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(Spain, 2016: “You will burn like in ‘36”; “The only church that illuminates is a burning church”; desecrated churches and cemeteries; banner against Muslim refugees in a Mosque; anti-Semitic graffiti)

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- “Religious liberty might be supposed to mean that everybody is free to discuss religion. In practice it means that hardly anybody is allowed to mention it.” (G.K. Chesterton, Autobiography)

Introduction

This report is the result of an extensive and thorough investigation, compilation and analysis of those attacks on religious freedom which amount to hate crimes, during 2016, in Spain. It has been prepared by the OLRC: *Observatorio para la libertad religiosa y de conciencia* (Spanish observatory of freedom of religion and conscience). The OLRC’s yearly reports are available on its website (<http://libertadreligiosa.es/>) and are distributed to civil society institutions, international organisations, governmental bodies and other stakeholders.

The OLRC is an association registered in 2006 with the Spanish Ministry of Home Affairs (*Ministerio del Interior*, N. 588984). The OLRC aims to raise awareness about the human and constitutional right to live in society and participate in public life without being attacked, harassed or discriminated on account of ethical or religious views and beliefs. Beside analysing and reporting on attacks on religious freedom, OLRC organises seminars, training sessions and conferences on religious freedom and collaborates with the media and with other similar civil society organisations.

The OLRC is a member of European Dignity Watch and of the Observatory on Intolerance and Discrimination Against Christians in Europe. OLRC has also been collaborating with ODIHR (OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights) for a number of years.

The current state of religious freedom in Spain

Recent OLRC’s reports have been showing a dangerous increase in the number of physical and verbal attacks on believers and on places of worship, as well as in the number of acts of religious discrimination, in Spain. In addition, there is an increasing tendency to justify and even encourage such attacks by a minority of politicians, Government officials and government-funded groups. Not surprisingly, such attempts at justification are often made by those who are openly trying to limit the right to choose religious education, preventing or hindering many centuries’ old public manifestations of popular religiosity, threatening religious leaders with prosecution on account of their freedom of speech and funding numerous anti-religious and overtly offensive demonstrations and events with tax payer’s money. The OLRC is witnessing these developments with a degree of concern.

On a positive note, the recent surge of anti-Muslim and anti-immigration sentiment, which has been witnessed in some European countries, does not seem to have taken

place in Spain, on a large scale. However, as this report shows, there are some sad examples of this tendency in our country, as well.

Although this report tries to follow closely the definition and scope of “hate crimes”, provided by ODIHR, our full report, available in Spanish at OLRC’s website, gives a better account of this worrying and mounting anti-clerical tendency in Spain.

Methodology used in this report

Hate crimes based on religious bias and discrimination are reported and analysed by the OLRC team and its network of volunteers across Spain by means of reliable media sources. These sources include well-known national newspapers such as *El País*, *ABC* or *El Mundo*. Additionally, online newspapers, websites, radio stations, TV news and Twitter, specialized websites such as religionenlibertad.com or webislam.com, as well as with testimonies and pictures (available on demand) taken on site by OLRC’s volunteers and other witnesses are also analysed.

Incidents reported to the OLRC are classified in different sections of this report and analysed in numbered charts, indicating the following information (whenever available) in separate cells: incident, date, time, location, source, name and gender of the victim (where appropriate), name of the perpetrator, crime type, brief description of the incident, bias indicators, status of the case and response of local authorities.

In most cases, the source cells of the report show an internet link or links to the Spanish newspaper or website which originally reported the case. Where the identity of the perpetrator is unknown, it is so indicated. Where the victim is a specific person, his or her name is provided. In other cases, where the threat or aggression has no specific victim, the chart indicates that the victims are, for instance, ministers, religious authorities or the local Christian, Muslim or Jewish community.

This report has been prepared following the guidelines suggested by the ODIHR for its Annual Hate Crime Reporting project (<http://hatecrime.osce.org>). In accordance with ODIHR’s guidelines, this report tries to give a brief but full and accurate account only of the following types of aggressions: homicide, physical violence, damage to property, theft/robbery, arson, vandalism, desecration of graves, attacks against places of worship; threats/threatening behaviour.

The classification of crimes indicated above does not necessary reflect all or any specific provisions of the Spanish Criminal Code or any other legal instruments. Concerning the description of the incident, our reports try to quote the exact words of the reporting newspaper or provide an accurate translation thereof. The bias indicators used are also provided in a list below, as it is necessary to prove that the attack or incident was actually motivated by hatred towards a specific religious community and not simply by economic or any other kind of motivations or factors.

The full and extensive version of this report, which includes an account of many other types of acts of discrimination, as well as other types of behaviour against members of different religions, is only available in Spanish on the OLRC's website. Still, as the full report manifests, the OLRC is positively sure that the number of attacks and discriminatory events against believers is always much higher than the number of cases reported every year and to which the mainstream Spanish media does not normally pay much attention. This is partly due to the limited amount of the OLRC's resources and the limited number of volunteers the OLRC's relies on for information.

Sections in this report

- 1- Physical attacks and violence against individuals
- 2- Attacks against places of worship
- 3- Threats / threatening and humiliating behaviour against religion

Crime typology used for this report

- 1- Homicide
- 2- Physical violence
- 3- Damage to property
- 4- Theft/robbery
- 5- Arson
- 6- Vandalism
- 7- Desecration of graves and especially significant objects of worship
- 8- Attacks against places of worship
- 9- Threats/threatening behaviour
- 10- Other crimes may also be included and described (hate incidents)

Bias indicators used in this report

- 1- Identity of the Victim and Witness Perception
- 2- Comments, Written Statements, Gestures and Graffiti
- 3- Racial, Ethnic, Gender and Cultural Differences
- 4- Organized Hate Group as perpetrator
- 5- Previous Bias Crimes/Incidents against the same victims or against the same places
- 6- Location of the aggression

Section 1: Physical attacks and violence against individuals

Case n. 1

Incident	A Moroccan national attacks a Catholic monk
Date, time, location	2 August 2016, Cartagena
Source	http://www.larazon.es/sociedad/un-fanatico-islamista-agrede-y-amenaza-de-muerte-a-un-misionero-en-murcia-DH13274205#.Ttt1HQxiJhVn3tt
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Catholic Franciscan monk (M)
Crime type	2- Physical violence
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A man of Moroccan origin attacked Fray Job de Jesús, a Catholic monk of the Franciscan order, in the outside area of the cafe in Cartagena, in front of the waiter and other clients. The attacker ostensibly had the intention of ripping off the wooden cross the victim had around his neck
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Gestures

Case n. 2

Incident	Two Muslims are physically attacked and verbally abused
Date, time, location	7 September 2016, Barcelona
Source	https://mundo.sputniknews.com/espana/201609071063317366-espana-niqab/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Muslim couple (M and F)
Crime type	2- Physical violence

Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A pregnant Muslim woman wearing a <i>niqab</i> , her husband and their two children were walking in the streets of Barcelona when two extreme rightist individuals began to insult her. The woman reproached the men for their attitude, following which the attackers began to push the man and kicked the pregnant woman in her womb
Bias indicators	1- Identity and appearance of the victim 3- Racial, ethnic and cultural differences 4- Organized hate group as perpetrator

Case n. 3

Incident	Consecrated hosts are snatched from the priest's hands in the course of the Mass and thrown to the floor
Date, time, location	7 October 2016, Gandía
Source	http://www.revistaeclesia.com/tiran-formas-consagradas-en-plena-misa-en-la-colegiata-de-gandia/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Catholic priest (M) and the local Catholic community
Crime type	4- Theft/robbery 7- Desecration
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Two young women went up to the altar during the celebration of the Mass, took away the chalice from the priest by force and threw the consecrated hosts on the floor
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 2- Gestures 5- Previous incidents in the same places 6- Location

Case n. 4

Incident	Physical aggression against a Catholic priest
Date, time, location	17 November 2016, Madrid

Source	http://infovaticana.com/2016/11/18/agreden-sacerdote-celebra-la-santa-misa-una-parroquia-madrid/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Parish priest (M)
Crime type	2- Physical violence
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A man entered the church (<i>Nuestra Señora de Covadonga</i> , Madrid) during the celebration of the evening Mass and physically attacked the priest at the altar, in front of the congregation
Bias indicators	1- Identity of Victim 6- Location

Section 2: Attacks against places of worship

Case n. 5

Incident	Threatening graffiti found on the walls of a Catholic church
Date, time, location	6 January 2016, Abarán
Source	http://www.laopiniondemurcia.es/municipios/2016/01/06/aparecen-pintadas-alegoricas-comunismo-republica/704141.html#
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	6- Vandalism 8- Attack against place of worship 9- Threats
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The main wall of the Catholic church of <i>San Pablo</i> (Abarán), which had just been refurbished and restored, was soiled with graffiti making reference to communism and the Spanish republic (i.e. with obvious anti-religious connotations), on the day of the town's main religious festivity

Bias indicators	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attack against places of worship
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Case n. 6

Incident	Threatening graffiti found on the walls of a Catholic church
Date, time, location	6 January 2016, Ribeira
Source	http://www.laopiniondemurcia.es/municipios/2016/01/06/aparec-en-pintadas-alegoricas-comunismo-republica/704141.html#
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti with references to communism and the Spanish Civil War (with obvious anti-clerical connotations) was painted on the recently refurbished walls of a local church. This occurred on the day of a religious festivity
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 6- Location

Case n. 7

Incident	Theft and vandalism inside a Catholic church
Date, time, location	25 January 2016, La Coruña
Source	http://www.lavozdeg Galicia.es/noticia/barbanza/ribeira/2016/01/25/roban-iglesia-santa-clara-destrozando-imagen-virgen/00031453735770760302985.htm
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property

	4- Theft 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Unknown individuals broke into the church of <i>Santa Clara</i> (La Coruña), damaging several windows, doors and bolts. They cut and stole the hands of a statue of the Virgin Mary. They then forced the tabernacle open, stole several objects of worship, including consecrated hosts kept inside the chalice, as well as the loudspeakers of the parish
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 6- Location

Case n. 8

Incident	Theft and desecration in a Catholic Church
Date, time, location	1 February 2016, Aes (Puente Viesgo)
Source	http://www.eldiariomontanes.es/bahia-centro-pas/201601/31/entran-robar-iglesias-puente-20160131145918.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 4- Theft 6- Vandalism 7- Desecration 8- Attack against place of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Several objects of cult and worship were stolen from inside a Catholic church. The consecrated hosts from the tabernacle were thrown to the ground and several religious images were broken or damaged
Bias indicators	1- Identity of victim

	6- Location
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Case n. 9

Incident	Offending graffiti on the walls of a Catholic church
Date, time, location	10 February 2016, La Coruña
Source	http://elprogreso.galiciae.com/noticia/502294/aparecen-varias-pintadas-en-la-puerta-de-la-iglesia-de-santa-maria-de-pontes
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti showing a Nazi swastika was found on the walls of a Catholic church
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 6- Location

Case n. 10

Incident	Threatening graffiti found on the walls of a Catholic church
Date, time, location	8 March 2016, Lérida
Source	http://www.actuall.com/laicismo/la-juventudes-de-la-cup-orgullosas-tras-atacar-una-iglesia-en-lerida/ http://infocatolica.com/?t=noticia&cod=26137&utm_medium=twitter&utm_campaign=NoticiasTw&utm_source=infocatolicatw
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Arran (youth group of the CUP, a left-wing party)

Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti was painted by members of the organisation Arran-CUP, which read "Against the attacks of the Church. Together we are stronger". The graffiti were painted on the day of the International Day of Working Women. The perpetrators justified their actions later on, on Twitter, as part of their "feminist struggle"
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 6- Location

Case n. 11

Incident	Offensive graffiti on the walls of a Catholic church
Date, time, location	8 March 2016, Barcelona
Source	http://www.actuall.com/laicismo/atacan-una-parroquia-en-la-barcelona-laicista-de-ada-colau/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The graffiti painted on the walls of the church read: "Fire, save us from the church", accompanied by the anarchist symbol
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 3- Location

Case n. 12

Incident	Theft of valuable religious objects and consecrated hosts
Date, time, location	11 March 2016, Jaén
Source	http://www.ideal.es/jaen/jaen/201604/06/acusan-delito-contra-sentimientos-20160405232614.html

Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	4- Theft 7- Desecration
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	David. J.Z. (name not reported)
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A portable tabernacle (<i>custodia</i>) containing consecrated hosts, was stolen
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim
Response of the local authorities	The suspect was arrested by the police

Case n.13

Incident	Pig bowels and pig blood was left on the site planned for a Muslim Mosque
Date, time, location	15 March 2016, Vitoria
Source	http://www.naiz.eus/eu/actualidad/noticia/20160315/arrojan-tripas-y-sangre-de-cerdo-contr-la-futura-mezquita-de-zabalgana http://www.elcorreo.com/alava/araba/201603/22/sacerdotes-vitoria-atentar-contr-20160322193225.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Muslim community
Crime type	8- Attacks on places of worship 9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Pig bowels and pig blood was left on the site planned for a Muslim Mosque, in order to prevent the construction work
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments and gestures

Case n. 14

Incident	Robbery and desecration in Catholic church
Date, time, location	20 March 2016, Colmenar Viejo
Source	http://www.revistaeclesia.com/misa-desagravio-colmenar-viejo-tras-profanacion-la-eucaristia/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 4- Robbery 7- Desecration
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Unknown individuals broke into a church and stole 8.000 euros of the parish faith-based NGO. They also damaged and forced the tabernacle open and threw all the consecrated hosts on the floor. They did not take the chalices where the hosts were kept (which shows that financial gain was ostensibly not the only motivation of the attackers)
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 6- Location

Case n. 15

Incident	Flares shot against the Central Mosque of Madrid and threatening banners
Date, time, location	23 March 2016, Madrid
Source	http://www.abc.es/espana/madrid/abci-grupo-radical-ultraderecha-ataca-mezquita-m-30-bengalas-201603230749_noticia.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Muslim community
Crime type	6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship

Perpetrator(s) (if known)	<i>Hogar Social de Madrid</i> (commonly linked to the extreme right)
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Flares were shot against a mosque and a banner was displayed which read: "Today, Brussels, tomorrow, Madrid?"
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 6- Location

Case n. 16

Incident	Offensive and threatening anti-Muslim banners were displayed at a local mosque
Date, time, location	23 March 2016, Salamanca
Source	http://www.elnortedecastilla.es/salamanca/201603/23/grupo-extrema-derecha-cuelga-20160323172501.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Muslim community
Crime type	6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	<i>Centro Social y Nacional de Salamanca</i> (group commonly linked to the extreme right)
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Offensive and threatening anti-Muslim banners were displayed at a local mosque. One of the banners said: "Terrorists welcome" and "Yesterday, Paris, today, Brussels, tomorrow, Spain?" (in reference to recent terrorist attacks in Europe).
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 6- Location

Case n. 17

Incident	Graffiti found on the walls of a Catholic church
Date, time, location	24 March 2016, Avilés

Source	http://www.elcomercio.es/aviles/201603/25/pintadas-cuatro-ventanales-iglesia-20160325005333-v.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	For the second time, within two months, the church of <i>Santa María de la Magdalena</i> was covered with several red graffiti
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks on places of worship

Case n. 18

Incident	A statue of Jesus was intentionally damaged, inside a Catholic church
Date, time, location	28 March 2016, Osuna
Source	http://www.larazon.es/religion/en-libertad-las-dos-detenidas-por-danar-el-cristo-en-osuna-GJ12283306#.Ttt1SSufGpaamHa
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 8- Attack against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Two unknown women
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Two unknown women hit the face of a very ancient and valuable statue of Jesus, with a hard object, inside a Catholic church
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 2- Gestures

	6- Location
Status of the case	The two women were arrested and later released, pending trial

Case n. 19

Incident	Threatening graffiti found on the walls of the city's most representative Catholic church
Date, time, location	30 March 2016, Zaragoza
Source	http://www.larazon.es/espana/aparecen-unas-pintadas-anarquistas-en-la-fachada-de-la-basilica-del-pilar-OI12296448#.Ttt1U0xPgscXOD
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	6- Vandalism 8- Attack against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Grffiti with the anarchist symbol was displayed on the walls of the <i>Basílica del Pilar</i> . Next to it, another graffiti read "Free Mónica and Francisco", in clear reference to the man and woman who are now being tried for placing a bomb at the same church, in 2013
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n.20

Incident	Offensive graffiti against local Catholic priest found on walls
Date, time, location	4 April 2016, Hospitalet de Llobregat
Source	http://gaceta.es/noticias/escriben-cura-nazi-parroquia-sacerdote-los-legionarios-04042016-1842
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Custodio Ballester (Catholic priest) (M), local Catholic community
Crime type	8- Attacks against places of worship

	9- Threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti saying "Nazi priest" and "Custodio fascist" appeared on the walls of the Catholic church of the <i>Inmaculada Concepción de L'Hospitalet de Llobregat</i>
Bias indicators	1- Identity of victim 6- Location

Case n. 21

Incident	A mosque was attacked
Date, time, location	12 April 2016, Parla
Source	http://www.abc.es/espana/madrid/abci-detenido-y-catorce-identificados-atacar-mezquitas-madrid-y-parla-201604121105_noticia.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Muslim community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attack on places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	A suspect was identified by the police (name not reported)
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti with <i>Nazi</i> symbols were found on the walls of a mosque, which also was the victim of other kind of intentional damages
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 6- Location
Response of local authorities	The suspect was arrested and released later on, after a judge issued a restraining injunction against him

Case n. 22

Incident	Theft and desecration of consecrated hosts
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Date, time, location	3 May 2016, Huesca
Source	http://www.actuall.com/laicismo/arrojan-por-la-calle-las-hostias-consagradas-de-un-sagrario-robado-en-un-parroquia-de-huesca/ http://infocatolica.com/?t=noticia&cod=26567&utm_medium=twitter&utm_campaign=NoticiasTw&utm_source=infocatolicatw
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	4- Theft 7- Desecration
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The tabernacle of the parish church of <i>El Perpetuo Socorro</i> was stolen. Its consecrated hosts were thrown on the street
Bias indicators	1- Identity of victims 6- Location

Case n.23

Incident	Attempted arson in two Catholic churches
Date, time, location	12 June 2016, Narón
Source	http://www.revistaeclesia.com/comunicado-tras-lamentables-incidentes-en-la-iglesia-santo-estevo-de-sedes-mondonedo-ferrol/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 5- Arson
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Several rubbish containers were set on fire at the entrance of a Catholic church and a chapel (<i>Santo Estevo de Sedes</i> and <i>San Vicenzo de Placente</i> , Narón) and several burning objects were thrown inside the temple

Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 6- Location
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Case n. 24

Incident	Threatening graffiti found in Catholic cathedral
Date, time, location	15 June 2016, Ferrol
Source	http://www.diariodeferrol.com/articulo/ferrol/pintada-concatedral-san-julian-alerta-ataques-templos-comarca/20160614224122157392.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Threatening graffiti was found in a Catholic cathedral, following similar incidents in other places of worship in the area. The graffiti, references to a specific political party were made, which is well known for its harsh criticisms against the Catholic church
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 5- Previous incidents 6- Location

Case n. 25

Incident	Unknown individuals broke into a university chapel and wrote offensive graffiti on its walls
Date, time, location	15 June 2016, Madrid
Source	http://www.elmundo.es/madrid/2016/06/15/57613185ca474115678b458e.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	University Catholic community

Crime type	6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Unknown individuals broke into the chapel of the <i>Universidad Autónoma de Madrid</i> and wrote offensive graffiti on the walls. The graffiti read: "Secular education" and "Free abortion", together with feminists symbols. The floor, walls, benches, the confessional and several religious statues of the chapel were stained with red paint
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 2- Comments 5- Previous incidents 6- Location
Response of local authorities	The police commenced an investigation

Case n. 26

Incident	Unknown individuals broke into a local Catholic shrine and beheaded several religious statues
Date, time, location	15 June 2016, Santa Cruz de Tenerife
Source	http://www.laopinion.es/sucesos/2016/06/14/asaltan-santuario-cabo-blanco-decapitan/681973.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Unknown individuals broke into a local Catholic shrine and beheaded several religious statues
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 6- Location

Case n. 27

Incident	Desecration of 42 tombs in a Catholic cemetery
Date, time, location	10 August 2016, Valencia
Source	http://www.notitarde.com/Mas-de-40-tumbas-profanadas-en-Cementerio-de-Valencia/Valencia/2016/08/11/1015416/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic cemetery
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 7- Desecration 8- Attack against place of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	42 tombs were open between July and August, especially old mausoleums. The municipality stated that they did not rule out anti-religious motivations
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 6- Location

Case n. 28

Incident	A graffiti with an offensive display of a cross was found on the wall of a Catholic church
Date, time, location	14 August 2016, Palencia
Source	http://libertadreligiosa.es/2016/08/31/pintadas-en-iglesias-durante-el-mes-de-agosto/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown

Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti with an offensive display of a cross was found on the wall of a Catholic church
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 2- Comments 6- Location

Case n.29

Incident	Attempt to demolish a religious statue
Date, time, location	29 August 2016, Puerto de Santa María
Source	http://www.lavozdigital.es/cadiz/el-puerto/lvdi-unos-vecinos-evitan-derribo-virgen-marisma-puerto-201608291809_noticia.html?ns_campaign=gs_ms&ns_linkname=boton&ns_mchannel=lavozdigital&ns_source=tw?ns_campaign=gs_ms&ns_linkname=boton&ns_source=tw&ns_mchannel=lavozdigital
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Municipality of Puerto de Santa María (Cádiz)
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The Municipality of <i>Puerto de Santa María</i> had ordered a statue of the Virgin Mary to be demolished but a group of neighbours surrounded the image to prevent the bulldozers from carrying out the order
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 6- Location

Case n. 30

Incident	Offensive graffiti found on the walls of a Catholic church
Date, time, location	7 September 2016, Meneses
Source	http://www.levante-emv.com/horta/2016/09/07/pintadas-satanicas-iglesia-sant-joan/1463742.html

Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	6- Vandalism 8- Attack against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti was found on the walls of a very ancient church, which said: "666" and other symbols with possible satanic connotations
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 6- Location

Case n. 31

Incident	A Catholic church is set on fire by a Moroccan national
Date, time, location	8 September 2016, Fontellas
Source	http://www.noticiasdenavarra.com/2016/09/09/vecinos/tudela-y-ribera/queman-la-imagen-de-la-virgen-del-rosario-dentro-de-la-iglesia-de-fontellas http://gaceta.es/noticias/dejan-libertad-marroqui-provoco-incendio-iglesia-fontellas-12092016-1231
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 5- Arson 8- Attack against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A statue of the Virgin Mary was burnt, together with the altar and a lateral chapel, inside a local church. Beside the meaning of the attack itself, the damaged property was very ancient and artistically valuable
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception

	6- Location
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Case n. 32

Incident	Attempt to set fire to a Catholic church
Date, time, location	13 September 2016, Seville
Source	http://www.religionenlibertad.com/policia-detiene-hombre-que-inicio-incendio--51884.htm
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 5- Arson 8- Attack against place of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	During the celebration of the Mass, a man set fire to the altar cloth of a secondary altar of the <i>Basílica del Gran Poder</i> (Seville)
Bias indicators	1- Identity of victim and witness perception 6- Location
Response of local authorities	The suspect was arrested by the police

Case n. 33

Incident	A Moroccan national attacks a Catholic church
Date, time, location	15 September 2016, Ribaforada
Source	http://infocatolica.com/?t=noticia&cod=27378&utm_medium=twitter&utm_campaign=NoticiasTw&utm_source=infocatolicatw
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 4- Vandalism 8- Attack against places of worship

Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Naoufal El Khayat (Moroccan national known for similar and previous behaviour)
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A Moroccan national broke a cross of the parish church and beheaded the statue of the local patron saint
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 2- Gestures
Status of the case	5- Previous incidents 6- Location

Case n. 34

Incident	Offensive and threatening graffiti found in the surroundings of a mosque
Date, time, location	27 September 2016, Madrid
Source	http://www.elmundo.es/madrid/2016/09/27/57ea953dca47418b628b45c0.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Muslim community
Crime type	6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship 9- Threat
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Offensive and threatening graffiti was found in the surrounding area of the Central Mosque of Madrid. The graffiti was messages such as "Catholic Spain", "We are the sons of the <i>Cid</i> " (Spanish Medieval hero of the wars against the Muslims), "Moors out", "Reconquering-Victory". Several crosses were also drawn in the same area.
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 2- Comments 5- Previous incidents

Case n. 35

Incident	Desecration in a Catholic church
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Date, time, location	17 October 2016, Ocaña
Source	http://www.religionenlibertad.com/profanan-parroquia-ocana-realizan-destrozos-llevan-sagradas-52591.htm
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 7- Desecration 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Several consecrated hosts were stolen from the tabernacle of <i>Santa María de la Asunción de Ocaña</i> (Toledo). Consecrated hosts were also thrown on the floor and multiple very valuable religious statues were intentionally damaged. Several valuable sacred objects of worship were also stolen
Bias indicators	1- Witness perception 6- Location

Case n. 36

Incident	A pig's head and offensive graffiti found in a mosque
Date, time, location	14 November 2016, Vitoria
Source	http://www.webislam.com/noticias/112188-acto-islamofobo-en-una-mezquita-de-vitoria.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Muslim community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A pig's head was left hanging at the door of the Mosque. Subsequently, graffiti was found at the same place, which said: "Allah is Satan. Parasite murderers. Christ the King".

Bias indicators	2- Comments 6- Location
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Case n. 37

Incident	Graffiti found in a Catholic cathedral
Date, time, location	25 November 2016, Granada
Source	http://www.europapress.es/andalucia/noticia-arzobispado-granada-denuncia-pintadas-fachada-catedral-declarada-bic-20161202155004.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti was found on several walls of the Cathedral and Diocesan offices of Granada, harming the centuries old stones
Bias indicators	6- Location
Status of the case	The diocese has filed a complaint with the local police

Case n.38

Incident	Offensive graffiti found in a Catholic church
Date, time, location	1 December 2016, Madrid
Source	http://libertadreligiosa.es/2016/12/01/pintadas-en-una-parroquia-de-madrid/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship

Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti was found at the Church of <i>Nuestra Señora Reina del Cielo</i> , which said: "You will burn in hell"
Bias indicators	2- Comments 6- Location

Case n. 39

Incident	Desecration of several tombs in Catholic cemetery
Date, time, location	3 December 2016, Lliria
Source	http://www.levante-emv.com/comunitat-valenciana/2016/12/04/profanan-cinco-tumbas-dejan-ataudes/1500398.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Several religious niches were forced open and the coffins were dragged out of their tombs. The municipality confirmed that the corpses themselves had not been touched
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 6- Location

Case n.40

Incident	A scene of the Nativity displayed on the street was burnt down
Date, time, location	25 December 2016, Alquería de la Comessa
Source	http://www.levante-emv.com/marina/2016/12/26/destrozan-belen-lalqueria-comessa/1508480.html

Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 5- Arson 6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Two unknown men
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	All the figures of a scene of the Nativity displayed on the street were severely damaged and the image of the baby Jesus was stolen by two young men who fled when they were discovered, in the early hours of Christmas day
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments and gestures 6- Location

Case n. 41

Incident	A statue of the baby Jesus is destroyed inside a Catholic church
Date, time, location	26 December 2016, Linares
Source	http://sevilla.abc.es/andalucia/jaen/sevi-unos-vandalos-decapitan-y-mutilan-nino-jesus-misterio-templo-catolico-linares-jaen-201612262019_noticia.html?ns_campaign=gs_ms&ns_linkname=boton&ns_source=tw&ns_mchannel=abcdesevilla-es
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The statue of the baby Jesus displayed at the shrine of the Virgen de Linarejos was destroyed on Christmas day
Bias indicators	6- Location

Case n. 42

Incident	Anti-Semitic graffiti found in a Jewish synagogue
Date, time, location	28 December 2016, Barcelona
Source	http://www.20minutos.es/noticia/3020518/0/condenado-autor-pintadas-antisemitas-ir-sinagogas-conocer-judios/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Jewish community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	A young man and a young woman (names not given by the press)
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A young couple painted anti-Semitic and Nazi graffiti on the door of a synagogue in Barcelona, with the confessed desire to “humiliate the Jewish people”
Bias indicators	2- Comments 6- Location
Response of local authorities	The young man was tried and convicted of a criminal offense to pay a 500 € fine and take a human rights course

Case n. 43

Incident	A scene of the Nativity displayed on the street is burnt down
Date, time, location	28 December 2016, Motilla del Palancar
Source	http://www.vocesdecuenca.com/web/voces-de-cuenca/-/quemanel-portal-del-belen-municipal-de-motilla-del-palancar
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 5- Arson 6- Vandalism
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown

Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A scene of the Nativity displayed by the Municipality on the street was completely burnt down
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 2- Comments and gestures 6- Location

Section 3: Threats / threatening and humiliating behaviour against religion

Case n. 44

Incident	Death threats against a Catholic bishop
Date, time, location	4 January 2016, Twitter
Source	http://www.elmundo.es/baleares/2016/05/25/5745a50ae5fdeae5b3c8b462d.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Archbishop of Toledo (M)
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behavior
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Loreto Amorós, politician, candidate of " <i>Sobirania per a les Illes</i> "
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Ms Amorós, in reference to certain allegedly sexist comments by the Archbishop of Toledo, twitted the following message: "So, ISIS, Al Qaeda and all those motherf***ers but, these ones, we cannot touch them. A bullet would not be spoiled in your head"
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 45

Incident	Threatening graffiti was found on the walls of a Catholic school
Date, time, location	8 January 2016, Carabanchel

Source	http://www.actuall.com/educacion/el-colegio-vetado-por-carmena-para-la-cabalgata-amanece-repleto-de-pintadas-feministas/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Catholic school and Local Catholic community
Crime type	6- Vandalism 9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Threatening graffiti was found on the walls of a girls-only Catholic school. The school had recently been singled out by the Mayor of Madrid, banning it from participating in the public Christmas parade, after having been accused of sexism. The graffiti was found after this ban and the text accused the school of sexism and discrimination
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 46

Incident	The killing of a Catholic nun is simulated in a play for children
Date, time, location	5 February 2016, Madrid
Source	http://www.elespanol.com/espana/20160205/99990271_0.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Theater company " <i>Desde abajo</i> "
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The killing of a Catholic nun is simulated in a play for children, together with slogans such as "Long live Alka-ETA" (the Basque terrorist group)
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 47

Incident	Anti-Semitic cartoons in a Spanish magazine
Date, time, location	10 February 2016, Spain
Source	http://observatorioantisemitismo.fcje.org/?p=1740
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Jewish community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behavior
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Satiric magazine <i>El Jueves</i>
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Anti-Semitic and offensive cartoons were published in a Spanish satiric magazine

Case n. 48

Incident	Threatening and blasphemous slogans in an official act at the Barcelona town-hall
Date, time, location	15 February 2016, Barcelona
Source	http://www.abc.es/espana/catalunya/abci-pp-abandona-entrega-premios-barcelona-ofensa-padrenuestro-201602152230_noticia.html http://www.telemadrid.es/noticias/nacional/noticia/catolicos-judios-musulmanes-y-evangelicos-unidos-contra-el-padrenuestro-bl
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Dolors Miquel and the Municipality of Barcelona
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A poem titled "Our Mother" was recited by Dolors Miquel during a public act inside the town-hall of Barcelona, organised by the municipality. Some of the verses of the poem read: "Do not allow those sons of bitches to abort love and make war" and "Hallowed be Thy cunt"

Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim and witness perception 2- Comments
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Case n. 49

Incident	A group of pro-Palestine students prevented a conference to be delivered by a Jewish professor
Date, time, location	25 February 2016, Madrid
Source	http://www.abc.es/espana/madrid/abci-boicot-profesor-judio-universidad-autonoma-madrid-201603032327_noticia.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Haim Eshach (M) (Israeli expert in Pedagogy)
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Students from the <i>Universidad Autónoma de Madrid</i>
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A conference on pedagogy organised by the <i>Universidad Autónoma de Madrid</i> , which Haim Eshach was about to deliver, had to be cancelled after a group of pro-Palestine students surrounded the speaker in a threatening way, holding banners and flags in favour of Palestine
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 50

Incident	Threatening anti-Catholic chants at <i>La Complutense University</i> , Madrid
Date, time, location	8 March 2016, Madrid
Source	http://www.actuall.com/laicismo/las-aprendices-de-rita-maestre/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Local student associations: <i>La Caverna</i> and <i>Contrapoder</i>

Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A group of students entered the hall of the Law School at <i>La Complutense</i> University and chanted anti-Catholic slogans such as “Expel the Church from the university!” and “take your rosaries out of our ovaries!”
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n.51

Incident	Offensive and threatening chants during a public demonstration
Date, time, location	8 March 2016, Valencia
Source	http://www.periodistadigital.com/politica/autonomias/2016/03/09/feministas-valencia-ayuntamieto-depilata-gorda-insultos-falleras.shtml
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A group of women chanted anti-Catholic slogans like: “We are going to burn down the Bishops Conference!”, “Rosaries out of our ovaries!”, “Your doctrine, our vagina!”
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 52

Incident	Offensive and threatening propaganda against a planned Mosque
Date, time, location	9 March 2016, Vitoria
Source	http://www.eldiario.es/norte/euskadi/Van-mezquita-barrio-podran-calle_0_492751068.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Muslim community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behavior

Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Several anonymous letters were found inside the letter boxes in a neighbourhood of Vitoria, offensively criticising the planned construction of a Mosque in that neighbourhood with questions such as “Will you children be able to play on the street?”
Bias indicators	1- Witness perception 2- Comments
Response of local authorities	The Municipality has promised to mediate

Case n. 53

Incident	Insults against the Virgin Mary were yelled at a religious procession
Date, time, location	12 March 2016, Pamplona
Source	http://www.actuall.com/laicismo/graves-insultos-a-la-virgen-dolorosa-de-pamplona-durante-su-traslado-a-la-catedral/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Insults against the Virgin Mary during a religious procession. An unknown individual cried from a balcony: “I shit on the Virgin, who is a whore!”
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 54

Incident	The hashtag <i>#stopislam</i> became trending topic
Date, time, location	22 March 2016, Twitter
Source	http://www.telecinco.es/informativos/sociedad/Musulmanes-lamentan-desconocimiento-Islam-stopislam_0_2151450545.html

Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Muslim community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The hashtag <i>#stopislam</i> became trending topic
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 55

Incident	Offensive and threatening graffiti found on the walls of a religious Catholic school
Date, time, location	11 April 2016, Brunete
Source	http://www.lacuartacolumna.com/un-colegio-de-brunete-aparece-con-pintadas-ofensivas-tu-dios-causa-muertos/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Catholic school and local Catholic community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behavior
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Offensive and threatening graffiti was found on the walls of a religious Catholic school. The Graffiti included statements such as "Your God is the cause of deaths" or "Fuck the saints"
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 56

Incident	A judge is pressured to overlook criminally offensive behaviour
Date, time, location	22 April 2016, Seville

Source	http://infovaticana.com/2016/04/22/ayuntamiento-sevilla-presiona-la-justicia-ignore-las-ofensas-los-cristianos/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Investigative judge (F)
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Several parties represented at the Municipality of Seville (PSOE, IU, Podemos)
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The Municipality agreed to urge a woman judge to stop the investigation against several persons who had been indicted in the past for a crime against religious freedom. The judge officially requested help from the State body which supervises the Spanish Judiciary (CGPJ)
Bias indicators	1- Witness perception 2- Comments

Case n. 57

Incident	Several offensive and anti-Semitic tweets
Date, time, location	22 April 2016, Twitter
Source	http://observatorioantisemitismo.fcje.org/?p=1715
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Jewish community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Several offensive and anti-Semitic tweets were sent after a TV program aired about the life of orthodox Jews
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 58

Incident	Anti-Semitic and Nazi graffiti
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Date, time, location	1 May 2016, Castrillo de la Mota
Source	http://www.diariodeburgos.es/noticia/Z818CFAC9-A168-2C6B-3413E8801C908218/20160503/aparecen/pintadas/antisemitas/castrillo/mota/judios
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Jewish community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Graffiti with anti-Semitic and Nazi symbols was found on street signs
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 59

Incident	Threatening graffiti against Catholics
Date, time, location	11 May 2016, Lérida
Source	http://libertadreligiosa.es/2016/05/18/pintada-en-lerida/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	The walls of a shop were covered with a graffiti which read: "The only churches that illuminate are the burning ones" (i.e. common anarchist slogan during the Spanish Civil War)
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments and gestures

Case n. 60

Incident	Organized group blackmails Catholic priests
Date, time, location	29 May 2016, Pamplona
Source	http://www.elespanol.com/espana/20160528/128237311_0.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Several Catholic priests (M) of the diocese of Pamplona
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behavior
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Romanian nationals
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Several parish priests, as well as the Diocese of Pamplona received death threats and were blackmailed in the course of several years, by a group of Romanian nationals. The Romanian nationals extorted thousands of euros from the respective parishes, with the threat of divulging manipulated pictures of the priests as pedophiles
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments
Response of local authorities	Four people were arrested

Case n. 61

Incident	Blasphemous and threatening musical play against Catholics
Date, time, location	13 June 2016, Madrid
Source	http://libertadreligiosa.es/2016/06/13/iglesias-ardiendo-obispos-en-actos-sexuales-en-la-zarzueta-como-esta-madriz/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behavior
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	A musical play called " <i>Cómo está Madriz</i> " (What is going on in Madrid) shows clearly blasphemous and threatening scenes, as well as images of burning churches and people making left-wing gestures (e.g. raising the left fist in the air)

Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments and gestures
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Case n. 62

Incident	Threatening poster against a Spanish bishop
Date, time, location	16 June 2016, Saragossa
Source	http://www.larazon.es/espana/un-cartel-de-las-fiestas-de-zaragoza-guillotina-a-don-juan-carlos-rajoy-y-al-cardenal-canizares-EL12918297#.Ttt1Br9PXYgJ6a0
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Cardinal Cañizares (M) (Catholic Bishop)
Crime type	9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Organizers of "Guillotina Fest"
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Popular festivities in the city of Saragossa (the <i>III Guillotina Festival</i>) were announced with a poster showing a cartoon of a basket and the chopped off head of Cardinal Cañizares, inside
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 63

Incident	Catholic bishop is insulted inside a Church, during the celebration of the Mass
Date, time, location	26 August 2016, Ávila
Source	http://www.levante-emv.com/comunitat-valenciana/2016/08/29/insultan-canizares-durante-misa-avila/1460587.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Cardinal Cañizares (M) (Catholic bishop)
Crime type	6- Vandalism 9- Threats / threatening behaviour

Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	An unknown man interrupted the celebration of the Mass and proffered several insults against the Bishop who was celebrating the ceremony, calling him “Nazi, thief and fascist”, before exiting the church
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments 6- Location

Case n. 64

Incident	Muslim policeman is denied a promotion on religious grounds
Date, time, location	1 September 2016
Source	http://www.webislam.com/articulos/111416-niegan-el-ascenso-a-un-guardia-civil-musulman-bajo-la-excusa-de-anteponer-su-per.html
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	A. B. Abderrahman (M) (name not fully reported)
Crime type	10- Other crimes (discrimination)
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	An experienced and highly qualified Spanish Muslim sergeant of the Spanish <i>Guardia Civil</i> was denied a promotion after passing all the necessary tests. He endured a hostile interview where he was explicitly asked about his religion. The candidate filed a complaint but the vzxice-minister of the <i>Guardia Civil</i> stated that, apparently, there had been no discrimination
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments
Status of the case	No administrative action followed the denial of the promotion

Case n. 65

Incident	A Catholic bishop is harassed on the street by a group of people
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Date, time, location	3 October 2016, Gandía
Source	http://www.actuall.com/laicismo/un-concejal-de-podemos-lidera-un-nuevo-hostigamiento-contr-el-cardenal-canizares/
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Cardinal Cañizares (M) (Catholic bishop)
Crime type	6-Vandalism 9- Threats / threatening behaviour
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Xavier Ródenas and Ángel Martín (elected officials of <i>Podemos</i> , a left-wing party), among other unknown individuals
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Around 20 people harassed and insulted a Catholic bishop and those who were accompanying him in a pastoral visit to the town of Gandía (Valencia). Cries of “Fascists out!” or “Cañizares out of La Safor!” were repeatedly chanted. This anti-religious demonstration had not been authorised (as it is prescribed by the law) and was led by several members of extreme-left parties
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments

Case n. 66

Incident	Blasphemous exhibition in a museum
Date, time, location	30 October 2016, Olot
Source	http://www.huffingtonpost.es/pere-parramon/una-santa-barbuda-por-eje_b_12631226.html?utm_hp_ref=spain
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Local Catholic community
Crime type	8- Attacks against places of worship
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Museo de los Santos de Olot
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	An exhibition in a public museum depicts many pictures of images of a blasphemous nature, including images of Jesus and the saints as transvestites or having sex with each other

Bias indicators	2- Comments and gestures
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Case n. 67

Incident	Threatening graffiti found on the walls of a religious school
Date, time, location	9 November 2016, Madrid
Source	https://twitter.com/moe3mv/status/796634978629128192
Victim(s) involved (number / name)	Catholic school and local Catholic community
Crime type	3- Damage to property 6- Vandalism 9- Threats
Perpetrator(s) (if known)	Unknown
Brief description of incident with bias indicators	Threatening graffiti was found on the walls of a religious Catholic school (<i>Colegio de San José</i> , Vallecas). The graffiti incited to burn down the school and others also said "You will burn like in '36" (clear reference to the anti-religious murders and anti-religious arson during the Spanish Civil War)
Bias indicators	1- Identity of the victim 2- Comments and gestures 6- Location