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Home Office uses Bible passages to justify asylum refusal

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The NSS has criticised the Home Office for citing Bible passages as it refused asylum to a man who converted from Islam to Christianity. [Read More »](#)

NSS criticises Foreign Office for “fetishising” the hijab

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The NSS has criticised the Foreign Office for "fetishising Islamic head coverings" after it encouraged staff to mark 'world hijab day'. [Read More »](#)

“Unacceptable” for Ultra-Orthodox faith schools to shun children with transgender parents, says DfE

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The Department for Education is to investigate faith schools implicated in the ostracisation of children of transgender parents highlighted by a recent family court ruling. [Read More »](#)

UK government criticised for stalling on caste discrimination

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The Government has been criticised for not taking action to tackle caste-based discrimination after a long campaign by anti-caste campaigners to have it specifically recognised under anti-discrimination laws. [Read More »](#)

£400,000 Government scheme to “strengthen” faith organisations in Britain

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The Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) is giving away £400,000 to a religious organisation or consortium, with the purpose of "strengthening" faith groups in the UK. [Read More »](#)

NSS calls for Baroness Warsi - and her post of Minister for Faith - to go

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The refusal of Baroness Warsi, the "Minister for Faith and Communities" to steer the flagship same-sex marriage bill through the House of Lords was condemned today by the National Secular Society. [Read More »](#)

Author of American Government-sponsored religious freedom report says "very aggressive secularism" is rife in Western Europe

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The US-Government sponsored Commission on International Religious Freedom has issued its latest report this week and has come to the conclusion that "aggressive secularism" is rife in Western Europe. [Read More »](#)

Despite secular constitution, Fiji government won't rule out prayer at official functions

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With Fiji set to become a secular state when the new constitution comes into effect, it has been confirmed that "general prayers acceptable to all" will be said in government organised functions. [Read More »](#)

Prime Minister still desperately trying to placate religious bodies

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Prime Minister David Cameron held yet another reception at Downing Street for religious leaders this week, telling them that the Government wants them to stand up and oppose "aggressive secularisation". [Read More »](#)

Pickles wrong to assign a 'Christian ethos' to Britain

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Communities Secretary Eric Pickles has surpassed himself in an opinion piece for the Telegraph headed A Christian ethos strengthens our nation: Religion shaped the modern British state, and

this Government is proud to 'do God'. [Read More »](#)

Eric Pickles' favouring of Christianity risks causing rifts in society

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The Communities Secretary, Eric Pickles – and the Coalition Government as a whole – risks alienating huge swathes of the population of this country with calls to return Christianity to the centre of public life, says the National Secular Society. [Read More »](#)