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The NSS has raised concerns about a potential erosion of rights the nonreligious in the government's proposed 'Bill of Rights'. [Read More »](#)

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Careful balance between religious freedom and other rights must be kept if human rights law is reformed, the NSS has warned. [Read More »](#)

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A United Nations committee has questioned laws which require collective worship in UK schools after the NSS raised the issue. [Read More »](#)

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The NSS has said it's justifiable to restrict communal religious activities during Covid-19 in a submission to a parliamentary committee. [Read More »](#)

## **Pandemic harming freedom from religion in many countries, says report**

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The Covid-19 pandemic has undermined the rights of people who reject religious norms in many countries, according to the latest [Freedom of Thought Report](#) from Humanists International.

This year's edition of the report, an annual assessment on the rights of... [Read More »](#)

## **NSS urges Foreign Office to take up case of anti-veiling protester**

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The NSS has urged the government to take up the case of an Iranian activist who faces a long jail term for protesting against mandatory veiling. [Read More »](#)

## **Parliament set to debate China's persecution of Uighur Muslims**

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Parliament is expected to debate China's persecution of Uighur Muslims after more than 100,000 people signed a petition demanding action on the issue.

The [petition](#), which has amassed 125,000 signatures at the time of writing, calls on the government to impose... [Read More »](#)

## **Mandatory declaration of religion breaches human rights, says NSS**

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The National Secular Society has challenged a requirement that parents in Greece must declare their religion on children's birth certificates in an intervention at the European Court of Human Rights.

In *Papanikolaou v Greece*, the ECHR is considering whether... [Read More »](#)

## **Compulsory RE mustn't indoctrinate, says European Court of Human Rights**

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The European Court of Human Rights has said RE curricula must be conveyed in an "objective" manner after a successful NSS intervention. [Read More »](#)

## **University revokes sultan of Brunei's degree after NSS request**

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The NSS has welcomed a university's revocation of a degree from the sultan of Brunei after his country introduced draconian Islamic laws. [Read More »](#)

## **Strip sultan of Brunei of honours, NSS urges British institutions**

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The NSS has urged British institutions to strip the sultan of Brunei of honours over his kingdom's use of draconian new punishments. [Read More »](#)

## **Brunei introduces death for gay sex and adultery under sharia law**

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Brunei will impose death by stoning to punish gay sex and adultery as it implements a draconian form of Islamic law from next week. [Read More »](#)

## **Experts: persecuted Christians review should have broader focus**

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A United Nations special rapporteur has urged the government to take a broader view of religious freedom in response to a review focusing on Christian persecution.

In an open letter signatories including Dr Ahmed Shaheed, the UN's special rapporteur on freedom... [Read More »](#)

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The NSS is saddened to learn that honorary associate and human rights activist Asma Jahangir has died at the age of 66. [Read More »](#)

## [\*\*European court backs Belgium's ban on face veils\*\*](#)

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The European Court of Human Rights has ruled that Belgium's ban on wearing face veils in public does not violate the European Convention on Human Rights. [Read More »](#)

## [\*\*NSS calls for consistent action on religious persecution\*\*](#)

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The National Secular Society has reiterated the need to defend all victims of religious persecution after a government minister said the UK would focus "in particular" on Christian communities under threat. [Read More »](#)

## [\*\*NSS intervenes at UN Human Rights Council over UK failure to outlaw caste discrimination\*\*](#)

Posted: Mon, 19 Sep 2016

The National Secular Society has spoken out at the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC) to criticise the UK Government over its failure to tackle caste based discrimination, as the UN has repeatedly urged it do. [Read More »](#)

## [\*\*Human rights group warns against global blasphemy law\*\*](#)

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The International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) has warned the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) against pushing once more for a global blasphemy law. [Read More »](#)

## [Queen's Speech: concerns over illiberal Government counter-terror plans](#)

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The National Secular Society has expressed concern over new "anti-extremism" plans announced in the Conservative Government's first Queen's Speech. [Read More »](#)

## [IHEU report reveals extent of global discrimination against non-believers](#)

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The International Humanist and Ethical Union's second annual report on the state of human rights for non-believers, atheists and agnostics around the world has found a global "trend towards targeting 'atheists'." [Read More »](#)

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