

The Alliance says



STOP SHARIA!

Charter of the Nations rejecting Sharia

Preamble:

We, free organizations and free citizens, who assume all responsibility for our actions; in the name of and for the preservation of the values of freedom, separation of church and state and respect for others, present in the **European Convention of Human Rights**, a cornerstone of our democracies; hereby solemnly denounce the presence and introduction of Sharia law in our territories.

Judgment of February 13, 2003 by the **European Court of Human Rights**(*) of Strasbourg concerning sharia :

The Court concurs in the Chamber's view that **sharia is incompatible with the fundamental principles of democracy**, as set forth in the Convention(**).

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The signatories of the charter refute any accusation of racism or xenophobia. To condemn Sharia is a political and social action, which in no way reflects on the character of individuals or their person. Sharia, which classifies and ranks human beings depending on their religious beliefs or their gender, and declares parts of humanity impure and inferior, amounts to an unacceptable system of religious sexism, racism and xenophobia.

Sharia, which attempts to govern individual and collective behaviours under the threat of spiritual or physical punishment on behalf of a religious belief, is a set of rules which fundamentally violate the constitutional freedoms and human dignity of our citizens, by trying to persuade them to abjure their inalienable rights in favor of a degrading servitude.

We, the undersigned, in light of the fundamental incompatibility between Democracy and Sharia law (1), hereby declare it to be undesirable in our respective countries and call upon all citizens and organizations to support this proclamation and to work together in defense of our fundamental liberties and human dignity.

We commit ourselves to preserve and defend our fellow citizens and our societies from Sharia and to work for its definitive banishment by all means in our possession, within the limits of the law and democratic principles.

We commit ourselves:

+ To promote in our respective countries the passage of laws forbidding the teaching of the rules of sharia as well as the promotion or propagation, public or private, of their individual or collective application as norms of conduct.

+ To promote in our respective countries effective educational, legislative and preventive measures designed to eliminate social practices linked to the application of the rules of sharia

(*) The Grand Chamber of the European Court of Human Rights the supreme authority in making decisions concerning Human Rights; the signatories of the Convention are bound by its decisions.

(**) The European Convention of Human Rights, ratified by the European states has force of law in all the countries of the European Union.

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