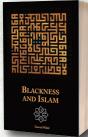
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#### **About Us**

When the Islamic Human Rights Commission (IHRC) was established in 1997, one of its objectives was to disseminate information to further the promotion and support of human rights. To further expand on these aims the IHRC launched it publications arm to continue in order to educate and inform the public. Our publications are separated into three separate imprints:

• Islamic Human Rights Commission: These are IHRC's flagship publications consisting of research done by IHRC. The titles under this imprint reflect the ongoing research at IHRC in recent years, which includes islamopbia in various western countries.

• **IHRC Press** produces a range of titles from differing disciplines and subjects related to the Islamic. This imprint includes books on anything from religion, to history to politics.

• Algorithm aims to publish works that we believe make a significant contribution to the religious, social and political ideas of the modern Muslim world. We hope to present ideas that will help us question the world we live in, and give us the intellectual tools to actively build healthy and vibrant societies. Algorithm focuses on the philosophy of being and non-being and what it means to exist in a chaotic world. It seeks ways to move the world from a state of disorder to order and seeks to establish world justice through a systematic Algorithm of truth.

Below is a selection of titles currently in print.



#### **IHRC Press**

#### The Life And Marriage of Fatimah Al-Zahrah

Luqman Al-Andalusi

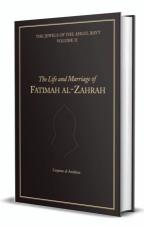
The Jewels of the Ahlul Bayt Volume II.

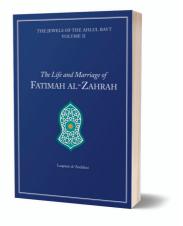
This is the second title in author Lugman Al-Andalusi's series of books detailing the lives of the Household of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). Fatimah al-Zahrah and her beloved family has been a source of inspiration, quidance and succour for countless Muslims throughout the history of Islam. This book hopes to delve into the marriage and personal life of Savvidinah Fatimah and her beloved husband Savvidina Ali ibn AbiTalib. in order to show how and why Muslims benefit from their radiant examples.

The examples set by them and the lessons gained from their lives are meant not only to be read, but also to be implemented within our lives.

By studying their marriage we hope for an improvement in our moral character, our knowledge and wisdom and we hope that this will allow us to also live amongst our family with respect and honour.

So in deference to that love and the command of the Prophet, we board the ship of the Ahl al-Bayt to learn about the blessed lives of Fatimah and Ali.





£9.99 Paperback 134 Pages ISBN: 9781907517013 23 x 15 x 1 cm Published 2017

#### **Special Edition**

Hardcover. In stylised black with gilded edged pages.

£24.99 Hardcover 134 Pages ISBN: 9781907517020 24 x 16 x 1 cm Published 2017

## **Quest for Unity and Other Works**

Imam Achmad Cassiem

The Quest for Unity and other selected works by South African activist and cleric, Imam Achmad Cassiem.

Cassiem is a veteran antiapartheid activist who was imprisoned on Robben Island with Nelson Mandela for two terms, the first of which when he was only seventeen years old. An active member of the Pan African Congress. Cassiem headed Qibla, the Islamic movement that fought apartheid with the many comrades of different movements. In this republishing of some his key works, published towards the end of the apartheid era, both his concerns for the dismantling of apartheid and the unity of humankind as exemplified through Muslim unity are expressed, using Islamic teachings and Qur'anic revelation.

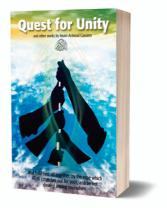
In the main work, 'Quest for Unity' he lambasts the continuing divides amongst Muslims that see them, in his opinion, ally themselves with oppression, through disregard of Qur'anic injunctions to unite. Through the command for unity, Cassiem discusses the concept of justice and a just social order. In 'Ramadhan: The Month of High Intensity Training' Cassiem provides not only access to certain regular supplications and their meaning, but also explains how changing oneself is the first and crucial step on the road to changing the world.

In 'The Intellectual Roots of the Oppressed: Islam's Triumph Over Apartheid' Cassiem argues that the end of the apartheid era is near and cites Islam as the 'lost property' of the Azanians and all oppressed peoples, drawing on his explanation of Islamic justice.

In 'Islam's Triumph Over Apartheid' Cassiem expands on the idea of Ummah. His explanation of the concept centre the Islamic community at the centre of the ongoing struggles against oppression in its many forms including racism, nationalism and dehumanisation.

This book is interesting for many different audiences: from the transnational activist, to the historian of the anti-apartheid struggle and other liberation struggles.

With struggles for liberation still ongoing around the world, Cassiem provides some context for Islamic activism within all of them.



£7.00 Paperback 104 Pages ISBN: 9781907517006 24 x 17 x 1 cm Published 2011

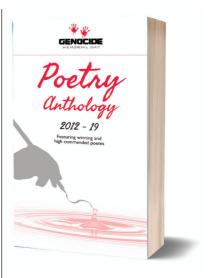
#### Genocide Memorial Day Poetry Anthology 2012 - 2019

Introduction by Ibrahim Sincere and original illustrations by Dawud Kapansa

Whether to memorialise, to inspire a prayer or to learn from, analyse and study, this volume brings much to reflect on, and despite its topic, a glimmer of hope that with increased understanding comes the chance of a better future. This is of interest to those who need a teaching resource on this topic, as well as those who appreciate poetry.

This anthology brings all the entries from winners, runners-up and those highly commended from 2012 - 2019 Genocide Memorial Day poetry competition in one volume. Since its first establishment in 2010, GMD events have taken place across the world, established by different organisations working on their own or as part of both the Universal Justice Network (UJN) and the Decolonial International Network (DIN). Events have taken place in Jerusalem, The Hague, Paris, Brussels, Kuala Lumpur and many other places.

In the UK, running alongside the event itself and the website which provides resources for schools, teachers and activists on the various themes, has been the poetry competition for young people.



£12 Paperback / £5 PDF 48 Pages ISBN: 9781909853058 Digital ISBN: 9781909853065 Publication date: 31 October 2019

## **Mini Maryam** Kosser Abdul Aziz

Welcome to the delightful world of 3 year old Maryam captured and delivered with 6 heart-warming short stories.

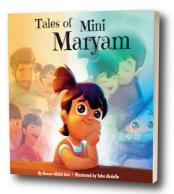
Maryam whizzes around her house collecting and loading almost everything on to her tiny push chair, only to be met with disaster but, is all at loss? No, for Maryam remembers the power of dua (prayer).

What do we say after we have sneezed? Why do

people go on pilgrimage? Can mini Maryam pray with her family? What do we say before we eat? Curious mini Maryam soon finds out.

Join Maryam as she discovers when and why to read certain Islamic prayers and to also keep her family in check!

With fantastic and engaging illustrations by Taha Abdalla.

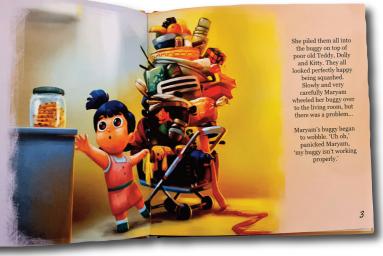


£8.99 Hardcover 22 Pages ISBN: 978-1-909853-07-2 229mm x 229mm Published 2020



Maryam pushed her buggy into the kitchen for a shopping trip, 'Hmmm,' thought Maryam, 'Til need a plate, some spoons, a few glass jars, oven gloves, some bread and some biscuits...'

Maryam began to empty out all the drawers in Mama's kitchen, absolutely everything she could get her small little hands on!







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#### What's Going on Here? US Experiences of Islamophobia between Obama and Trump

By Saied R. Ameli and Saeed A. Khan

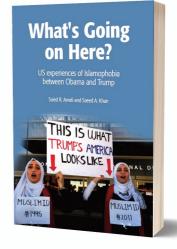
Saied R. Ameli is joined by Saeed A. Khan to overview and analyse Islamophobia and the experiences of Muslims in the USA. Using Ameli's Domination Hate Model of Intercultural Relations (DHMIR) the authors look at developments from the end of the Obama regime to the current Trump administration setting them within the long view of the establishment of the USA.

Following on from the survey findings in California in 2011-12, this book utilises original survey material from Chicagoland in 2014-15.

#### About the authors

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£15 Paperback / £9 PDF 156 pages 253mm x 156mm 978-1-909853-102 paperback 978-1-909853-119 PDF Publication date: 30 June 2020

### The New Colonialism: The American Model of Human Rights

Edited by Arzu Merali and Faisal Bodi

Based on IHRC's conference of the same name, this book presents nine contributions from scholar-activists looking at how human rights as theory and practice have been co-opted by the US as part of a brutal, racist and colonial foreign and domestic policy. This book is a must-read for anyone concerned not just with US double standards but also the adulteration of the ideals of human rights as transformative discourse.

With papers from Saied R. Ameli, Laurens de Rooij, Mary K. Ryan, Saeed A. Khan, Tasneem Chopra, Sandew Hira, Ramon Grosfoguel, Rajeesh Kumar and Sohail Daulatzai.

#### Reviews:

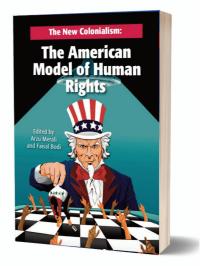
"The promotion of human rights would be deemed a noble, constructive pursuit, ostensibly intended to create and promote universal standards of justice, equality and dignity. But the reality is often misaligned with the rhetoric when in the name of human rights, hegemonic forces seek to dehumanize and devalue societies and peoples.

"This volume explores the American weaponization of human rights, as a discourse and a system of policies, as it institutionalizes racism, injustice and inequality, through the codification and imposition of Eurocentric frames of power that are, in fact, antithetical to both the principles and promise of human rights, i.e. a new expression of colonialism."

- Saeed Khan, Senior Lecturer, Near East & Asian Studies and Global Studies, Wayne State University.

"The New Colonialism: The American Model of Human Rights should be essential reading for those who seek to understand how the promotion of human rights has been a tool for American and Western colonisation of the physical space, cyberspace, and cultural imperialism."

- Mohideen Abdul Kader, Universal Justice Network.



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#### Against Zionism: Jewish Perspectives Conference Proceedings

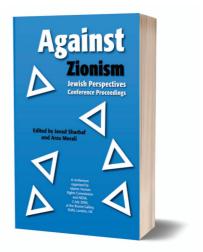
Edited by Arzu Merali and Javad Sharaf

The conference 'Against Zionism: Jewish Perspectives' at the Brunei Gallery, School of Oriental and African Studies. marked a turning point in solidarity and activism for Palestine in civil society. Following on one year after the multi-faith conference 'Towards A New Liberation Theology: Reflections on Palestine' this event marked the continued and deep collaboration between diverse Jewish and Muslim voices.

The papers in this collection come from brave intellectuals, academics, activists, and Rabbis. All of

them continue to challenge the injustices and outright oppression caused by racist, supremacist discourses. Their work remains pertinent at a time when advocacy for justice, especially in support of the Palestinian people, their rights and their aspirations, is being demonised.

This volume is essential reading for those struggling for the dignity and equality of all peoples in making the arguments and connections needed to transform all cultures of hate into ones of mutual respect for diversity, and dignity for all.



£9.99 New Edition Paperback 60 Pages ISBN: 9781903718513 15 x 23 x 1cm Published: July 2018

### Yahudi Perspektifinden Anti-Siyonizm

Against Zionism: Turkish translation Edited by Arzu Merali and Javad Sharaf

The Turkish translation of "Against Zionism: Jewish Perspectives" a compilation of papers presented at the 2006 IHRC conference is now available online.

Burada yayınlanan bildiriler, organizasyonunu İslami İnsan Hakları Komisyonu'nun (IHRC) ve NEDA'nın üstlendiği "Siyonizm'e Karşı Yahudi Perspektifleri Konferansı'nda", Londra Üniversitesi Doğu ve Afrika Çalışmaları Okulu (SOAS)'ın ev sahipliği ile 2 Temmuz 2006 tarihinde Brunei toplantı salonunda sunulmustur. Tüm bildirilerin ses kavıtları "Against Zionism: Jewish Perspectives" adresinden

online olarak dinlenebilir. Yavıncılar, bu kitapcıkta bahsi geçen mevzuların, kritik bir düşüncenin sert elestirilere maruz kaldığı ve marjinalliğe itildiği bir zamanda, verimli tartışmalara ve düsüncelere ilham vermesi umudunu tasımaktadırlar. Bu kitapcıkta calısmaları vavımlananlar ortodoksundan sekülerine. sağcısından solcusuna geniş bir yelpazede birbirinden farklı özgecmislere sahip kimselerdir.

Umuyoruz ki bu çalışma, ezilenlerin dayanışması ve kritik düşünce yolculuğuna başlamak ve devam etmek için bir ilham olur.



£4.99 Paperback 80 pages ISBN: 9781903718414 Published: August 2010

#### Muslim Experiences of Hatred and Discrimination in Germany

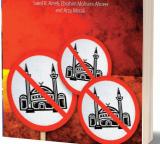
Saied R. Ameli, Ebrahim Mohseni Ahoeei and Arzu Merali

Using the state of the art Domination Hate Model of Intercultural Relations, the authors of this long awaited analysis of Islamophobia in Germany chart the demise of the ideas of citizenship, equality and new Germanness.

The authors argue that Germany is uniquely poised in Europe to lead other nations in good practice or bad. The current situation is veering dangerously to the bad with laws, policies and public rhetoric all imbued with and reproducing Islamophobic narrative and practice.

Alongside analysis, the research sets out a comprehensive set of recommendations looking at media, policing, political narrative, citizenship laws, employment, education and many other aspects of the German state. It also presents fieldwork and statistics based on the DHMIR survey of the experiences of Muslims in Germany.





£9.99 120 pages. PDF ISBN: 978-1-909853-22-5 Publication date 20 May 2021.

#### Political Islamophobia at American Policy Institutes: Battling the Power of Islamic Resistance

Hakimeh Saghaye-Biria

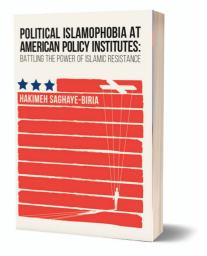
For the last 5 decades the RAND Corporation, the Brookings Institute and the Washington Institute for Near East Policy have focussed on developments in Western Asia ('the Middle East). This focus increased exponentially after the 1979 Islamic Revolution in Iran. They have since produced highly influential policy recommendation on the region but more broadly Islam (as religious and political ideas) and Muslims (as political subjects but also Islamically adherent actors) whether in the region or well beyond. including in minority

situations.

Overviewing these three think tanks' obsession with Islam and Muslims since the Islamic Revolution in Iran in 1979, Saghaye-Biria discusses the implications for Muslim societies of the direction of travel proposed.

This thorough

backgrounder and analysis raises important and challenging questions for Muslim policymakers, political activists and civil society leaders, as well as providing important critique for those studying Islam and politics in the current era.



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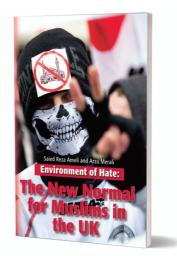
### Environment of Hate: The New Normal for Muslims in the UK

Saied R. Ameli and Arzu Merali

*Environment of Hate: The New Normal for Muslims* in the UK provides shocking insight into the UK as an ever developing 'Stasi state' rife with hatred for the 'suspect' Muslim community. With analysis at every level – from grassroots to institutions – the authors examine the construction of an environment where Muslims are feared and loathed.

The authors have implemented the Domination Hate Model of Intercultural Relations – a critical methodology that argues that hate crimes do not occur in a vacuum. Perpetrators are themselves victim citizens who have been mobilised by structural forces; namely the government and the media. Both perpetrator and victim alike are at the mercy of a broader context of hate policy, hate representation and hate environment.

Taking us back to pre-9/11, the report acknowledges that even then Muslims were seen as exotic, different and a threat to national security. The state is seen as neutral and embodving Britishness and citizens of the state are only defined by their adherence to this specific national identity. Through devoted analysis to the PREVENT strategy and the Channel programme, the authors detail the way surveillance focused specifically on Muslims means they are assumed quilty of terrorism by association. With an overview of headlines in popular media, the report showcases embedded stereotypes and coded discriminatory language. The Muslim minority becomes victim to the social attitudes of the majority - learned through government policy and the media they consume and this is then expressed in acts of hatred, hostility and violence.



£10.00 Paperback 272 Pages ISBN: 9781909853003 23 x 16 x 2 cm Published 2015

This will make very uncomfortable reading; not all will agree with this analysis, but it is painfully clear that physical and verbal violence against Muslims has risen spectacularly in recent years. As the authors make plain, a failure to challenge the attitudes that produce this is to open the door also to the most overt forms of racism and anti-Semitism. What is described here is a serious reproach to our society's most humane ideals and values.

> **Dr. Rowan Williams,** Archbishop of Canterbury 2002-2012

## Only Canadian: The Experience of Hate Moderated Citizenship for Muslims

#### Saied R. Ameli and Arzu Merali

Only Canadian: The Experience of Hate Moderated Differential Citizenship for Muslimsis another work in our series that utilises the Domination Hate Model of Intercultural Relations (DHMIR), this time focusing on Canada. The authors locate the impact of discriminatory and demonised discourses in the experience of citizenship for Muslims. Presenting the findings of fieldwork and articulating the voices of Muslims themselves, Ameli and Merali argue for a reinvention of the idea of a plural society.

Ameli and Merali offer a timely and critical assessment of the Muslim experience in Canada. Drawing upon a national survey of over 400 Muslims, the report highlights that all is not well in the "peaceable kingdom". In fact Ameli and Merali document the glaring contrasts between the Canadian rhetoric of multiculturism and inclusion with the reality of exclusionary practices associated with Islamophobia. This ground-breaking study also provides a

framework for change through a series of sweeping recommendations for popular and political action both from within and beyond the Muslim community.



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#### Dr. Barbara Perry,

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Professor and Associate Dean in the Faculty of Social Science and Humanities at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology in Oshawa, Ontario, Canada.

#### Once Upon a Hatred: Anti-Muslim Experiences in The USA

Saied Reza Ameli, Ebrahim Mohseni Ahooei and Arzu Merali

The third book in the IHRC Experiences of Hostility and Discrimination Project. *Once Upon A Hatred* charts the history of Muslims in the US, their current situation as targets of a gamut of discriminatory laws, and most importantly, the ideas and voices of Muslims themselves. These voices provide not only a moving picture of their experiences, but also a way to move forward for a society that seems trapped in a vicious cycle of anti-minority vilification and violence.

Researching and documenting the

critical first step, which in due time

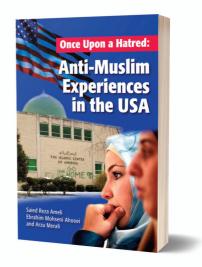
impacts of Islamophobia on the Muslim

community in the US is a much needed

should bring broader awareness to civil

society institutions and policy makers

on how best to remedy the effects of racism and to move toward reclaiming the public arena for voices that speak and practice affirmative inclusiveness. This book is one more brick in an international effort directed at a data driven analysis of Islamophobia and its profound consequences on Muslims



£10.00 Paperback 192 Pages ISBN: 9781903718919 23 x 16 x 1 cm Published 2013



#### Dr. Hatem Bazian,

Director, Islamophobia Research and Documentation Project of the Center for Race and Gender, University of California, Berkeley.

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### **Blackness and Islam**

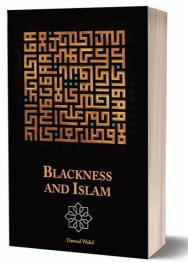
Dawud Walid

Muslims speak of Islam in egalitarian terms: the religion of peace, the religion that seeks to elevate man over his base desires, the religion that does not discriminate based on race and ethnicity. Despite the egalitarian spirit of Islam, the lived reality of many Muslims is very different. and this is most apparent when we observe how Muslims deal with race and ethnicity.

Muslims who are Black in the West, in particular, have found that while Islam may not discriminate based on race, many Muslims do. To make matters worse, some of those Muslims will delve into the Islamic tradition to justify their biases and bigotries, seeing no contradiction between their racism and the Islamic ideals.

This work seeks to clarify and debunk some traditions which support their racist positions and presents short biographies of early Muslims who were Black. The biographies of these great Muslim personalities show us how Blackness was a normal part of life for early Muslims, in sharp contradistinction to modern prejudices against Black folks found in some Muslim communities.

"Imam Dawud Walid's life's work - in his previous publications, in the present volume and over the decade that I have known him - commends him as a soldier against satanic racism and especially its most perfect historical expression: white supremacy. This volume, by framing a religious response to what must be understood as a satanic spiritual attack, should be widely read and taught." -Dr. Rudolph Bilal Ware -Associate Professor of West Africa, Islamic Knowledge & Spirituality



£10 Paperback 143 Pages ISBN: 1909853194 13.97 x 0.97 x 21.59 cm Published March 2021

#### American Exceptionalism, Eurocentrism and Otherisation of Muslims

#### Saied Reza Ameli

American Exceptionalism, Eurocentrism and Otherisation of Muslims is a timely intervention in contemporary debates related to questions of Western oppression and people's liberation. Anybody interested in the past, present and future of the North/South global structures of domination and the responses given by theologies of liberation, this book is a must read.

> American Exceptionalism. Eurocentrism and Otherization of Muslims' is an important contribution to understand the rise of global islamophobia and the difficult moment humanity faces today. Dr.Ameli brings us a profound analysis on the roots of the problem. He takes a long durée perspective to deconstruct major myths of Western modernity by going back to the history of Al-Andalus and the Crusades, to the conquest of the Americas in 1492, the invention of the myth of European origin in Greek civilization in the 18th century. the eurocentric structures of knowledge of the modern world, all the way to the orientalist narratives of the recent "war on terror". But this book is not just about the deconstruction of Western Modernity myths. Dr.Ameli provides a fascinating reconstruction from Islamic sources of concepts of Justice and Ethics as well as Islam's comprehensive contributions to different aspects of human life as solutions to the different problems humanity faces today. This book is a major scholarly contribution in relation to previous literature published on the topic. It is a tour-de-force and a must read for anybody interested in building a new world, a new humanity and a new civilization beyond the present destructive exploitation and domination of Western civilization.



American Exceptionalism, Eurocentrism and Otherisation of Muslims

£20.00 Paperback 448 Pages ISBN: 9781903718490 24 x 17 x 3 cm Published 2017



Ramon Grosfoguel, University of California at Berkeley

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"And what reason have you that you should not fight in the way of Allah and of the weak among the men and the women and the children, (of) those who say: Our Lord! cause us to go forth from this town, whose people are oppressors, and give us from Thee a guardian and give us from Thee a helper." [Qur'an 4:75]

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