

﴿ وَعَدَاللَّهُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ مِنكُرٌ وَعَكِمُواْ الصَّلِحَتِ لِيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اُسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيُمَكِّنَنَّ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِيبَ ارْقَضَىٰ لَمُمْ وَلِيُبَدِّلْنَهُمْ مِنْ بَقْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمَنَاً يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ فِي شَيْعًا وَمَن كَفَرَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ ٱلْفَسِقُونَ ﴾



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## Press Release

## The Liberal Tyranny of Prohibitions Undermines Danish Democracy

Changes to the Public Information Act and the Municipal Power of Attorney, which entered into force on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017, means that "associations whose purposes or behaviour contradict and undermine democracy and fundamental freedoms and human rights ..." should not be able to rent public or municipal venues. As reported by Berlingske on November 14, 2018, the municipality of Copenhagen intends to refuse Hizb ut Tahrir to rent "Nørrebrohallen" with reference to this totalitarian regulation.

The cultural and leisure administration of the municipality wrote in an orientation about the case that it "asserts, following a review of Hizb ut-Tahrir's website and Facebook page, that on these pages, opinions are expressed that are anti-democratic and counteract and in the long term are suitable for undermining democracy and fundamental freedoms and human rights."

Here, one has got to ask: what fragile and crumbling foundation is this democracy and these values build on, since they are undermined by criticism and Islamic opinions?

For years, Hizb ut Tahrir has been a thorn in the eye of Copenhagen politicians whenever the party's open political and cultural events have filled the municipality's sites with interested audiences. The municipality's own lawyers have previously pointed out that it would violate the principle of equality if the municipality rejected Hizb ut Tahrir - a principle that has had to be sacrificed, since no Western principle is sacred in the fight against the call to Islam's thoughts and systems.

This law-regulation is part of the bloated struggle against Islam in this country, led by the government and parliament and trumpeted by willing so-called "free" media. Ministers and prominent politicians rush forward with one crazy and socially undermining proposal after another to appear tough on Muslims and stifle Islamic expressions in a panic-like fear of Islam being normalized and rooted further in this country.

Strict regulations targeting Muslim schools, the Niqab-ban and the criminalization of Islamic expressions, are all initiatives of this struggle. None of the highly praised "values of freedom" escape the butcher-knife in this culturally suicidal campaign to fight Muslim identity and the critical thinking of non-Muslims.

Denmark is ideologically and culturally racing towards the abyss in trying to prevent the spread of the thoughts of Islam. These totalitarian measures are therefore nothing but convulsions from a shaky culture with a contradictory societal system. Politicians claim that they want to protect democracy from Islamic fundamentalism; but the reality is that they, with their tyranny of values, are in the process of burying their liberal values with their own hands.

We, in Hizb ut Tahrir, unreservedly continue our work to protect Muslim identity in Denmark and call non-Muslims to embrace Islam, as we tirelessly continue our work for the return of all of Islam with the establishment of the righteous Caliphate (Khilafah Rashidah) in the Islamic world. The only consequence of the politicians' constant attacks and legislative actions is that they undermine the foundation of their own society and contribute to the strengthening of our thoughts.

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