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Statistics: Anti-Muslim, anti-Jewish and anti-Christian incidents in 2018

HRWF (18.02.2019) – After two years of decrease in 2016 and 2017, the number of anti-Jewish incidents in France increased by 74% in 2018: 541 against 311 in 2017. There were 81 acts of violence and homicide attempts, 102 incidents targeting Jewish places and 358 anti-Jewish threats. In 2018, 824 Jewish sites were subjected to security measures by the police and the military.

In 2018, 100 anti-Muslim incidents were recorded against 121 in 2017, 182 in 2016 and 429 in 2015, the year of the jihadist attempts against the journalists of Charlie Hebdo. It is the lowest number since 2010.

A small increase was recorded concerning anti-Christian incidents: 1063 in 2018 against 1038 in 2017.

The number of racist and xenophobic incidents decreased by 4.2%: 496 in 2018 against 518 in 2017.

These statistics were made public on 12 February by the Minister of the Interior, Christoph Castaner.

Source: Press release of Christophe Castaner and Laurant Nunez (Ministry of the Interior): Lutte contre la haine, la discrimination, le racisme et l'antisémitisme (12 February 2019)

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