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## Subtle, but Hostile Invasion of Europe

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Sources: Barnabasfund – [tomorrowworld.org](http://tomorrowworld.org) - Radio Netherlands Worldwide - Telegraph Sign and Sight Europe

### Media and Entertainment

In June this year Rory Bremner said self-censorship was the biggest obstacle today for comedians addressing topical issues due to fears of retribution by extremists. 'When I am writing a sketch about Islam, I'm writing a line and I think, if this goes down badly I'm writing my own death warrant. There are people who will say, 'Not only do I not think that is funny but I'm going to kill you. – and that's chilling.'

Source <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/newstoppers/religion/7828813/Rory-Bremner-afraid-to-joke-about-Islam.html>

Ben Elton the comedian, author and script writer for the BBC said the BBC is fearful of offending Islamists and accused the corporation of being too concerned with political correctness when they do not allow jokes about imams but allow ones about vicars, adding, 'I believe that part of it is due to the genuine fear that the authorities and the communities have about provoking the radical elements of Islam.'

Source <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/uknews/1583631/Ben-Elton-BBC-scared-of-Islam-jokes.html>

The European press were asked, 'Are cartoons of Muhammad permitted?' opinions varied from Germany's, 'The most important thing is to show understanding for other opinions and ways of life,' to Russia 'keenly anticipating Muslim susceptibility and an independent voice of secular reason quickly becomes a provocation.'

Source <http://www.signandsight.com/features/590.html>

- Pray** for more people in the entertainment industry to speak out against positive discrimination and political correctness.
- Pray** for more funding to be available for the development of Christian entertainment, and media resources.
- Pray** for Christians working in the Media to use the talents God has given them to positively influence light entertainment, and highlight Christian perspectives and customs in a secular environment.
- Pray** for the media to take the same approach to Islam as it would to Christianity.
- Pray** for European freedom of press to be upheld.

### Transfer of National Identity

Millions of Turks, Arabs, Algerians and other Muslims have immigrated to Europe seeking employment and a better life. Increasingly the immigrant Muslim population in Europe is growing to the point that Islam is a major cultural and political force. If the current rate of conversion to Islam in France amongst the youth continues, the religion of Islam will be the majority religion in 25 years. French culture, possibly French secularism and liberty, cannot be sustained in the face of such demographic facts. Source <http://www.tomorrowworld.org/cgi-bin/tw/tw-mag.cgi?category=Magazine42&item=1149293702>

German Social Democratic Party politician and bank director Thilo Sarrazin said that Muslim immigration is threatening German culture as Islam submerges his country. Germany's culture is being ruined by large-scale immigration of the past decades. 'The German people and the German state have reached a turning point in history - one whose scale and character is not yet clear to everyone. The German race is, in a quantitative sense on the road to abolishing itself.' He bases his claims on demographic studies showing the native German population shrinking and the immigrant population growing.

Source: <http://www.rnw.nl/english/article/german-wilders-sees-islam-submerging-his-country>

- Pray** for a mighty and powerful Christian revival across secular Europe.
- Pray** for the identity of Europe to be in tune with the Kingdom of God.
- Pray** for Christians living in European countries to find new ways to engage with Muslim groups, pray also for the immigrants to experience a spiritual and social Christian liberation.

### Law and Economics

Since the 1960's large numbers of Muslims have been migrating to the West. The increasing powers of Islamism (political Islam) have strongly affected their communities and radical Muslims are deliberately seeking to create dramatic changes in their host societies. They want Islam to gain social, cultural, economic and political power. In response, the West is gradually changing its structures, laws and customs to suit its Muslim communities. Source: Barnabasfund

- Pray** that Christians in the West would reach out with Christ's love to peoples who have migrated from closed countries and never been told of His sacrifice for them.
- Pray** that there would be no further opportunities made available in any European country for Sharia law to be added to or replace the secular legal systems of Europe.
- Pray** that the 'Sharia compliant' financial services would not be supported by European Banks purely to attract Middle East Oil investments.

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