DİTİB Ulu mosque in Essen.

16.05.2020 GERMANY Vaihingen Ez Pig Head Hung on Mosque Door

In the town of Vaihingen Enz near the city of Stuttgart, two people hung pig heads at the door of the Fatih Mosque, affiliated with DITIB, at around 23:30.



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Anti-Islamic Posters Hung on Mosque Door

Anti-Islamic posters were affixed to the door of the DITIB Grand Mosque in Essen. Anti-Islam pictures were posted at the same mosque on 15.05.2020.

22.05.2020 AUSTRALIA Greenacre Vehicle Attack on Muslims

While cruising in traffic, a vehicle in Greenacre, Australia, first hit a car and then dived into a clothing store called 'Hijab House', which sells clothes for Muslims. 11 people were injured. The police stated that, "It looks like it was deliberate."

An Anti-Islam Letter to the Mosque

An anti-Islamic and insulting letter was sent to the DİTİB Fatih Mosque. This event was the second time the mosque was harassed in the same week. A pig head was hung on the door of the mosque on 16.05.2020.

24.05.2020 GERMANY Munich Threat Letter from PEG to the Mosque

On the first day of the Ramadan Holiday, a threatening letter signed by "PEG", which is the abbreviation of the far-right organization Prinz Eugen Gruppe (Prince Eugen Group), was sent by mail to the Munich Central Mosque affiliated with DITIB. It contained serious insults against Islam and Islamic values.

24.05.2020 GERMANY Goslar

Far Right Party Targets Mosque

The far-right German National Democratic Party (NPD) shared a photo of the IGMGaffiliated Goslar Mosque on the Goslar Facebook account and made racist comments. In one of the comments, there were threatening messages stating, "The rocket launcher was deployed towards the mosque".

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24.05.2020 GERMANY Duisburg Threat Letter to the Mosque

A letter was sent to Duisburg Hochfeld Muradiye Mosque, which is affiliated with DITIB, with statements containing insults against Islam and Muslims. Thirty letters of the same content were sent to the mosque by mail from Munich on September 13, 2019 and then on 09.11.2020.





25.05.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna Member of Parliament Criticizes "Legitimation of Ramadan"

The far-right Austrian Freedom Party (FPÖ) MP Dominik Nepp criticized Prime Minister Sebastian Kurz for posting a Ramadan Eid message on his social media account. In his criticism he said, "He forbade us to celebrate Easter, but Kurz legitimized it by celebrating Ramadan. Austria is a Christian country with western values. Islamization should be prevented in all areas."

26.05.2020 GERMANY Duisburg

Threat Letter to the Mosque

On the third day of the Eid al-Fitr, a threatening letter was sent to Duisburg Central Mosque affiliated to DITIB by mail, containing serious insulting statements against the religion and values of Islam.

26.05.2020 LITHUANIA Kaunas Beating a Turkish Citizen

A Turkish citizen was battered by an alcoholic Lithuanian in the parking lot in Kaunas and his car was damaged. A lawsuit was filed against the assailant, demanding a prison sentence of up to 2 years for violating public order and insulting national identity.

Hate Speech from MP

In his Facebook message in April, Prague Deputy of the Assembly of Representatives Karla Marikova, who described Muslim immigrants as an "invasive species," said:

"Muslims should be prevented from coming to the EU, whose unforeseen spread means the gradual displacement of European residents." The demand of Marikova to abolish her criminal immunity due to her hate speech towards Muslims was put to the vote in the Prague House of Representatives on Wednesday, May 27, and was rejected by 137 votes against 6.



29.05.2020 GERMANY Hessen Mosques Attack Threat

While security measures were increased in mosques in the state of Hessen due to the notification of attacks on mosques in Germany, the city of Wiesbaden police spokesperson said that an intangible and non-specific report was made across the country on Friday morning.

29.05.2020 GERMANY Leonberg Racist Letter to the Mosque

A racist letter was sent to the DITIB Leonberg Mosque.

30.05.2020 GERMANY Ludwigsburg

Threats to Turkish NGOs and Municipal Assembly Members

A threat letter was left in the mailbox of the home of the Turkish city councilor in Ludwigsburg. In the German letter, which was left folded without an envelope, the first letters and surnames of the representatives of a total of 6 Turkish NGOs, along with the expressions "You are viruses, not Covid, all viruses will be destroyed" and the swastika, as well as the numbers 18 representing the first letters of Adolf Hitler, 88 representing "Heil Hitler" were written.

30.05.2020 DENMARK Randers

Anti-Adhan Inscriptions

The word "Stop Adhan in Denmark" was hung on the door of the mosque affiliated to the Danish Turkish Religious Foundation in Randers, Denmark. The perpetrators have not been caught yet.

31.05.2020 SOUTH CYPRUS GRAND SECTION Limassol Molotov Cocktail to the Mosque

3 Molotov cocktails were thrown by unidentified people at Köprülü Hacı İbrahim Ağa Mosque, which is located in Limassol and is affiliated with the TRNC Religious Affairs Directorate. Expressions of immigrants and anti-Islamism were also sprayed on the mosque wall.







31.05.2020 SOUTH CYPRUS GRAND SECTION Limassol Anadolu Agency



Greek Flag on Mosque Minaret

The Greek flag was hung on the minaret of the historical Çelebi Mehmet Mosque, which is closed to worship in the city of Dimetoka, on the border of Edirne in Greece. The flag was lowered by the municipality after it was noticed.

02.06.2020 SWEDEN Stockholm

Parked Vehicles Arson

Some vehicles in the car park next to Fittja Grand Mosque in Stockholm, the capital of Sweden, were set on fire at midnight.

02.06.2020 GERMANY Herne Racially Motivated Police Brutality

Police officers, who went to the Turkish family's house with the complaint of domestic violence, battered the family members and intervened the old woman with tear gas. A racism investigation was launched against the police officers who used violence against the family.

07.06.2020 SOUTH CYPRUS GREEK GOVERNMENT LARNAKA

Provocation to the Mosque

In the incident that took place in Hamit Bey Street in Larnaka, provocations were carried out by unidentified people. The Byzantine flag was hung on the mosque, known in the region as Tuzla Mosque.

08.06.2020 GERMANY Herford

Harassment of Turkish Bus Driver

Özkan Ayaz, a Turkish bus driver working in Herford, was verbally attacked by a racist passenger for his immigrant background.

09.06.2020 FRANCE Paris

Verbal Attack on Journalist

The Paris correspondent for Turkish press was verbally attacked by a French woman for speaking Turkish before the live broadcast. She said, "This is France, you can't speak any other language. We don't want you, etc."



14.06.2020 GERMANY Cologne

Racism on Tram

Özgür D. intervened after a passenger on the tram made racist statements to a female passenger who spoke Arabic on her cell phone. In the brawl that broke out, Özgür D. was beaten in the head and had to be kept under observation at the hospital.

14.06.2020 GERMANY Nürnberg

Attack on Student Wearing Headscarf

Z. G., a Turkish citizen and 23-year-old university student in Nuremberg, was physically assaulted for wearing a headscarf. A woman pulled Z. G.'s headscarf off and said, "We do not want Muslims in Germany." She was also violent towards Z. G.'s friends who videotaped the incident and reported it to the police.

16.06.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Insulting the Quran

At a rally held by the Austrian Freedom Party (FPÖ) in Vienna and attended by 2,500 people, Party President Norbert Hofer said in his speech, "Coronavirus is not dangerous, the Quran is dangerous." After this statement the SÖZ Party, which was founded by people of Turkish origin in Vienna, sued Norbet Hofer for provoking people.

18.06.2020 UNITED KINGDOM Sommerset

Attack on the Mosque

In Somerset, in the southwest of the United Kingdom, a cross was drawn by unidentified people in the morning on the wall of the Somerset Mimar Sinan Mosque, associated with the Religious Foundation.

18.06.2020 FRANCE Paris

Live Hate Speech

An anti-immigrant journalist, who took part in a live broadcast on June 18th, 2020 regarding the violent incidents that had taken place in Dijon, France since June 12, 2020, said, "The Koran and Kalashnikaof are together in the suburbs of France" and linked all Muslims in the country with terrorism. The journalist also likened the Muslims involved in demonstrations to "slaves led by drug lords".


18.06.2020 Austria Vienna Hate Messages to ATİB

"The Qur'an is more dangerous than the Corona." After the press statement made by the ATİB Headquarters against the discourse, two separate hateful e-mails were sent, one of which was signed with the name Österreichische Leonidase.

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Donnerstag, 18. Juni 2020 12:31 ATIB Office Verteiler Der Hofer wars…z… dümlliche Türken Phagzyten!

Was ist los mit euch Erdogan Faschisten? Ihr ungebildeten Dummköpfe lebt gerne in Österreich, könnt euch nicht anpassen und eure fetten kopftuchtragenden KartoffelsackWeiber beleidigen das Auge! Unerträgliches Gesöcks!

Und lasst eure anal`aphetischen hässlichen Kinder Kriegspiel mit Kopfabschneiden in den Moscheen spielen... unerträgliches Dreckspack!

Man sollte die Armenienmassnemörder in der Türkei in die Steinzeit zurück bomben, aber ist eh egal ihr Steinzeitmneschen... irgendwann wird so ein Corona Virus euch dahin raffen, da ihr schon physiognomisch dafür anfälig seid.. hässliche türkische Fratzn welche unser schönes Österreich zerstören!

Grauslich!!! geht zurück in eure muslimischen unterentwickelten Stammländer!!!



Von: Gesendet: An: Betreff: Donnerstag, 18. Juni 2020 15:18 ATIB Office Verteiler Hofers Vergleich Koran-Corona

An die Muselmanen des unnötigen Vereins Atib!

Wir beziehen uns an Hofers Vergleich bezüglich Koran-Corona und sagen euch deutlich folgendes:

Der Koran ist ein gefährliches Buch in dem Gewaltaufrufe gegen Ungläubige, Juden, Homosexuelle etc. zu finden sind. Solche primitive Gewaltideologie braucht kein Land der Erde.

Islam-Invasoren Österreich und Europa ist nicht eure Heimat. Schleicht euch nach Istanbul, Mekka oder Medina!

Islam raus aus Österreich - schnell und für immer.

Islam go home!

Österreichische Leonidase

18.06.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna



19.06.2020 GERMANY Wittenberg

Insulting Letter to Mosque

An anonymous and insulting letter was sent to the DİTİB Mosque in the city of Wittenberg.

💼 20.06.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Anti-Turkish Hate Letter

An anti-Turkish hate letter was sent to ATİB Headquarters.

4 x Türken - terror STOP STOP AB IN DIE TURKEI 200 ANZEIGEN ! GEFANGNIS IERB. FLAGGEN, GRUSS, ZERSTÜRUNGEN WO 1 METER ABSTAND 2 COVID ! HEBEIN BEI ALLEN DEMUS! FRANEH MORDE ! AUTO RENNEN FRVORITEN = OSTANATOLIEN = 3. BELAGERUNG KRIEGSSPIELE IN SCHULEN, MOSCHEI KEIH DEUTSCH SPRECHEN BETEN AUF GEH STEIGEN ILLEGALE MOSCHEN ----WIEN - WAHL - No / PAFUR WO SOBIESKI - DENKMAL 22



21.06.2020 GERMANY Kassel

Taxi Driver Attacked with Knife

A Turkish taxi driver was attacked with a knife in the city of Kassel. The attacker, who refused to pay the full amount, insulted the taxi driver with racial slurs before stabbing him in the neck. The taxi driver's wound was 1.5 centimeters deep and 5 centimeters wide.

22.06.2020 GERMANY Herne

Harassment of Business

Anonymous people left notes that wrote, "Turks out (Türken raus)" and "Islam out (Islam raus)" in front of the doner shop of Mükerrem D., who lives in Herne. It was discovered that this case, which has been going on for two years, has become more frequent in recent weeks.

26.06.2020 GERMANY Cologne

Threat Letter to Mosque

A threatening letter containing insulting and racist statements against Islam was sent to the Cologne DITIB Central Mosque.

26.06.2020 GERMANY Cologne

German Flag Planted in Turkish Woman's Garden

In Cologne, racists broke the door lock of a hobby garden belonging to a Turkish citizen named Hatice S. (53) and planted a German flag in the garden.

26.06.2020 GERMANY Lügde

Stone Thrown at Mosque

The windows of the DİTİB Ashab-ı Kehf Mosque in the city of Lügde were broken with stones.

30.06.2020 AUSTRIA Salzburg

Attack on Turkish Doctor's House

An insulting note was left on the door of the apartment of one of the few Turkish doctors operating in Salzburg. The apartment was both his practice and home. A week after the note was reported to the police, this time tomato paste was thrown on the exterior of the building, on to the floor in which the doctor's apartment is located.



01.07.2020 SWITZERLAND Bern Threat to Religious Foundation

An anonymous, threatening letter was sent to the Swiss Turkish Religious Foundation's (İTDV) headquarters in Zurich, stating "Your brothers will be shot in the name of God, but not in four days" and "Go to Hell".

03.07.2020 GERMANY Herford

Call to Prayer Protest Allowed Due to Corona

During the coronavirus epidemic in Herford, Germany, a person who protested the call to prayer for the Friday prayer by playing a pot was arrested. It was announced that the protester, who also sent threatening messages to the Mayor of Herford due to being allowed the call to prayer publicly in March, was arrested for "humiliating the freedom of belief of individuals."

04.07.2020 GERMANY Herten

Swastika on the Mosque Wall

The swastika was drawn on the walls of the Herten Westerholt Mosque affiliated to DITIB, saying, "I would prefer to be a Nazi rather than a Muslim".

07.07.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Poster with PKK and Istanbul Messages from the Far Right

"Send the PKK, smash the EKH - Vienna is not Istanbul." The written poster was hung on the frontage of the EKH building, named after Ernst Kirchweger, who was famous for his anti-fascist and anti-communism attitude in the history of Austria, is the center where meetings are held by leftist groups.

08.07.2020 UNITED KINGDOM London

Racist Articles on the Turkish Family's Home

"Return to Turkey, a British family needs a home." was written on the wall of a Turkish families' house in London's Hackney area



10.07.2020 GERMANY Wuppertal Arson on Vehicles

Four Turkish cars were attacked in the German City of Wuppertal. Swastika was drawn on cars at night. Property damage amounting to approximately 10,000 euros occurred on the vehicles of Turkish families. One of the vehicles was attacked in the same way a month ago.

11.07.2020 GERMANY Hannover

Arson Threats to Turkish Tradesmen

Racist letters containing threats and insults were sent by unidentified persons to Turkish business owners in Hannover, Lower Saxony, Germany. The letters were signed "Germans" (Die Deutschen) and included threats of arson on mosques and threats to turn the Steinort region, where Turkish businessmen are concentrated, into a war zone. The letters contained racist threats such as "We will kill you," "We will destroy you," "You do not belong here," and "We are watching you," which worried the Turkish businessmen.

13.07.2020 GERMANY Berlin

Arson in Building with Immigrants

Eight cars in the parking lot of a building in the district of Neukölln, where many immigrants live, were set on fire. The building caught on fire was evacuated. Some tenants had to receive outpatient treatment for smoke inhalation. More than 50 firefighters participated in putting out the fire. Three flats became unusable after the fire spread to the building. Shortly after this fire, another vehicle was set on fire in the district's Karl-Marx Street.

14.07.2020 GREECE Trikala

Attack on Historical Mosque

In Greece, the historical Kurşunlu Mosque in the city of Trikala was attacked with stones. Its windows were broken.



14.07.2020 GERMANY Berlin

NSU Terrorist Organization Threat Against Turkish Artist Whose Personal Information Was Taken From Hessen Police Records

In Berlin, threatening e-mails signed "NSU 2.0" were sent to the cabaret artist İdil Baydar (who goes by the name Jilet Ayşe). The discovery that Baydar's personal information was taken from the computer records of the Hessen State Police Department strengthened the suspicions that the Hessen police could be collaborating with far-right structures. Similarly, at the beginning of July, Janine Wissler, leader of the Left Party and the member of the Landtag of Hesse, and Seda Başay Yıldız, a lawyer from Frankfurt in 2018, received similar threatening e-mails and it was revealed that their personal information was scanned via Hessen police computers before the letters were sent. It came out that for two years a total of 99 threatening letters signed by NSU 2.0 were sent to deemed immigrants and state members of parliament in Germany, and that their personal information was taken from computers belonging to the Berlin and Hamburg law enforcement agencies.

15.07.2020 GERMANY Kempten

Anti-Islam Attack on Turkish Women

Two Turkish women were attacked in the parking lot of the supermarket in Kempten. M.A. (23), B.Ç. (26) and her 2 and a half-year-old son were approached while they were loading their shopping bags into the trunk of the car. The person first verbally and then physically assaulted them. After insulting the Prophet Muhammad, he physically attacked M.A. and pulled her hijab off. "I am Catholic and this is the Christian world," said the attacker who continued his insults while B.Ç shouted for help. Seeing the people around him coming, the attacker got into his car and left. The victims managed to take a photo of the vehicle. M.A., who was wearing a headscarf and was physically assaulted, was diagnosed with neck trauma in the hospital where she was taken after the assault.

16.07.2020 DENMARK

Criminal Complaint Against Danish Politicians Declaring Islam as Enemy

Politicians Morten Messerschmidt (Danish People's Party-DF) and Pernille Vermund (New Right-NB) described Islam as the worst enemy of Denmark and the West in their statement. The Danish Islamic Society filed a criminal complaint against politicians for their anti-Islamic statements.



17.07.2020 GERMANY Cologne Threat Letter to Mosque Signed by Nazi Commander

A threatening letter signed on behalf of Heinrich Himmler, the Commander-in-Chief of the Nazi SS Units, was sent to the DITIB Cologne Central Mosque.

19.07.2020 GERMANY Hessen Threats Signed by "NSU 2.0"

One of the threat e-mails signed "NSU 2.0" was sent to Mehmet Daimagüler, one of the lawyers involved in the NSU case.

20.07.2020 GERMANY Berlin

Threat Letter to Mosque

A threatening letter including insults was sent to the Berlin Martyrs' Mosque, affiliated with DITIB.

20.07.2020 GERMANY Kehl

Racist Attacks on Three Turkish Women

Three Turkish women who went to a barbecue at the sand pit pond in Kork (village in Kehl, Baden-Württemberg province) were attacked by racists. Ceylan B., her two children and two female friends Seher E. and Necmiye D. were verbally abused by a German man and his wife. Later, the male attacker, who increased his harassment, hit and punched the women with his motorcycle helmet. The women, who survived with the help of foreign young people and had bruises on their bodies, complained to the police.

22.07.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Racist Hate Speech in Traffic

An Austrian with a motorcycle approached Sedat S. at a gas station and made racist and hateful remarks about Turkey and Turks. After this verbal harassment Sedat S. was stopped by traffic police. According to his statements, Sedat S. was fined heavily and his complaints to the police were ignored with answers such as, "I do not understand your German, learn how to speak the language."



23.07.2020 GERMANY Hannover

Threat to Mayor and his Family

Belit Onay, who was elected the mayor of the German city of Hannover a year ago, stated that he had been receiving threats since he took office. One of these threats was a racist letter of threat signed NSU 2.0. It included a death threat to Mayor Onay and his family and with the phrase "Long live Hitler".

25.07.2020 GREECE Athens - Thessaloniki Burning of the Turkish Flag

The Turkish flag was set of fire in Athens and Thessaloniki to protest the holding of Friday prayers in the Hagia Sophia Mosque.

26.07.2020 GERMANY Lügde

Stone Thown at Mosque Again

Lügde Ashab-ı Kehf Mosque, affiliated with DİTİB, was attacked with stones for the second time in a month. Property damage occurred in the windows of the mosque.

27.07.2020 The NETHERLANDS Zwolle

Attack on Foundation

Cross signs were drawn at night on the exterior of the Alevi Cultural Center Foundation in Zwolle, the Netherlands.

29.07.2020 GERMANY Berlin

Blackmail with Bomb

A letter containing insults and threats was left in the mailbox of the DİTİB Şehitlik Mosque. In the letter titled "This is a serious bomb threat" there were hateful statements about Muslims, Turks and Syrians. It said that if 3 million Euros are were not sent to the specified address until 29 August 2020, a far-right organization named "TAM" (Tod allen Muslimen) would be sent to the mosque during the Friday prayer. They threatened to launch a bomb attack.



29.07.2020 NORTH MACEDONIA Skopje

Graffiti on Historical Mosques

"Hagia Sophia is a church and will remain so" was written in Macedonian with spray paint on the walls of the historical İshak Çelebi Mosque and Haydar Kadı Mosque, which were restored by TİKA and the T.R. Directorate General of Foundations.

O1.08.2020 UNITED KINGDOM Pourstmouth Attack on the Turkish Association and its Masjid

In the port city of Pourstmouth in the south of the United Kingdom, a Turkish association and its mosque were attacked on the second day of Eid al-Adha. The attacker(s) damaged the Quran and the building by entering through the emergency exit door when no one was around. After the president of the association noticed the incident and informed the police the attacker was caught at the scene.

03.08.2020 GERMANY Heidelberg

Threat to Turkish Lawyer

A threatening letter and an envelope containing white powder were sent to the office of a Turkish lawyer practicing in Germany. The lawyer had defended a 16-year-old Muslim student who had applied for an internship at a company in Hamburg but was subjected to insults for wearing a headscarf. The lawyer was successful and the company paid compensation to the young girl, while the discriminatory manager was dismissed at the end of the lawsuit. The threatened lawyer also served as an attorney for the family of the student who was punished by his teacher for speaking Turkish at a school in the state of Baden-Württemberg. As the punishment in question started the debate on the "Turkish ban in the school yard," matter, the teacher who enforced the punishment was put under investigation.

04.08.2020 GREECE Tirhala Second Attack on Historical Mosque

A group attacked the Kurşunlu Mosque in the Greek city of Tirhala with stones. The historical mosque was attacked by unidentified people 3 weeks ago and its windows were broken.



O5.08.2020 GERMANY Wahlen Arson Threat on Mosques in Hessen

A letter signed "NSE 2020" containing insults and threats was sent to some Turkish citizens as well as the Odenwald Fatih Mosque and Michelbach Mosque in the state of Hessen, affiliated with DITIB.

A young man walking behind Vildan Ç. (a Turkish woman) at the city center, yelled racial slurs at her for wearing a headscarf and attempted to physically attack her. Vildan Ç. was able to run away.

06.08.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Exposure of Immigrant Students on Social Media by Their Primary School Teachers

A primary school teacher in Vienna shared a list of names and social security information of the first grade students he would be teaching as of September 2020 on social media. Along with the list the teacher also shared a video announcing his discomfort at the fact that most of the students in his class would be of immigrant background.

08.08.2020 GERMANY Mülheim an der Ruhr Alleged Assault Due To Faulty Parking

Four members of a Turkish family (mother, father and two children) stated that they were subjected to disproportionate violence during an argument with the police because of the faulty park. The family stated that two boys aged 17 and 22 were provoked with harsh words, 6-7 police vehicles and 20-30 police officers arrived at the scene after the children responded, and the police battered them as a result of an argument.

08.08.2020 GERMANY Hamburg

Arson in and around Mosque

The Grand Mosque affiliated to the Union of Islamic Cultural Centers (VIKZ) in the Altona district of Hamburg city was set on fire along with the 6 other buildings in the vicinity. The fire caused moderate damage to the mosque.

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10.08.2020 GERMANY Velbert

Racist Attack on Nurse

Ayşe A. (40), mother of three children, who was a nurse in the city of Velbert, was racially attacked while she was taking care of her patient, an elderly German woman in a wheelchair. Ayşe A. stated that, "First, a woman shouted insults at me, then hit my patient with her elbow. She ran away when I told her I was going to call the police. At that moment I was attacked by a German man on a bicycle. The man on the bicycle who was passing by shouted at me, "I'm going to kill you, dirty Turk." Then he started hitting me. He pushed me and I fell to the ground. He pulled my headscarf off. He hit me with his bike. I tried to prevent him from running away and the police came." She also said that the people around only watched the event and didn't intervene. Following this event Ayşe A. initiated a legal action.

13.08.2020 GERMANY Duisburg

Threat Letter in Envelope to Mosque

A threatening letter was sent to the DITIB Muradiye Mosque in Duisburg. The letter was left in the mailbox of the mosque and, under the direction of the Duisburg Police Department, was not opened in the hopes of find fingerprints. The mosque administration stated that this letter was sent by the far-right "Prince Eugen Group" just like the two previous threat letters.

17.08.2020 GERMANY Hamburg

Racist Threat Letter to Mosque

A racist and anti-Islam threat letter signed "ANTIFA" was sent by mail to the DİTİB Mehmet Akif Ersoy Mosque in Harburg district of Hamburg.

21.08.2020 ESTONIA Tallin

Attack in University

Turkish citizen Murat Y., a graduate student at Tartu University, was insulted and punched in the chin by 3 people who wanted to smoke. Murat Y. stated that the night guards from whom he asked for help ignored him and he had to defend himself. He also said that neo-Nazi groups at the university sometimes attacked foreigners.

23.08.2020 GERMANY Hannover

"NSU 2.0" Signed Threats

Green Party Deputy Filiz Polat also received a racist threat letter signed "NSU 2.0".



24.08.2020 FRANCE Wandome

Racist Harassment of Turkish Woman By Neighbor

A Turkish woman living in the town of Wandome in France was abused by her next-door neighbor.

25.08.2020 GERMANY Landau

Racist Insult and Batter

A Turkish citizen accidentally and lightly hit a pedestrian with his car mirror. A dispute broke out and he was subjected to racist insults and beaten by the pedestrian. The Turkish citizen also stated that the police officers who were called to the scene also displayed a racist attitude.

26.08.2020 AUSTRIA Mödling

Insult on Mosque Wall

An insulting article was written on the wall of Mödling Mosque, affiliated with ATİB in Austria.





EXAMPLE 26.08.2020 FRANCE Villedieu-le-Château Former Mayor Displays Open Hostility Towards Turkey

Jean-Yves Narquin, former mayor of Villedieu-le-Château and former delegate of Le Pen's party National Front, borrowing blogger's message targeting President Erdogan on social media said, "We must sink Turkey by enabling the depreciation of the Turkish lira."

29.08.2020 SWEDEN Malmö

Burning of Quran and Attack by Police

In Malmo, Sweden, an anti-Muslim group, protesting the two-year Sweden entry ban on Hard Line (Stram Kurs) leader Rasmus Paludan, burned the Quran amidst the police. A brawl broke out and at least 10 people were detained. The group of around 300 people turned the city center into a war zone.

30.08.2020 BELGIUM Oostende

Protest Against Violence Turns Anti-Muslim

Slogans such as "Muslims are Parasites" were chanted at a protest organized in the Belgian city of Ostend regarding violent incidents at beaches.

30.08.2020 NORWAY Oslo

Ugly Attack on the Quran in Front of the Parliament

In Oslo, the capital of Norway, the anti-Islam far-right group Sian took action in front of the parliament. They said, "You can criticize Christianity, Hinduism, but you cannot say anything about Islam. That's over now!" A Sian member protester then tore the Quran while shouting and spitting on its pages, causing the events to escalate.

02.09.2020 MONTENEGRO Pljevlja

"Turks, Be Ready for Migration!"

Two days right after the general elections, writings were written on the houses and streets of minority Bosnians in the city of Pljevlja / Taşlıca, and a message was left with the threat that Pljevlja will become the new Srebrenica by breaking the door windows of the Islamic Union of Pljevlja. In the articles written on the houses and streets, there were expressions such as "Turks, be ready to migrate, get out of here".



08.09.2020 FRANCE Paris Hate Speech on TV Show

French journalist Eric Zemmour stated in the TV program he attended, "Every year 100 to 100 thousand people in France become citizens. Most of them are Magrib and Turks, namely Muslims. This is an ontological problem. Everything must be done to prevent such a transition to citizenship."

10.09.2020 SWEDEN Stockholm

Quran Burning Provocation

The Danish, far-right Hard Line Party (Stram Kurs) members burned the Quran in an unauthorized demonstration in the Rinkeby District of Stockholm. Racist party members previously asked the police for permission to burn the Quran in 5 locations in Stockholm on September 12, 2020, but the police did not allow this provocation. Police took strict security measures in front of Fittja Grand Mosque, one of the places chosen for the protests. The provocation against Islam was continued by burning the Quran at an unauthorized event in Malmö on September 11, 2020.





10.09.2020 GERMANY Essen Police Intervention on the Way to School

In the city of Essen, 16-year-old German citizen Ada Ç. was on her way to school when she was stopped by two undercover police officers who forced her to the ground by pressing on her back with their knees. While the undercover police stated that they detained the young girl due to suspicions of drug trafficking, the victim stated that this harsh treatment was because of ethnic profiling.

12.09.2020 FRANCE Paris

Anti-Turkish Statements from Deputy

Republican Party member and EU Parliament member Nadine Morano shouted, "This is neither Turkey nor Morocco" and other hateful rhetoric after hearing fireworks and seeing that a wedding convoy was blocking traffic near her home. Her words were reported to the media and she had made anti-Turkish statements in her speeches as well. Even though the wedding convoy and fireworks were organized by the PKK partisans (which could be easily seen from videos taken of the event) Nadine Moreno made no apology or explanation for her anti-Turkish statements.

13.09.2020 The NETHERLANDS Enschede

Anti-Turkish and Anti-Islamic Hostility in Streets

"Erdogan's influence will be reset" and "We do not want a mosque on our street" were written by the anti-Islam organization "Rechts in Verzet" (Resistance on the Right) on the sidewalks of the streets near the site of a new mosque to be built in Enschede. Such statements were written in 10 different places and banners with the words 'No to the Mosque' were hung on electric poles.

14.09.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Anti-Islam Election Video

Heinz Christian Strache, former chairman of the far-right Austrian Freedom Party (FPÖ) and former Deputy Prime Minister, published a video on social media during the Vienna state and municipal elections. He stated that Viennese people have fallen into minority status in the city, the number of refugees has increased, Islamization has become widespread, state residences are now in the hands of immigrants and that aggression and tendency towards crime has increased in Vienna. At the end of the video, Strache is seen responding to the call to prayer coming from Vienna by saying, "Enough is Enough" (Jetzt Reicht's).



14.09.2020 GERMANY Gelsenkirchen

Attack on Association

During the midnight attack on the Turkish-Arab-German Cultural Association in Gelsenkirchen, the windows of the association were broken. The general secretary of the association stated that at around 01:00 at night, the German neighbors heard noises but told them that they did not go out and instead informed them in the morning.

15.09.2020 FRANCE Paris

Profiling Call from Journalist

Journalist Judith Waintraub stated in a public hearing on a television program she attended that anyone who converted to Islam should be reported to the police. At that time, some of the guests participating in the program supported Waintraub, while others criticized her words.

16.09.2020 SWEDEN Umea

Racist Insults During Match

A Turkish footballer of the Umea team from the Swedish Second League complained to the Swedish Football Federation about a Halmstad team footballer on the grounds that he subjected him to racial slurs. In the statement made by the Umea team, it was reported that the racist attack was carried out by the rival football player after the double fight was heard in the match video of the broadcaster.

17.09.2020 GERMANY

Fake News About Turkish Company

The tabloid magazine with the highest circulation in Germany published visual of animals tortured in a German slaughterhouse with the false headline "This happened at a Turkish company." The video was deleted from the tabloid magazine's website after lawyers of the company, which was publicly named and targeted, sent warnings.

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18.09.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna Election Posters Inspired by Nazi Era

For the Vienna state and municipal elections, the Austrian Freedom Party (FPÖ) posted an image political advertisement on social media depicting the Austrian Social Democratic Party (SPÖ), the New People's Party (ÖVP) and the Green Party as donating money to foreigners in Vienna through the state employment agency. The photo on the advertisement, which was directly inspired by antisemitic posters targeting Jews when Hitler was in power, featured a crescent sign on the arm of the person receiving the money.

19.09.2020 FRANCE Obernai Graffiti on Home of Former DITIB President

Insulting drawings were made by writing "Arab" on the walls and on the path of the house of the former DITIB Obernai President, a member of the Obernai Municipal Council.

23.09.2020 AUSTRIA Salzburg

Xenophobic Letter

A hateful letter was distributed in the Austrian state of Salzburg. The letter stated that foreigners should leave the country, that foreigners are not welcome to Austria in any way, that integration cannot be implemented, and Austrians should be taken seriously.

23.09.2020 UNITED KINGDOM

News on Perception Against Muslims

In the news in the British tabloid newspaper about the Eiffel Tower, which was evacuated for a while due to the false bomb notice in France, it was stated that a person made threats that he would blow everything up after shouting "Allah-u Akbar".

23.09.2020 GERMANY Hagen

Swastika on Police Vehicle

In Hagen, North Rhine-Westphalia, a 26-year-old fled after drawing a swastika on the door of a police vehicle near the train station. He was arrested and afterwards confessed to the crime.



Anti-Turkish Sentiment in Asparagas News

The news site "zackzack.at," founded by former member of parliament Peter Pilz, reported that a Turkish agent in Vienna had applied to the Office for the Protection of the Constitution and Counterterrorism (BVT) and accused Turkey of assigning him with the mission of murdering former members of the Green Party. The Austrian Embassy in Turkey reacted strongly and negatively to the news site.

24.09.2020 SWEDEN Karlskrona

Tearing of Quran in Front of Market

Pages of the Quran covered with ground pork were left in front of a market run by a Muslims in the Ronneby district of Karlskrona, Sweden. According to eyewitness testimony, four people, two women and two men, quickly came to the front of the market, tore the pages of the Quran and wrote, 'Islam is over' in front of the market. They then mixed the torn pages with ground pork and fled.

26.09.2020 GREECE Imathia

Attack on Muslim Association

Unidentified people attacked the Muslim Association in the town of Aleksandria in the province of Imathia, Greece. The windows at the entrance were broken.

27.09.2020 BULGARIA Plovdiv

Turkish Flag Targeted

Before the racist demonstration attended by 200 people in Plovdiv, the Turkish flag was also targeted on social media by group who organized the event.

28.09.2020 GERMANY Augsburg

Attack on Turkish Politician's Office

Stones were thrown at the office of Union '90 / Green Party Deputy Cemal Bozoğlu in the city of Augsburg.



30.09.2020 SWITZERLAND Zurich Pigs in the Turkish Family's Mailbox

Pig's ears and pig's tail were placed in the mailbox of a Turkish family residing in the Schwamendingen district of Zurich. Dirty items, dog droppings, etc. were left in the same family's mailbox 5-6 times in the last three years.

02.10.2020 GERMANY Duisburg

"Company for the Extermination of Muslims"

Duisburg DİTİB Yunus Emre Mosque was sent a letter on behalf of the "Company for the Extermination of Muslims" signed by "Hans L." The letter sent stated that the members of the mosque and their family members were asked to "be killed / destroyed" by various methods.

• 04.10.2020 GERMANY Hamburg

Anti-Turkish Humor

Turkish viewers complained about the comedian Kay R., who made derogatory jokes about Turks during his show. Kay R's management parted ways with him after this incident.

08.10.2020 GERMANY Pforzheim

Threat Letter to Mosque

An anonymous letter containing threats and severe swearing was sent to Pforzheim DİTİB Fatih Mosque.

08.10.2020 NEW ZEALAND Wellington

Vandalism of Atatürk Monument

A monument built in the memory of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk in Wellington, the capital of New Zealand, was attacked and vandalized.

•••• 09.10.2020 GERMANY Hamburg Hate Letter to Mosque

A defamatory letter containing anti-Islamic statesnts was left in the mailbox of the DİTİB Hamburg-Harburg Mehmet Akif Mosque.



Og.10.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna Hostility from Party Leader to Muslims at Rally

Speaking at the far-right Austrian Freedom Party's (FPÖ) rally about the works carried out for the Vienna state elections, party leader Norbert Hofer addressed Austria's Muslim immigrants: "I am receiving death threats because of the words I said about the Quran. The more pressure is put on me, the stronger we will grow. Many people came to this country. From Hungary, Poland, Serbia. Their cultures are almost the same as ours. The stronger the FPÖ, the harder it will be to stop here. We will try to send you home."

10.10.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Anti-Islam Election Poster

During the Vienna state and municipal elections the far-right Austrian Freedom Party (FPÖ) shared an anti-Islamic post depicting Muslims as radicals on social media.

11.10.2020 BOSNIA-HERSEK Biyelyina

Attack on the Historical Mosque

The historical Sultan Süleyman Atik Mosque, which was under national protection in Biyelyina, built between 1520-1566 and named after the ruler of the period, Süleyman the Magnificent, was attacked. Windows and fences were broken in the mosque and in the lavatory during the attack.

11.10.2020 GERMANY Herne

Gas Chamber Threat to Turkish Football Player

In the A-Amateur Football League match, a Turkish football player of the Zonguldakspor Bickern team was consistently attacked verbally by a German audience with words like; "We need to gas you, put you in the gas chambers.".

12.10.2020 The NETHERLANDS

Anti-Muslim Racist Statement from Wilders

On his Twitter account far-right politician Geert Wilders asked Prime Minister Mark Rutte, "Are Henk and Ingrid's treatment for cancer, heart failure or other diseases being delayed again because intensive care services are mainly occupied by Mohammed or Fatma who do not speak our language and do not follow the rules? Is this true?" Attacks Targeting Turkish Citizens Abroad in

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13.10.2020 GERMANY Kolkwitz Anti-Islamic Refusal Letter

In Germany, an e-mail which is published in social media containing the company name, but whose recipient is not known, stated that the application made for vocational training was rejected, and it was shown that the number of applicants was higher than the need and the applicant was Muslim. Company manager said, "We do not want a Muslim who fulfills his religious practices in our company. Islam, in my opinion, is not compatible with the German Constitution. In my experience, (Islam) is an undesirable type of society for me and my environment, and I reject Islam's discriminatory views towards women and other thinking people. " "I hope you find the way to your homeland and live there according to your own principles." sentences are listed.

13.10.2020 GERMANY Bochum

Racist Threat to Female Lawyer

Leyla M. S., a lawyer in Bochum, Germany, stated that she was threatened by a German woman who identified herself as a journalist and model and has 82,000 followers on social media. Leyla M. S. became active in politics through the CDU Bochum organization and was elected to the Assembly. She stated that threats were also added to racist comments whenever she shares her opinions on social media.

14.10.2020 The NETHERLANDS Dordrecht Racism from Referee to Female Footballer

A referee made racist statements at a female Turkish football player who played for the SC Emma Club women's team in Dordrecht, Netherlands. After the football player had been fouled and was in pain, her teammates asked the referee to disqualify the opposing player. The referee turned to the Turkish football player and said, "It would be difficult for me to send her back to her country."

15.10.2020 GERMANY Zwickau

"A Turkish Team Has No Place in German Football"

The Türkgücü München football team, which reached Germany's third league during the 2020/2021 Season, was about to play against the FSV Zwickau football on October 23, 2020 when right before the match the neo-Nazi "Third Way / Der dritte Weg" party revealed a banner in the stadium with their emblem and the phrase "Türkgücü is not welcome!" (Türkgücü nicht Willkommen!). The party has been known to spread the message: "Turkish Teams Have No Place in German Football"



IT 15.10.2020 GERMANY Itzehoe Arson Attempt on Mosque

An arson attempt was made on the Great Mosque affiliated with DITIB in the town of Itzehoe in the German state of Schleswig-Holstein.





Hate Speech Against Association

Anonymous people wrote the words "100% Cohon (one hundred percent pig), Cochonou (sausage brand)" on the street sign pointing to the Turkish Union Association in the city of Thiers. A cross was also drawn on the sign.

16.10.2020 BELGIUM Puurs Attempted Lynching of Turkish Youth

In the Belgian city of Puurs, a racist group attacked three young Turkish people who were in their car. The young people tried to escape the attack and their car was badly damaged in the process. They tried to escape by driving away from the crowd but were detained by the police. The two victims in the passenger seats were detained for 18 hours and the young man in the driver's seat for 48 hours. Their Turkish lawyer stated that he thought the detention period was extended in order not to provoke the thousands of right-wing extremists who planned to meet again two days later.

17.10.2020 GERMANY Pforzheim

Vandalism of Bakery

Unidentified people wrote anti-Islamic statements on the windows of a Turkish Bakery at night. Police reported that the bakery may have been vandalized by people who attended a demonstration by the anti-Islamic far-right association "Pax Europa" in Pforzheim on the same day.

17.10.2020 AUSTRIA Dornbirn

Racist Harassment at Market

A couple shopping at the Turkish market in Dornbirn were verbally attacked by an Austrian woman for speaking Turkish and because Seda C. wore a headscarf. The assailant pushed Seda C. by grabbing her arm. The victim reported that the Austrian police who arrived at the scene acted indifferent.



18.10.2020 FRANCE Charleville-Meziers Beating of Turkish Women by Police

In Charleville Meziers two 19-year-old Turkish women were beaten by the police in front of their families (who brought their license and registration) during a routine traffic control. Images of this incident were also shared on social media. The father was also warned: "You do not know the law, this is not Turkey, return to your country." When the women reported what happened the officers told the prosecutor that, "the police have the right to use force" and insisted the incident was normal.

20.10.2020 AUSTRIA Bregenz

Turkish Families Targeted with Pandemic News That Are Not Based on Official Data

An online news website based in the state of Vorarlberg, claimed that up to 70% of the new cases occurring throughout the state were of immigrant origin and that the state administration did not disclose the data for political reasons. It was stated that the majority of new patients were of Turkish origin, the reason being large families, crowded wedding and events.

20.10.2020 FRANCE Béziers

Mosque Burning Call

After the murder of teacher Samuel Paty in France, a person commented under a social media post: "Do you want to do something in his memory? So, go and burn the Béziers Mosque so they realize that we are tired."

21.10.2020 FRANCE Paris

Journalist Calls for Revenge

William Goldnadel, the head of Lawyers Without Borders, writer for Le Figaro newspaper, stated in a TV program that the best thing to do for the murdered teacher Samuel Paty was "revenge."

EXAMPLE 22.10.2020 GERMANY Hamburg Hate Letter to the Mosque

A letter containing anti-Islamic and racist content and illustrations was sent to the Nobistor Mosque in Hamburg. "All Muslims are filth!" was written in the letter.

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Anti-Islam Cartoons

While the effects of the cartoons against Hz. Muhammad continued, insulting cartoons targeting Muslims were pasted again on visible places such as street signs and poles in the Bulgarian city of Plovdiv.

23.10.2020 GERMANY Hamburg Hate Letter to the Mosque

A letter filled with insults to Muslims and Islam was sent to the New Beyazıt Mosque in Hamburg, Germany.





23.10.2020 FRANCE Paris

Fireworks Attack on Paris's Symbolic Mosque

The first mosque built in France in 1926, in memory of the Muslims who fought against the Germans in the fifth district of Paris, the symbolic Paris Grand Mosque, was attacked with fireworks. They were fired from the adjacent buildings over the congregation gathered for Friday prayers.

23.10.2020 GERMANY Waldenbuch

Hate Letter

In the city of Waldenbuch, some articles containing insults towards the association, President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Islam and religious values were left in the mailbox of the DITIB association.

23.10.2020 SERBIA Belgrade

Attack on Historic Tomb

The Star of David and Cross signs were painted on the wall of Damat Ali Pasha Tomb, which is the only Turkish Cemetery in Serbia, located in the Belgrade Fortress Square. The same symbols were painted on other non-Ottoman/non-Turkish historical artifacts in the square.

23.10.2020 SWITZERLAND Zurich Hate Letter to Religious Foundation

A picture of President Erdogan and a letter were sent to the Swiss

A picture of President Erdogan and a letter were sent to the Swiss Turkish Religious Foundation's (İTDV) headquarters in Zurich. The letter contained phrases such as:

"Erdogan is asking his citizens living in Switzerland to put his picture in their homes. According to research, many people view this request favorably because it is good for the homesickness," "It is a good nausea medicine without a doctor's report," and "send the unbelievers to hell."

25.10.2020 GERMANY Hamburg

Attack on Vehicle

Two vehicles without license plates, in a parking lot belonging to the wholesale firm of Turkish citizen named İdris U., were about to be sold in Romania when swastikas were drawn on them by unknown individuals. Their windows were also broken with a sledgehammer.



Call to War on Hijab

Far-right politician Marine Le Pen declared that a war against the headscarf should be waged by targeting Muslims in the country and that some articles of the European Convention on Human Rights should be suspended.

26.10.2020 AUSTRALIA Sydney

Attack on Mosque

Gelibolu Mosque, managed by the Auburn Turkish Islamic Cultural Center, was attacked. The attacker entered the mosque and broke the chandeliers, windowpanes, plasma television and some items on the upper floor of the mosque, causing thousands of dollars in property damage.

26.10.2020 FRANCE Normandy Territory

War Declaration on Turks and Muslims

In a message that was widely shared on social media in the Normandy region, war was declared against the Turkish and Muslim communities to avenge Samuel Paty. The message also included threats and insults against Muslim communities settled in France, especially Turkish citizens.

26.10.2020 FRANCE Vernon

Threat Letter to Mosque

A letter containing threats and insults was left by unidentified people at the Vernon DİTİB Mosque. The letter contained insults against Muslim women wearing headscarves and contained the fallowing statement: "The war has begun, we will expel you from our country. You will account for the death of Samuel."

29.10.2020 FRANCE Nimes

"Headscarves are not allowed in the market"

A supermarket manager in Nimes hung a sign on his door saying, "From now on, headscarved women will not be allowed inside." After negative public reaction the supermarket chain condemned the incident and announced that they would take care of it.



30.10.2020 FRANCE Chateaudun Arson Attempt on Mosque

A person who came to the Chateaudun Mevlana Mosque early in the morning attempted to commit arson with gasoline. Thanks to the non-plastic doors the fire did not spread and there was no injury or loss of life in the incident.



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30.10.2020 AUSTRIA Hate Messages on Social Media

Prime Minister Kurz shared a post on social media claiming that 50 young Turkish people raided a church and kicked the benches and confessional benches while shouting Allahu Akbar. This post received more than 12,000 likes in 24 hours, 3575 comments containing insults against Turks and Muslims, and was shared 1701 times. The post wrote: "All Christians in Austria have to worship freely and safely. We will continue our war against political Islam with determination and will not show false tolerance in any way. We thank the Minister of the Interior Karl Nehammer and the Minister of Harmony, Susanne Raab, for their quick reactions and special thanks to the police officers who carried out special operations." After the Austrian Catholic Church released a statement saying there were only 20 attacker and no proof that they were Turkish (and that they had handed security camera footage to the police), the Prime Minister backtracked and said, "We did not say the attackers were Turkish youth."



Alle Christen müssen in Österreich frei und in Sicherheit ihren Glauben ausüben könnent Wir werden den Kampf gegen den politischen Islam entschieden weiterführen und hier keine falsche Toleranz zeigen. Danke an Karl Nehammer und Susanne Raub für die schnelle Reaktion und mein besonderer Dank gilt auch allen Polizisten für ihren Einsatz!



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30.10.2020 SWITZERLAND Thurgau-Kreuzlingen Attack on the Mosque

An unidentified person wrote the phrase "Mörder" (Murderer) on the wall of the Kreuzlingen Turkish Cultural Association Mosque, affiliated to the Swiss Turkish Religious Foundation, at around 4.30 in the morning and drew a cross under it.

30.10.2020 FRANCE Chateauneuf sur Sarthe Hammer Attack

Ertuğrul B., a resident of Chateauneuf sur Sarthe, was at first verbally taunted by someone he presumed to be French. Next the attacker hit his foot, neck and back with a hammer used in construction works for roofing. The victim was able to escape the attack with the help of people around him and the attacker was detained.

30.10.2020 FRANCE Dunkerque

Insults Against Islam in the Mosque

"The religion of dogs and murders" and similar insults were written on the door of Dunkerque Mosque affiliated to DITIB.

31.10.2020 FRANCE Trappes

Anti-Islamic Letter to Library

A letter with the words "filthy pig predecessor" was left at a Muslim library in Trappes. While similar notes were sent to many Muslim associations and mosques in the region, some of them also contained caricatures of the Prophet Mohammed.

31.10.2020 DENMARK

Donation Campaign for Caricature Publishing

In response to the murder of Samuel Paty, the far-right New Right Party in Denmark launched a campaign to republish the Charlie Hebdo caricatures of the Prophet Muhammad. The anti-immigrant party, which has 4 seats in the 179-seat Danish parliament, announced on its website that a donation campaign has been launched to "advertise Charlie Hebdo's drawings in Danish newspapers."



31.10.2020 AUSTRIA Mittersill Mosque Enemy Pictures

A series of posters with implications were placed on the wall of the Mittersill Mosque affiliated to ATIB in Austria in order to create a negative perception of Muslims' approach to various minorities and groups such as LGBTQ.





01.11.2020 BELGIUM Brussels Prophet Muhammad Caricature

A teacher from the primary school 'Aux sources du gai savoir' in Sint-Jans-Molenbeek, Belgium, where immigrants live densely, gave 5th grade students the French humor magazine Charlie Hebdo to teach a lesson on current affairs. He showed the 10-year-old students the magazine's obscene caricatures of the Prophet Muhammad.

01.11.2020 FRANCE Paris

Hate Speech After Izmir Earthquake

The perpetrator, who is said to be a senior software developer in Microsoft's MVP program, shared an "inhumane" post about the Izmir earthquake. He shared a message about the earthquake saying, "Karma is a bitch!" In response to this racist statement Microsoft announced, "The person who shared the post about the Izmir earthquake was not an employee of Microsoft and has never been. He has been cut off from the MVP program due to the obvious violations of contract." He has also released an apology for the post on social media.



01.11.2020 FRANCE Paris



01.11.2020 FRANCE Belleydoux Racist Articles on Education Center Doors

Racist rhetoric and threats were written on the doors of the National Vision Belleydoux Training Center.

01.11.2020 FRANCE Evry

Turkish Hostility by Doctor

A Turkish woman was kicked out of a physiotherapy clinic by a doctor who yelled at her: "You too are headstrong like your President. Problems everywhere. Barbarian Turks!" During the incident, another patient also made racist insults to the Turkish woman.

01.11.2020 GERMANY Lauf an der Pegnitz

Threat Letter to Mosque

A threatening letter containing insults against Islam and President Recep Tayyip Erdogan was sent the Mevlana Mosque in Lauf an der Pegnitz.

Pig Head Left at Mosque

Unidentified people left 2 wild boar heads at the new building of the French-Turkish Friendship Association, which is under construction in Compiegne, and to the DİTİB Grand Mosque.

01.11.2020 FRANCE Sarrebourg Vandalism of Vehicle

In the city of Sarrebourg in the Moselle province of France, the body of Ali K's vehicle (which had not been used for a long time) was vandalized with anti-Islamic and insulting expressions written in black paint.

02.11.2020 AUSTRIA Wels

Animal Organs Left in Garden

A pig's head, blood, and viscera were thrown on the tables and benches and on the floor in a social housing complex with a children's playground in Wels, Austria, in an area with a high Turkish population. It was suggested that this anti-Islamic attack, which was reported in the Austrian media, might be related to the Vienna attacks.



03.11.2020 FRANCE Nantes

Attack on Turkish Business

Hate speech was written on the walls and blinds of a Turkish butcher shop in the city of Nantes. Phrases such as, "Get out of here, go home," "Hurray pig," "Long live Le Pen," "Death to Erdogan," "France belongs to the French," and "Death to the Turks," were written. The glass of the cupboards were also broken.

04.11.2020 AUSTRIA Wels

Insults Against the Prophet Muhammad on Mosque Wall

Insults against Muhammad were written on the wall of Yunus Emre Mosque, affiliated with the Austrian Turkish-Islamic Union (ATİB).



04.11.2020 AUSTRIA Wels



04.11.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna Threatening E-mails to ATİB

A threatening e-mail was sent to the headquarters of the Austrian Turkish-Islamic Union.

04.11.2020 AUSTRIA Freistadt

Threatening E-mails to ATIB

The threatening e-mail sent to ATIB headquarters was also sent to the e-mail address of a mosque association affiliated to ATIB in Freistadt, Upper Austria. The message, which was signed "Josef F," wrote: "Good day! The Crusaders have been ruthlessly setting up missions in Islamist countries. And their noses bled. Now you are doing the same thing and your nose will bleed too. Tell your people to go wherever they want to live according to their own understanding and let us live our own culture in peace. Mr. Erdogan will gladly accept you all. But go quickly, before it's too late."

04.11.2020 AUSTRIA Mittersill

Mosque Terror Posters

Posters linking Muslims to terrorism were placed on the walls of a mosque association affiliated with ATIB in the city of Mittershill, Salzburg.

04.11.2020 GERMANY Hüfingen

Threat Letter to Mosque

A threatening letter stating "Islam belongs to neither Germany nor Europe" and "We will destroy Islam and Islamists in Germany" was sent by mail to the Masjid-i Aqsa Mosque, affiliated to DITIB with Hüfingen.

04.11.2020 FRANCE Paris

Racist Reaction to Democratic Reaction

On October 28, 2020 in Vienne, France, pro-Armenia protesters closed the A7 highway and attacked Turks going to work. In response, Turks protested in Lyon and Dijon. In response to the attacks on Turks and the Turkish protestors in Lyon and Dijon, Marine Le Pen (the leader of the far-right National Unity (RN) Party) participated in a TV program where she said that if she were in Macron's place, she would, "Capture and deport Turkish citizens who took action." Le Pen also stated, "I would catch these people, detain them, and then throw them out."



04.11.2020 GERMANY Islam Linked with Terror on Children's Channel

A German children's channel featured 2 angry, black-haired human figures next to the word Islam. Next to the figures, the image of terrorist with a covered face and a gun was shown.



04.11.2020 FRANCE Paris President Erdogan

Three people were killed in the knife attack in Nice, France on October 29th, 2020. Two days later, a priest was seriously injured when an Orthodox nun in Lyon was shot at. A French political weekly magazine blamed the attacks on Turkey and wrote under a picture of President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, "France faced with international Islamist" he wrote.

04.11.2020 GERMANY Munich

Hate Speech to Turkish Team

A Nazi concentration camp threat was sent to the Munich Türkgücü team in the German 3rd League. The e-mail stated, "Get out you dogs. You are not Mickey Mouse, you can only be scums. You should have been sent to Nazi concentration camp under another administration."
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Genocide Threat to Mosque

A letter (similair to the one sent to the Mevlana Mosque in the town of Lauf an der Pegnitz, to the DİTİB Sultanahmet Mosque in Dietenhofen) was sent, referring to the terrorist attack that took place in Vienna, Austria, along with obscene cartoons and phrases insulting Islam. Unlike the other letter this one said, "... the days are not far when we will treat you the same as we (unfortunately) do to the Jews!" / "... der Tag ist nicht so fern, an dem wir es mit Euch so machen, wie wir es schon mit den Juden (bedauerlicherweise) gemacht haben!"

05.11.2020 GERMANY Hüfingen Signed Letter to Mosque by NSU Terrorist Organization

An insulting 3-page letter signed "NSU" was sent to the DİTİB Masjid-i Aksa Mosque in the city of Hüfingen from the city of Chemnitz.



05.11.2020 GERMANY Hüfingen



05.11.2020 The NETHERLANDS Rotterdam Hate Messages on Cultural Center Walls

The Versaar Turkish-Islamic Cultural Center in the Netherlands was attacked. Racist statements were written on the walls of the association saying "get out of here" and "we will root you out" late at night.

06.11.2020 FRANCE Nant

Second Attack on Turkish Business in a Week

A racist attack was carried out for the second time on a Turkish business. The business was attacked on November 3rd, 2020 in the city of Nant. The attacker or attackers entered by breaking the back door. The attacker(s) wrote racist statements such as, "Death to the Turks," "Long Live Le Pen!" and "Get out of here, go home!" on the walls. They also damaged the meat processing machines and broke the television and display case.

06.11.20200 GERMANY Karlsruhe

Cartoon Harassment Letters

A defamatory letter dated October 27th, 2020 containing the cover of the Charlie Hebdo magazine was sent to the Karlsruhe DİTİB Central Mosque, Lörrach DİTİB Center, Lauchringen DİTİB Sancak and Bad Säckingen DİTİB Mimar Sinan Mosques.

08.11.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Provocation Against Muslims

On Sunday morning, gunfire and then the call to prayer were heard in Vienna's 8th district. In the incident, after the first notice made by the residents of the neighborhood, who were worried about a new terrorist act, the police determined that the sounds of music came first from a vehicle, and then the call to prayer was read from the loudspeaker of the car accompanied by gunfire. The Social Austria of the Future (SÖZ) Party filed a criminal complaint against the people who carried out this provocative action to provoke the Viennese against the Muslims during the demonstration under the heading of "Tolerance and Diversity" planned in Vienna.

09.11.2020 FRANCE Paris

Attack on Association with "Turkey" in Title

An association, which has ties to the PKK and includes "Turkisj Origin" in its title, was vandalized with the phrase "Islam=Death."

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09.11.2020 SWITZERLAND Zurich Racist Discourse of Politician

In the elections of the Schaffhausen Municipal Council, which was to be held on November 29, 2020, the election campaign posters of Ibrahim Tas, the candidate of the Social Democratic Party (SP), were vandalized with the phrase "Keine Ausländer" (No Foreigners) by unidentified persons.

10.11.2020 SWEDEN Stockholm

White Powder Envelope to 4 Mosques in Sweden

Envelopes containing dust were left to a total of 4 mosques, one of which is affiliated with the Swedish Religious Foundation, in Malmö, Eskilstuna and Rinkeby suburb of Stockholm, where Turks are densely populated. After the necessary investigations were made by the police, it was understood that the powder did not contain any harmful substances.

10.11.2020 The NETHERLANDS Zaandam

Attack on Mosque

In the Netherlands, the Ottoman Mosque affiliated to the Federation of National Vision (MGNN) was attacked. The glass of the mosque in Zaandam city was broken with bricks.

10.11.2020 GERMANY Spaichingen

Hate Letter to the Mosque

A letter containing racist and anti-Islamic statements and drawings was sent to the DITIB Mosque in the city of Spaichingen. The letter contained insulting cartoons and the article "More soon: www.Mohammedjoke.com" addressing our Prophet and President Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

10.11.2020 GERMANY Duisburg

PEG Hate Letters Series

A letter was sent to the Duisburg Hochfeld Muradiye Mosque affiliated to DITIB in German, with the mention of Macron and France, containing insults against Islam and Muslims. For the third time in the last year, a threatening letter with the same content was sent to the mosque from Munich, two of which were on 13 September 2019 and 24 May 2020. Letters signed with "PEG", which is the abbreviation of Prinz Eugen Gruppe, were later sent to Hamburg Muradiye Mosque, Cologne Central Mosque and Mannheim Yavuz Sultan Selim Mosque.



11.11.2020 GERMANY Hamburg

Arson Initiative

In the evening, industrial pallets and crates were set on fire in the storage area of a Turkish market, the noticed fire was extinguished before it grew.

11.11.2020 GERMANY Hamburg

PEG Hate Letters Series

A racist and anti-Islamic letter was sent with the signature of PEG on November 10th, 2020 from Duisbug and left in the mailbox of the DİTİB Muradiye Mosque in Hamburg.

12.11.2020 GERMANY Augsburg

Arson Attempt to Turkish Restaurant

In the city of Augsburg, Germany, a restaurant operated by Muhammet I. was nearly set on fire. While the paper trash at the back entrance of the shop was set on fire, the shop escaped burning when the neighbors noticed the fire early. In the arson attempt, which took place around 03:00 at night, the flames were extinguished without spreading on the plastic window.

12.11.2020 GERMANY Hamburg

Attack on Vehicle

The vehicle of the head of the IGMG New Beyazıt Mosque in Hamburg, parked in front of the mosque, was damaged by stones and kicking. The windshield of the vehicle was broken and dents occurred on the doors.

13.11.2020 GERMANY Mannheim PEG Hate Letters Series

One of the insult letters sent to DITIB mosques, prepared by the far-right "Prince Eugen Group", came to the Yavuz Sultan Selim Mosque in Mannheim.

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13.11.2020 GERMANY Mannheim Unfounded Bomb Warning to Mosque

An e-mail was sent to Yavuz Sultan Selim Mosque affiliated to DITIB containing the phrases, "There are two bombs hidden in the mosque, it will explode as soon as possible, everywhere will turn into a bloodbath. Muslim pigs will die.". Police teams evacuated the congregation who came for the Friday prayer and searched for a bomb in the mosque. After it was understood that the notice was unfounded, the mosque was reopened for worship.

14.11.2020 GERMANY Bielefeld

Anti-Islam Banner at Station

Banners of Islamophobia were hung at the central train station of the German city of Bielefeld. The posters wrote that the Federal Government warned against Islamic terrorism and that anyone entering the train station should take the risk. Two perpetrators, aged 21 and 22, were caught on the poster, which was hung on the station entrance and inside.





17.11.2020 GERMANY Sulz am Neckar

Cartoon Harassment and Hate Speech in Front of a Mosque

"Germany is for the Germans. Foreigners out!" With a picture of obscene caricatures of humiliation against Muslims on the light pole in front of the DITIB Prophet Omer Mosque in Sulz am Neckar. The labels with the expressions are pasted.

18.11.2020 GERMANY Cologne Threats from Right-wing Terrorists

DITIB Central Mosque in Cologne received a threatening letter to Muslims. Similar to the letter signed with "PEG", which is the abbreviation of the far-right formation Prinz Eugen Gruppe, was sent to Yavuz Sultan Selim Mosque in Mannheim and Muradiye Mosque in Duisburg-Hochfeld on the same dates.



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A copy of the "PEG" threatening letter sent to DITIB Central Mosque in Cologne was sent to Yavuz Sultan Selim Mosque in Mannheim.

20.11.2020 GERMANY

Verbal Assault on Turkish Workers

A similar letter of the "PEG" threat letter sent to DITIB Central Mosque in Cologne was sent to Yavuz Sultan Selim Mosque in Mannheim.

20.11.2020 GERMANY Regensburg

Islamophobia with a 7-Hour Challenge Speech

At a demonstration on "Political Anti-Islamic Lighting" by the right-wing populist popular movement "Pax Europa" operating throughout Germany in the city center of Regensburg on Haidplatz square, anti-Islam, right-wing writer Michael Stürzenberger stated that political Islam poses a great danger in a seven-hour speech. He insulted Islam and the Quran. During the demonstration, the anti-Islam speaker recorded a report with the police officers in the demonstration area on the grounds that he insulted Cihangir B. about Cihangir B.

21.11.2020 The NETHERLANDS Leiden

Religion Lesson Teaching Anti-Islamism

Among the questions of a written assignment on "freedom of religion and Islam" during a religion class at Visser't Hooft High School in Leiden were fallowing questions asked; "Why do people believe in a religion that produces so much violence?" and "Why are there so many Muslim terrorists?". A Muslim student left the class while the assignment was being taught.

25.11.2020 GERMANY Lauchringen

Cartoon Harassment Letters

An insulting letter was sent to Lauchringen DİTİB Sancak Mosque, Karlsruhe DİTİB Center, Lörrach DİTİB Center and Bad Säckingen DİTİB Mimar Sinan Mosques with the cover of the 27 October edition of the Charlie Hebdo magazine and the photo of our President.



27.11.2020 GREECE Xanthi

Threat Messages to Xanthi Mufti's Residence

In Greece, racist threats and insulting messages targeting Turks were written on the elevator of the apartment building where Xanthi Mufti Ahmet Mete lived.

27.11.2020 SWITZERLAND Zurich

Hate Letter to the Religious Foundation

After the letters in July and October to the headquarters of the Swiss Turkish Religious Foundation (ITDV) in Zurich, another letter containing photos and insulting statements of our President, Mr. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan was sent.

27.11.2020 GERMANY Lörrach

Cartoon Letters to Mosques

A letter containing insults against Islam and Muslims with the cover photo of the French Charlie Hebdo magazine, as well as to the Architect Sinan Mosque, to the Lörrach Central Mosque of the DITIB in the town of Lörrach in the state of Baden-Württemberg.

27.11.2020 BELGIUM Menen

Anti-Islam Flyers

Anti-Islam flyers were affixed to lighting poles in Menen, Belgium.



27.11.2020 GERMANY Kornwestheim "Revenge" to the Mosque

"Revenge" was written in Turkish on the wall of the mosque in the town of Kornwestheim in the state of Baden-Württemberg. The attack took place after the adoption of a motion in the German parliament that banned associations, including ATIB.

01.12.2020 GERMANY Hannover

Racist Harassment and Allegation of Police Violence

Unable to find a parking space, Serdar D. parked his vehicle in a parking prohibited area across his house. When he wanted to leave, he apologized to the person parked behind him for wrong parking and asked him to pull the car, he encountered racist insults. According to the testimony of Serdar D., the police who came to the scene ignored racist insults and tried to force him to lie down on his shoulders instead of simply imposing a parking ticket. Serdar D., who had injuries on his shoulders, stated that he would go to the hospital to get a report of assault and complain.





03.12.2020 GERMANY Wolfenbüttel Racist Articles for Kindergarten

Racist statements containing insults against Muslims and foreigners were written on the walls of a kindergarten in the town of Wolfenbüttel in Lower Saxony, Germany. Nazi symbols were drawn on the walls of the kindergarten as well as expressions such as "foreigners get out".

06.12.2020 GERMANY Freiburg

Attack on Mosque

Two people attacked Freiburg DİTİB Mevlana Mosque in the morning. It was seen from the camera recordings that the attackers were two people, they broke the camera on the main door of the mosque, threw the flower pot on the ground, tear the sunshade on the window with posters and notices hanging on the mosque's door.



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08.12.2020 BELGIUM Antwerp Islamophobia in Law Class

An associate professor of law at the KdG - Karel de Grote Hogeschool in Antwerp, Belgium, showed a humiliating caricature mocking Islam in a public law class The school administration launched an investigation, declaring that what the associate professor did was unacceptable.

10.12.2020 GERMANY Cologne

11th Threat Letter to Mosque

A letter with insulting Islam was sent to the DITIB's Cologne Central Mosque. The letter in question was the 11th letter with similar content received in 2020.

11.12.2020 GERMANY Duisburg

Threat Letters Series

A threatening letter was sent to the Duisburg Central Mosque with the signature of PEG, which is the abbreviation of the far right organization called Prinz Eugen Gruppe. On 18 November 2020, threatening letters signed by PEG were sent to the DITIB Central Mosque in Cologne, the Yavuz Sultan Selim Mosque in Mannheim and the Muradiye Mosque in Duisburg-Hochfeld.

Hate Letter to the Religious Foundation

An unidentified person sent an insulting about Islam, the Koran and the Prophet, accompanied by obscene pictures, to the Netherlands Religious Foundation Center.

12.12.2020 GERMANY Duisburg

Continuation of Threat Letters Series from PEG

A letter of insult was sent to the DITIB Central Mosque in Duisburg, targeting our President Recep Tayyip Erdogan and Muslims. It was stated that the letter in question was identical to the insult letter sent earlier by the far-right group "PEG" (Prince Eugen Group).



13.12.2020 The NETHERLANDS Utrecht Swastika on Mosque Door

In the Netherlands, insulting inscriptions against Muslims were written and a swastika was drawn on the entrance gate and wall of the Utrecht Grand Mosque affiliated to the Religious Foundation. It was learned that the person who wrote "1830" on the mosque by drawing three swastikas with paint came to the mosque at 01:05. Before coming to the mosque, he also drew a swastika on the door of two synagogues in Utrecht. On Friday, December 11, he did the same action in the mosque of the company he worked for.

14.12.2020 The NETHERLANDS Amsterdam

Stone Attack on Mosque

The windows of Amsterdam Hagia Sophia Mosque, affiliated to the Federation of National Vision in the Netherlands, were broken with cobblestones. In the camera recordings of the mosque, at 20:50, the person who carried out the attack walked around the mosque for a while, tried to break the windowpanes with the cobblestone he removed from the sidewalk across the mosque, he was able to crack only two glasses due to the strengthening of the windows, but he broke the glass in the third window and threw the stone inside. After that he raised his right hand to do a sign thought to be a nazi salute after the attack.

17.12.2020 GERMANY Offenbach

Racist Attack on Bus

In the city of Offenbach, during a public bus expedition on the route of Hainburg, a 45-year-old far-right attacker made insulting racist statements to a woman on the bus because she was wearing a headscarf and attacked the bus driver with tear gas. It was recorded that the person in question had threatened the passengers with a knife on the bus one day ago.

18.12.2020 GERMANY Sontheim an der Brenz Painted Attack on Mosque

The words Gott and Jesus, which mean "God" and "Jesus" in German, were written on the walls of the Fatih Mosque, which is connected to DITIB, in Sontheim an der Brenz in the German state of Baden-Württemberg, and the sign of the mosque was blackened.



22.12.2020 AUSTRIA Linz Hate Letter to Mosque Association

A hate letter was sent to the Linz Mosque Association affiliated to ATİB in Austria. The letter, sent in German, contained insults against the Turks and the AK Party.

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23.12.2020 GERMANY Winnenden

Mother Injured in a Quarrel with Police

It was stated that the police, who wanted to enter the Turkish family's garage without a search permit, inflicted violence on the family who objected and caused the mother's hand to be injured in the incident.

27.12.2020 FRANCE Aubignan

Swastika on Street

The Swastika and the caption "Death to the Arabs" was written on the wall in Majoral Jauve Street in Aubignan. Although the article was reported to the municipality many times, it was not erased.

29.12.2020 GERMANY Wächtersbach

Threat Letter to Mosque

A threatening letter containing the swastika and racist statements was sent to the DITIB Central Mosque in the town of Wächtersbach in the German state of Hessen.

30.12.2020 The NETHERLANDS

Anti-Islamic New Year Card from PEGIDA to Mosques

The anti-Islamic PEGIDA movement sent a provocative Christmas greeting card to about 100 mosques in the Netherlands depicting the Quran as trampled.

30.12.2020 FRANCE Paris

Journalism Targeting Islam

An accusation of "Islamism" was filed for the President of the French Islamic Community Millî Opinion (CIMG) by naming it in the high circulation French newspaper. The president reacted to the news and said, "This is a heavy accusation against my personality. My name is mentioned directly in the article. ".



31.12.2020 GERMANY Cologne 12th Letter to the Central Mosque on the Last Day of the Year

A defamatory threat letter was sent to the DITIB's Cologne Central Mosque. In a single envelope sent by mail to DITIB Central Mosque the letters contained images, insults, threats and accusations like there were thousands of people detained in our country or who fled abroad and that DITIB was targeted and that they would not go unpunished. In addition, severe insults were made against our President Recep Tayyip Erdogan. With this last letter, an anti-Islam letter was sent to the Cologne Central Mosque every month on average in 2020.





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Close-Up Waldkraiburg Bomber

The city of Waldkraiburg, in the German state of Bavaria, came to the fore with 5 recent attacks targeting Turkish citizens' mosques, buildings and businesses in April and May 2020.

The series started with the arson of the building where the imam, his wife and 3 children are located in the adjacent building, when the door opening to the mosque section did not open despite forcing, in an attempt to arson the Sultan Ahmet Mosque on April 2, 2020, two weeks later again, a Turkish hairdresser shop in Waldkraiburg and a Turkish pizza shop were tried to be arsoned with a similar method. On April 27, 2020, at around 03:00 at night, another Turkish greengrocer was set on fire. In this attack, 26 people in the flats on the upper floors of the building where the grocery store is located, noticed the smoke and escaped the flames by chance, while four people were poisoned by the smoke. Finally, on May 6, 2020, at 02:45 in the morning, a chemical substance was poured into the restaurant after the windows of the facility were broken of a döner restaurant, which is also operated by a Turkish citizen. While the attacks caused great concern and fear among Turkish people living in the city of Waldkraiburg, a special investigation called "Sonderkomission - SoKo Prager", an expert in the field of extremism and terrorism, by the police and the Munich prosecutor's office to investigate the attacks.

Finally, on Friday, May 8, 2020 at Mühldorf am Inn station, 23 pipe bombs, 30 kg of explosives and 5.7 grams of drugs were found among the belongings of Muharrem D., who got caught while trying to get on the train illegally during a routine police control. A large number of explosives and bomb assemblies were seized in the parked vehicle of the attacker, and a 7.65-millimeter-diameter Beretta weapon at his home.

During the investigation 26-year-old Muharram D. wanted to be addressed as "The Waldkraiburg Bomber" by the police and that he was a DEASH sympathizer and that he hates Turkey and Turkish people claiming they were enemies of DEASH and that is why he carried out these attacks.



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In the indictment prepared by the Federal Attorney General's Office, the accusations such as attempting to kill 31 people, injuring 4 people, arson, possible death-related arson attack, preparation of a heavy attack against the state, violation of the gun and explosive law are mentioned, while the perpetrator committed the acts alone without any other help.

Federal Attorney General, stated that the perpetrator was preparing attacks on Religious Affairs Turkish Islamic Union (DITIB) connected mosques, the Central Mosque in the DITIB Headquarters site in Cologne and Turkey's Consulate in Munich which all are located around the perpetrators close proximity, and that he was planning to kill armed mosque imams. Garching Milli Gorus and DITIB mosque community also stated that the attacker made statements to the religious officials on various occasions that the physical conditions of these mosques were not suitable for being a place of worship, that their walls should be demolished, and that he would do it himself.

On the other hand, it was stated by various eyewitnesses and the Turkish community in the region that the family of the attacker, who lives in Garching near Munich 50 km away from Waldkraiburg, is affiliated with the PKK terrorist organization and that his mother is a strong supporter. It was stated that the attacker participated in social events with PKK terrorist organization symbols.

In the light of all this information, the request of the Turkish authorities to carry out a comprehensive and in-depth investigation into the actions of the Waldkraiburg Bomber and the links to the terrorist organization was conveyed to the German authorities.

Attacks Made Abroad by the PKK Terrorist Organization



ATTACKS MADE ABROAD BY THE PKK TERRORIST ORGANIZATION

In 2020, 14 attacks were carried out by members of the PKK terrorist organization targeting Turks and mosques, associations and businesses belonging to Turks abroad. Since the link of the Waldkraiburg Bomber with the PKK terrorist organization was not revealed by the official authorities, 6 arson incidents were not included in these attacks.

7 of the PKK terrorist organization attacks took place in Germany, where the number of Turkish population is the highest. The distribution of other attacks by country is as fallows; There were 3 attacks in Switzerland, 3 attacks in Austria and 1 attack in France.

| Coumtry | Number of Attacks |
|-------------|-------------------|
| Germany | 7 |
| Switzerland | 3 |
| Austria | 3 |
| France | 1 |
| TOTAL | 14 |

When the targets of the attacks are examined, the distribution is as follows: 7 mosque attacks (6 Germany, 1 Austria), 1 association attack (France), 1 foreign representative office with knife attack (Austria), 2 attacks on the house of the same person (Switzerland), 3 Turks in 2 separate attacks. injuries (1 Switzerland, 2 Germany). These attacks are given in chronological order in the rest of the report.



09.04.2020 GERMANY Cologne PKK Terrorist Organization Slogans Written in Mosque

In Germany, PKK terrorist organization wrote articles containing political propaganda on the walls of the Cologne-Kalk DİTİB Eyüp Sultan Mosque. The issue was reported to the police after the neighbors who noticed the writing informed the mosque administration.

12.04.2020 GERMANY Cologne

PKK Terrorist Organization Slogans Were Written Again in the Mosque

In Germany, 3 days after the first attack on the Cologne-Kalk DİTİB Eyüp Sultan Mosque, the PKK terrorist organization wrote articles of political propaganda on the walls of the mosque again.





21.05.2020 GERMANY Eitorf Lettering of PKK Terrorist Organization to the Mosque

PKK was written on the wooden arbor outside the Eitorf Central Mosque affiliated to DITIB at around 01:30.

29.06.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna 4-Day Terror Show

PKK terrorists, who continued their demonstration in the city of Vienna for 4 days, attacked the Turks and burned the Turkish flag.





01.07.2020 SWITZERLAND Bern

"Turks Can't Walk in Switzerland!" They Said and Battered

PKK terrorist organization members, who surrounded a young Turkish man in Switzerland, battered him and made threats. PKK members said; "Tell all your friends for the 10th of the month, this is a grave for all Turks. You cannot walk in Switzerland, okay? Tell all the Turks." Their statements were reflected in the records made by the witnesses. After the images spread on social media, thousands of people demanded that the PKK members in the images be investigated.

15.07.2020 GERMANY Hannover

Batting Turks by PKK Terrorists in Hannover

Two citizens, Hamza Oğuz and Emre Türk, who returned from the 15 July Democracy and National Unity Day event held in Hannover, Germany, were attacked and beaten by 7 PKK terrorist organization members.

19.07.2020 FRANCE Grenoble

Slogans and the Cross on the Shutters of the Turkish Association

In Grenoble, "Recep Petrol Erdogaz", "Kurd lives matters", "St. Sophie" were written by the PKK terrorist organization on the shutters of the Grenoble Turkish Culture Center Association affiliated to the French Turkish Federation, and cross signs were drawn.

11.09.2020 SWITZERLAND Basel

Attack on the House of the President of the Turkish Community

On the wall of the house of the President of the Swiss Turkish Community, who was also the President of MUSİAD (Independent Industrialists and Businessmen Association), writings targeting him were written by PKK terrorist organization members.

25.09.2020 AUSTRIA Vienna

Attempt to Attack the Embassy

The person identified by the eyewitnesses as a member of the PKK terrorist organization, tried to enter the Vienna Embassy of the Republic of Turkey with 2 knives one of which was an assault knife.



Painted Attack by the PKK Terrorist Organization

PKK terrorist organization's initials were written by members of the PKK terrorist organization in the Austrian-Turkish-Islamic Culture and Social Aid Union (ATIB) Central Mosque in Vienna, the capital of Austria.



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10.11.2020 GERMANY Höchst Painted Attack on the Mosque

PKK terrorist organization members threw yellow, red and green paint bags on the walls of DİTİB Eyüp Sultan Mosque in the town of Höchst near Frankfurt city.



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12.11.2020 GERMANY Berlin Slogan on Mosque Glasses

The slogan "Gegen jeden Faschismus / Against all kinds of fascism" was written on the windows of the DITIB Aksa Mosque in Berlin. The same mosque was also the target of an attack in 2018.



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25.11.2020 SWITZERLAND Basel

Threats and Attacks from the PKK Terrorist Organization to the President of the Swiss Turkish Community

The PKK terrorist organization carried out a painted attack on the home of the President of the Swiss Turkish Community (ITT). In this latest attack of the President, whose office has been the target of similar attacks four times before, the attackers, who threw red paint filled into beer bottles on the windows and walls of his house, wrote "AKP-Fascist" on one of the walls. The attackers also damaged the parked cars in front of the house with red paints. The ITT President, who received threats from the members of the terrorist organization, had previously complained to the police after the attacks.



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11.12.2020 GERMANY Offenbach Terror Propaganda on the Mosque Wall

In the painted attack carried out by PKK terrorist organization members in the city of Offenbach in the German state of Hessen, the Yavuz Selim Mosque affiliated to DITIB, the wall and the sign of the mosque were stained with paint and the expressions "Biji Kurdistan" and "Dirty Fascists" were written.

Attacks Targeting Turks Abroad by Armenian Racists 2020

ATTACKS TARGETING TURKS ABROAD BY ARMENIAN RACISTS

As the source of hate crimes faced by Turkish citizens living abroad, the far-right, white supremacist and anti-Islam ideology and the PKK terrorist organization, as well as the actions of Armenian terrorist organizations such as ASALA and JCAG, which were born out of Armenian racism in the past, are still fresh in memories, while Turkish citizens in different parts of the world are once again target of Armenian racists. In the past attacks of Armenian terrorist organizations, a total of 77 people, 58 of whom were Turkish citizens (39 state officials and family members), lost their lives and approximately 300 people were injured.

In the Nagorno-Karabakh region on the morning of 27 September 2020, Armenian racists, who took action rapidly with the conflict between the Armenian and Azerbaijani forces, started physical attacks as well as spreading anti-Turkish rhetoric through social media, traditional media and different tools.

As a matter of fact, 13 attacks by Armenian racists abroad targeting Turkish businesses, Turkish associations and Turkish citizens between October 2 and December 31, 2020 were reflected in the records, while at least 5 citizens were injured in these attacks, 2 businesses, 2 associations and vehicles belonging to Turks were damaged, in 4 cases. Turks have also been the target of hate speech and threats.

The 13 attacks in question are cases affecting Turkish citizens and are mostly reported in the media, and the total number increases when the attacks targeting Azerbaijani citizens are taken into account. However, due to its focus, attacks on Azerbaijani citizens were not included in the report.

| Country | Attack Number |
|-------------|---------------|
| USA | 3 |
| Canada | 3 |
| Argentina | 2 |
| France | 2 |
| Netherlands | 1 |
| Belgium | 1 |
| Georgia | 1 |
| Total | 13 |

The distribution by country in the attacks of Armenian racists is as follows:



02.10.2020 CANADA Montreal Attack by Armenian Racists

The Armenian flag and posters against Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev were affixed to the windows on the ground floor of the Montreal Turkish Cultural Center, which also houses the Yunus Mosque in Montreal.





03.10.2020 GEORGIA Tbilisi Knife Attack by Armenian Racist

Reşit D. was stabbed by a racist Armenian attacker in a Turkish restaurant he went to and was taken to hospital.

04.10.2020 FRANCE Paris

Painted Attack on the Turkish Association for Armenia

"Stop Aliyev - Powerful Artsakh" was written on the windows of the Anatolian Cultural Center in Paris while the Azerbaijan - Armenia conflicts were going on.

13.10.2020 CANADA Montreal

Stoned Attack on Convoy

Azerbaijanis and Turks living in Montreal formed a convoy in Montreal to support Azerbaijan with their vehicles. Armenian racist groups attacked the cars with stones that are equipped with Azerbaijani and Turkish flags. While many vehicles were damaged in the attack, the attackers fled the scene.

28.10.2020 FRANCE Lyon

Lynch Attempt by Armenian Demonstrators

A group of Armenians in Isere (Lyon) region of France made a demonstration by closing the A7 highway. The demonstrators, who caused the traffic to stop for hours on the highway, attacked Turkish citizens who went to work in the morning. As a result of the incident, a Turkish citizen father and his 2 sons were injured when the demonstrators attempted to lynch.

28.10.2020 NETHERLANDS

Death Threat to Turkish MP

Denk Party Deputy Tunahan Kuzu, after his statements supporting Azerbaijan was threatened by the by the Armenian Terrorist Organization ASALA showing Hague Ambassador Özdemir Benler's son Ahmet Benler as an example, who was martyred in the past, with the words "Be careful with what you do, or you will be on the list too.



28.10.2020 USA Los Angeles

Armenian Demonstrators Attack

An alone young man who said to the Armenians who demonstrated in the city of Miami "You are a liar" was wanted to be lynched by the Armenians. The group marched on the young man, who was broadcasting live on social media, after he told "You are lying" against the Armenians. After this incident, which took place in front of the police, the video continues as the young man enters a shopping center, and it is seen that the Armenians following the young man harassing him from time to time.

31.10.2020 CANADA Montreal Second Attack on the Cultural Center by Armenian Racists

The Turkish Cultural Center in Montreal, Canada was attacked for the second time in a month. 4 people attacked the entrance of the building, which also houses the Yunus Mosque, with eggs and stones.





02.11.2020 BELGIUM Sint-Truiden Attack on Vehicle

Armenians attacked the vehicle of a Bulgarian Turk in the city of Sint-Truiden in Belgium. Serious material damage occurred on the vehicle.

04.11.2020 USA Beverly Hills Armenian Racists Attack Turkish Business

Armenian racists attacked the Turkish restaurant serving in Beverly Hills, California, USA. The attack footage that caused material damage outside and inside the restaurant was reflected on security cameras.

08.11.2020 ARGENTINA Buenos Aires Genocide Label for Turkish Restaurant

"Genocide - Puto - TURCO GENOCIDA" expressions were written on the menu sign of the Turkish restaurant in Buenos Aires by Armenian racists.

13.11.2020 ARGENTINA Buenos Aires

Threat to the Owner of a Turkish Restaurant

The owner of the Turkish restaurant, Abdülkadir T., who was harassed by Armenian racists in Buenos Aires on 8 November 2020, found a threatening letter "You have 10 days to close the store - GENOCIDA - ARM" in Turkish in front of the door of the apartment 5 days after the first harassment.

01.12.2020 USA Los Angeles'Boycot Turkey' Written on Felled Trees

After the conflicts in Karabakh, the increasing attacks of racist Armenians in Los Angeles, California state of the United States, became visible in many parts of the city. The words 'Boycot Turkey' were engraved on the remaining trunks of the trees felled in the wooded area.



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