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The 2016 report on Antisemitism in France is dedicated to the memory of 23-year-old Ilan Halimi, z'l, a victim of Antisemitic hatred who was held hostage, tortured and killed in 2006, ten years ago.
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SPCJ

SPCJ, the Jewish Community Security Service, was founded in 1980 following the attack in the Rue Copernic in Paris.

SPCJ emerged from the joint determination of CRIF (the Representative Council of Jewish Institutions in France), FSJU (the Jewish United Social Fund), and the French Rabbinate to protect the Jewish community at large. Members of SPCJ's Executive Committee are appointed by these founding institutions. SPCJ's President is Mr. Eric de Rothschild.

SPCJ's existence since the 1980s has been justified by the ongoing terrorist and antisemitic threat in France for the last 36 years. It has become necessary to help the Jewish community flourish, by guaranteeing a free, diverse and satisfying expression of Jewish identity.

SPCJ is an apolitical and not-for-profit organization. Its sole mission is to protect Jewish life in its pluralistic expression.
Madam, Sir,

The eleventh report on Antisemitism, which is presented thanks to the efficient and well-established cooperation between the Interior Ministry and the SPC, shows a significant decrease in racist acts committed in France.

There are various explanations for this remarkable situation; however, it is clearly a result of the significant effort deployed by the police and the French army to protect the French community as much as the Jewish community. We are extremely grateful to them.

These numbers show that the preventive effort developed by the State and by the SPCJ pay off. We are pleased to see that the Inter-Minister Delegation against Racisms, Antisemitism and anti-LGBT hatred (DILCRAH) expands its activities, particularly in the field of education. We wish that this long-term approach significantly reduces the number of discriminatory and racist acts.

While we can be pleased by the decrease, we should not consider that the fight has been won: the number of racist acts remains high. Indeed, early this year, one could sense an increase in threats.

We wish that the positive development of 2016 continues and that all possible resources are brought together with this goal in mind.

Eric de Rothschild
The plan to fight racism and Antisemitism, deemed « a national cause » by President François Hollande, was launched in spring 2015. It has yielded good results, as shown by the SPCJ’s statistics that indicate a significant decrease in Antisemitic acts in 2016.

I would like to pay a tribute to the tireless work of DILCRAH, led until recently by Prefect Gilles Clavreul, and to the SPCJ, which not only monitors and records, but also conducts daily actions to prevent, protect and secure our schools, our places of worship and our congregants.

I would also like to thank law enforcement, particularly those in the Operation Sentinelle who contributed to our security with self-sacrifice and a sense of duty.

On behalf of the Jewish community of France, I would like to express my gratitude to all the people who have become an essential part of our daily life.

These numbers should not be considered a glowing report, but an encouragement to pursue our collective effort, to make sure Antisemitic acts are repressed and punished without compromise, and especially to develop educational initiatives so that our youth learn to know and respect their fellow citizens.

Eleven years ago, Ilan Halimi z’l, to whom this annual report is dedicated, succumbed to the horror of Antisemitism. We will not forget him, just as we nurture the memory of Myriam Monsonego, Arié, Gabriel and Jonathan Sandler, Philippe Braham, Yoann Cohen, Yohav Hattab and François-Michel Saada, as well as all victims of terrorism.

Society has learned through pain and tears about the devastating effects of hatred and violence, but there is today a sign of hope. Hope that we can continue to think, act and live with some insouciance without forgetting anything from the past.

Haim Korsia
The number of attacks of Antisemitic nature has decreased by 12 percent, according to a recent study.

France is the most successful country in fighting this tragic phenomenon, with a 58-percent-decrease compared to 2015.

Two years after the bloodbath at the Hyper Casher supermarket in Vincennes, « a horrific Antisemitic act, » in the words of François Hollande, the Jewish community in France remains in shock.

We will forever remember the names of the four victims who were coldly executed:

Yohan Cohen, 20 years old, a student and employee of the store; Philippe Braham, 45 years old, senior sales executive, brother of the rabbi of the Pantin Synagogue; François-Michel Saada, 64 years old, retired senior executive; Yoav Hattab, 21 years old, son of Benyamin Hattab, Chief Rabbi of Tunis and director of the Jewish day school in Tunis.

We remember that these names engraved in our hearts follow those of the Toulouse victims, who were murdered on 19 March 2012: Myriam Monsonego, 8 years old, Gabriel and Arieh Sandler, 4 and 5 years old, and their father Jonathan, all buried at the Har Hamenuchet cemetery.

We did not forget the torture and murder of Ilan Halimi on 13 February 2006, a heinous act that remains vivid in our memory ten years later. We dedicate this report to him.

Since Toulouse, this barbaric savagery has repeatedly hit our community and our country, in a blind and mad violence that nothing seems able to stop.

To remember means never to surrender to oblivion, which lurks and erodes our society.

For these reasons we continue to honor the memory of the victims of the Shoah, of Ilan Halimi, and of the victims of Toulouse and Vincennes.

So much has changed in two years!

Our country looks differently at terrorism and/or Islamism.

Public opinion, which didn't feel much concern about Ilan Halimi's martyrdom or the murder of the Ozar Hatorah children, became brutally aware of the fact that Jews were not the preferred and exclusive targets of Islamist fanatics. After the terror attacks in January 2015, 3.7 million people walked on France's streets, united in solidarity.

However, as often happens, once emotion has faded tensions resurface and the darkest forces are again at work.

The France that was Charlie, but that was not entirely Hyper Casher, just as it wasn't Ozar Hatorah, doesn't realize that the same story is being repeated since 2012.

We have to remain vigilant!

We must be revolted when a far-right newspaper such as Rivarol organized with impunity in 2016 a dinner during which the notorious Holocaust denier Robert Faurisson received a standing ovation in the presence of the director of Radio Courtoisie.

How not to be disgusted when Alain Soral continues to prosper on the Internet, where he weaves the web of Islamic-Fascists?

How not to be disgusted when Dieudonné continues to perform in theaters, including some famous ones?

How not to be anxious when we are accused of being centered on our community while we denounce such attacks, whether coming from the extreme-right or the extreme-left?
How not to be worried when the National Front gets so close to power?
How not to be revolted when Islamist attacks multiply around the world and follow new operating modes: Nice, Berlin, and (always) Jerusalem?

Despite the exceptional measures taken by Manuel Valls and Bernard Cazeneuve, such as Operation Sentinelle and the Plan to fight Racism and Antisemitism, securing buildings, protecting our houses of worship and our schools, we cannot stop interrogating our place in French society and be tempted to « leave » for Israel or elsewhere.

Antisemitic acts have become clearly banal: a terrorist who kills at point blank a Jewish girl because she is Jewish doesn’t trigger any demonstration or silent rally.

As for us, we continue to fight so that our organized community can develop and thrive wherever it wants and wherever is wishes.

I am proud to say that since 2015, almost no Jewish event has been prevented or cancelled in France because of security concerns.

We undoubtedly owe much to the SPCJ, its professionals and volunteers that do not spare their time and well-being, night and day, winter and summer.

I would like to reiterate that the FSJU (a founding member of SPCJ) and its president will continue to fight for the values of the French Republic, to nurture a regular and constructive relationship with the public authorities, particularly in the area of security.

Ariel Goldmann
I want to tell you all that the fight against Antisemitism is not an easy one.

We must fight all forms of hatred: Hatred for Arabs, for Blacks, for Muslims, for Romas, for homosexuals, and for whites, as well as violence and inequality against women. Conversely, the fight against all these hatreds also includes the fight against Antisemitism.

Each fight is specific; it would be a mistake to ignore differences. However, it is crucial that each individual doesn’t only fight for his/her own community. Fights, just like memories, should not compete with one another.

Let us not fall into the trap set by those who distort these fights, those who want to ban any criticism of religion, those who scream « islamophobia » the minute Islam is mentioned. Indeed, the fight against all forms of hatred is a core element in building a France that is better and expresses greater solidarity.

It is thus essential to go beyond the speech that systematically mirrors Muslims and Jews. We establish parallels, we send them back to back, we try to compensate words about one group with words about another group. This amalgam is unbearable.

Of course, the highest priority is security. New threats have arisen on top of the ones we already face. I am thinking especially of those French citizens who are terrorists for the Islamic State and return; most of them keep their jihadist beliefs and, I have must repeat, we French Jews are a favorite target. Only strong measures can prevent them from doing any more harm. […]

These fights go beyond our individual destinies. Their stake is France. Their stake is liberty, equality and fraternity. Their stake is the love for our country and it is our collective will to pass down to all the children of France a country that they can be proud of and where they are happy.

I am confident that we will triumph, because together, we are France.

Long live democracy, long live the Republic, long live France!

Francis Kalifat
Eighty-four lives were taken away, dozens of wounded people scarred deeply, families haunted forever: this is the terrible human toll after the Islamist attack in Nice on 14 July. Unfortunately, this is neither the product of chance nor the madness of a lone individual. Nobody can ignore the fact that the new barbarians want to destroy our lifestyle and our Republican values.

In spreading death on the French Riviera, a symbol of French « dolce vita », on our National Holiday, the promoters of hatred targeted the spirit and the very existence of the nation of Human Rights, as well as all democracies, which, amid attack after attack, have understood the worldwide threat of Islamism. Islamism enslaves entire populations through terror, fanaticism and educational bans, takes G-d hostage, and uses religion as a pretext.

Do people realize the significant risk they face? Are they politically and intellectually well equipped to combat the perverted discourses and methods from enemies that fight on various fronts, by adapting their strategies and methods? After centuries of wars and horrors, we learned about peace and have courageously placed our bet on democracy. We were educated in the virtues of democracy, and benefited from all of its advantages; we are repulsed by violence, disorder and chaos. We are generously multicultural, and we don’t hesitate to grant, sometimes innocently, the same rights, fraternity, equality and liberty to our worst enemies who, by definition, refuse all of their responsibilities.

Our high moral conscience and our universal social model are honorable, yet they also make us a target of the evil forces facing us, something that our societies have long refused to acknowledge.

Our fear of conflation and our guilty conscience as democrats with a colonial past have encumbered us, and we have lost 10 years in our fight against Islamist terrorism. It is crucial to show terrorists – and the rest of the world – that the choice of democracy is not an admission of weakness, but on the contrary a strength, as long as we are united for the defense of our values.

The dead and the wounded of Nice, Paris, Brussels, Copenhagen, the United States and Israel implore us to urgently come together with zero tolerance against everything that threatens our free and peaceful lifestyle, borne to democratic principles that unite and structure the free world.

Like the United States and Israel, whose population is also targeted by this type of non-conventional warfare, our country has entered into resistance against Islamism, this new plague that denies Human Rights, just as Nazism did in the past. Unless we are blind, all evidence indicates that, if no one opposes them, Islamic fundamentalists will not only attempt to destroy all Jews and the Jewish State, because they are all Antisemites, but also our democratic societies because they are Jihadists and dangerously imperialist.

As a sign of our times, all eyes turn to Israel – a State that patronizing Anti-Zionists regularly delegitimize – for security-related expertise. Until recently, security was the reason to condemn Israel and the Israelis for their rigidity (unjustly judged disproportionate and anti-democratic).
However, in contrast to our own populous and long-established countries, this small and young democratic nation has been threatened since its birth by hostile neighbors. Israel, the only democracy in the Middle East, can teach us a more important lesson than its capacity to defend itself and prevent enemies from destroying it by committing large-scale terror attacks on its soil.

The people of Israel are pragmatic; Israel has been a victim of numerous massacres of innocents throughout its millennia-long history; it cannot afford to lament over the presupposed « hardship » of the perpetrators. This small country – self-confident yet never dominating, which includes parliament members who publicly hope for its downfall – is without doubt a true democracy. More than security, Israel embodies a flawless democracy, a strong rule of law, a State that is sure of its legitimacy and capable of protecting its population and defending its values, like any true democratic society.

Our democratic concept of Humankind and its life in society depends on our determination to implement our ideals and to prioritize action above mere words. If we do not want Nice to be lost in a long litany of martyr cities, we must size up the stakes that Jihadist hatred targets, and adapt our individual behaviors, our collective decisions and our international alliances in order to fight Islamism, defend our lives, our societies, and our democratic values.

Joël Mergui

(From Information Juive n°362)
OUR METHODOLOGY

Who contributes to the census?

After the increase of Antisemitic acts in September 2000, the leaders of the main Jewish organizations tasked the SPCJ to take an official census of Antisemitic acts committed on French soil.

To complete this daunting and rigorous task, SPCJ works closely with the Ministry of Interior’s "Victims Unit." Precise and regular exchanges enable a detailed and reliable monitoring of the situation.

What kind of Antisemitic acts are listed?

The census lists Antisemitic acts that were reported to the police or filed as complaints, and then transmitted to SPCJ. It is strengthened and cross-checked with descriptions from various police precincts in France, and centralized by the Ministry of Interior.

This methodological rigor excludes a number of acts that were reported to SPCJ but not to the police, and are thus absent from official statistics. Furthermore, Antisemitic content that circulates on the Internet is not systematically listed.

The statistical data presented in this report thus offer a reliable lens to outline the main trends, but they cannot give the complete picture of Antisemitic violence in France in 2015.

The Ministry of Interior has defined the following terms:

**ACTS** include **ACTIONS** and **THREATS**

**ACTIONS** include:
- attacks or attempts
- homicides or attempts
- violence
- arson or attempts
- defacing or vandalism

**THREATS** include:
- oral threats, threatening gestures and insults
- flyers and hatemail
- graffiti
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1.1 ASSESSMENT AND ANALYSES

Antisemitism in France in 2016:

- The number of Antisemitic acts that led to filing a complaint declined from 808 in 2015 to 335 in 2016, a 58-percent decrease.

- Rolling out a plan of stationary protection across France via Operation Sentinelle most probably contributed to this significant and rapid decrease.

Intermediate and long-term effects of government-led plans against racism and Antisemitism have raised high expectations for reducing the number of still numerous racist and Antisemitic acts.

- Behind the encouraging numbers, we must highlight the reality on the ground that complements our analysis.

  ➡ Extreme violence and terrorism that targets Jews in France often overshadows «everyday » Antisemitism. Numerous victims of Antisemitic verbal attacks or light violence no longer file a complaint. They have grown accustomed to a phenomenon that has been trivialized. Antisemitism has reached such extreme proportions that « weak instances» of it are no longer denounced, even though they remain serious and inflict terrible consequences.

  ➡ 1 out of 4 racist acts committed in France in 2016 targeted a Jewish person, while Jews represent less than 1 percent of the population.

  ➡ For several years, Antisemitic propaganda and speeches have shifted from old media to the Internet. To this day, a thorough census tabulating calls for Antisemitic hate or violence has not yet been conducted.

  ➡ Growing Anti-Zionism and hatred of Israel act as screens that hide, remove inhibitions and even legitimize Antisemitism. How is it possible to measure and study a phenomenon that must be fought, if the phenomenon is allowed to conceal itself? How can a crime be condoned by another crime?
## 1.2 Recap Chart of Antisemitic Acts Recorded in 2016

Antisemitic acts recorded on French soil from January 1 to December 31, 2016

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* This number is directly correlated to the attack committed on 9 January 2015 at the kosher supermarket in Vincennes, during which 4 people were executed and 25 people held hostages.

Source: Interior Ministry and SPCJ
The number of Antisemitic acts that led to filing a complaint went from 808 in 2015 to 335 in 2016, a 58-percent decrease.

Rolling out a plan of stationary protection across France via Operation Sentinelle most probably contributed to this significant and rapid decrease. Intermediate and long-term effects of government-led plans against racism and Antisemitism have raised high expectations for reducing the number of still numerous racist and Antisemitic acts.

The police record about one Antisemitic act every day.

Extreme violence and terrorism that targets Jews in France often overshadows « everyday » Antisemitism. Numerous victims of Antisemitic verbal attacks or light violence no longer file a complaint. They have grown accustomed to a phenomenon that has been trivialized. Antisemitism has reached such extreme proportions that « weak instances » of it are no longer denounced, even though they remain serious and inflict terrible consequences.

Antisemitic acts that led to filing a complaint in France in 2015 and 2016

source: Interior Ministry and SPCJ
1.4 ANTISEMITIC ACTS RECORDED IN FRANCE FROM 1998 TO 2016

Since the year 2000, the number of Antisemitic acts that led to filing a complaint has varied between 219 (in 2001) and 974 (in 2004). These very high numbers show that Antisemitism is a systemic phenomenon that is now embedded in every day life.

Antisemitic acts recorded in France from 1998 to 2016

source: Interior Ministry and SPCJ
1.5 RACISM AND ANTISEMITISM IN 2016

- One out of three racist acts committed in France in 2016 targeted a Jewish person, while Jews represent less than one percent of the population.

Proportion of Jews within the French population
808 Jews represent less than one percent of the general population in France

![Chart showing the proportion of Jews within the French population](chart)

Proportion of Antisemitic acts within racist acts committed in 2016

![Chart showing the proportion of antisemitic acts within racist acts](chart)
1.6 GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN OF ANTISEMITIC ACTS IN 2016

Some French departments experience chronic Antisemitism.

Breakdown by department* (district) of Antisemitic acts that led to filing a complaint in France in 2015 and 2016

* Only departments that recorded at least 10 Antisemitic acts in 2016 are represented in this chart.

source: Interior Ministry and SPCJ
The five departments with the highest number of Antisemitic acts in 2016

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source: Interior Ministry and SPCJ

The six departments with the highest number of Antisemitic threats in 2016

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source: Interior Ministry and SPCJ
The cities with the highest number of Antisemitic acts in 2016 are Lyon, Marseille, Paris and Strasbourg.

The four cities with the highest number of recorded Antisemitic acts that led to filing a complaint in 2016

source: Interior Ministry and SPCJ
Antisemitic acts in Paris in 2016 that led to filing a complaint: Breakdown by district

Districts of Paris

source: Interior Ministry and SPCJ

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2. SELECTION FROM THE COMPLETE LIST OF ANTISEMITIC ACTS PERPETRATED IN 2016
ACTS

HOMICIDE OR ATTEMPTED HOMICIDE

Monday, 11 January 2016 - MARSEILLE (13009)
A teacher in a Jewish day school, who was wearing a kippa and carrying a prayer book, was attacked by a teenager holding a machette. The attacker claimed to be part of the Islamic State and was determined to « kill a Jew. » The attacker, who was 15 years old at the time, was convicted in a closed hearing on 2nd March 2017 by the juvenile court to a 7-year prison term. In addition the attacker received and 5 years of social and legal supervision for « attempted murder with aggravation, given the specific religious identity of the victim and the perpetrator's in relationship to a terrorist enterprise. »

Friday, 19 August 2016 - STRASBOURG (67000)
A Jewish man in his 60s who was wearing a kippa was attacked by a man with a knife who screamed « Allah Uakbar. » The victim received wounds on the torso and had to undergo two surgeries. The attacker is known for inflicting similar acts dating back to 2010. He was arrested, placed under investigation, and imprisoned.

PHYSICAL VIOLENCE

Friday, 1 January 2016 - PARIS (75005)
A young man wearing a kippa was approached by a group of about 10 people screaming « We are ISIS. » While the victim pushed away an attacker who had just punched him, he was hit with iron bars by others.

Saturday, 9 January 2016 - TOULON (83000)
On his way out of the synagogue, a member of the congregation encountered someone who was simulating with a lighter a phone conversation containing Antisemitic content. As the man came closer to the rabbi, the community member feared a physical attack and tried to intervene. He got punched in the forehead. The attacker left the scene while making further threats.

Wednesday, 13 January 2016 - CHAMPIGNY-SUR-MARNE (94500)
A middle-school student habitually insulted got used to insult another student with such terms: « Jews are so weak that they can be eaten by dogs. » He then kicked him and punched him, while one of his friends filmed the entire whole scene.

Friday, 15 January 2016 - CHELLES (77500)
While chatting with a neighbor in the lobby of their building, a man was attacked by someone who accused him of looking at him. The attacker punched the man in the shoulder, pushed him to the ground, and hit him in the face while saying: « Son of a b****, dirty Jew! » He also filmed the victim.
Monday, 1st February 2016 - PARIS (75016)
A man confronted a teenage girl in the subway, hitting her on the arm and insulting her: « Dirty Jews! You die. I sh** on you. On your Torah, your grandmother, your Talmud. » He then spat at her.

Saturday, 5 March 2016 - PARIS (75012)
On his way to synagogue, a Jewish teenager wearing a kippa was attacked by three teens aged 16 and 17. The first one took him from behind and blocked his arm, calling him « Dirty Jew; » the second one punched him and the third one snatched his kippa. The attackers fled as passers-by were approaching, but one of them turned around, grabbed the victim by the hair, banged his head against a pole, and threatened to find him again.

Wednesday, 9 March 2016 - VILLEMOMBLE (93250)
During the night of 9 March, a Jewish couple was awakened by 5 individuals bearing weapons and knives and who punched. They kept saying: « We want the money, we want the vault. » The victims were tied up, gagged, sequestered and beaten up. While the husband was being beaten, his attacker said: « Jews always money, Palestine, Palestine. » Valuables, jewelry and money were stolen. The wounds left the wife incapacitated for 10 days and her husband for 20. Two complaints were filed.

Friday, 11 March 2016 - SARCELLES (95200)
A couple was attacked as they were coming out of a kosher supermarket. While the husband was loading the groceries in his car trunk, five individuals approached his wife. The husband asked them what they wanted and got punched in the eye as a response. The attacker bore a knuckle-duster. The others attacked the wife, pushing her to snatch her purse. The husband tried twice to protect her and received two more punches from the same individual. The attackers violently pulled the hair of the woman who had fallen, and banged her head against the ground. Both victims were slightly wounded but suffered significant psychological trauma. They were incapacitated for 2 and 3 days.

Monday, 4 April 2016 - PARIS (75017)
Two Jewish women were first attacked verbally by another woman sitting on the same terrace of a coffee shop : « Hitler didn’t do his job well, » « dirty damned people , » « we’re gonna kill you. » The woman then attacked one of the two customers, pulled off her hair and hurt her nape while screaming insults in Arabic and making numerous Nazi gestures.

Friday, 15 April 2016 - LE-PLESSIS-ROBINSON (92350)
A Jewish man asked his colleague to stop singing « Shoananas! » in front of him. The conversation became heated and he was punched. He was incapacitated for three days.

Sunday, 15 May 2016 - PARIS (75017)
As they were sitting on a café terrace, a couple asked two other customers to be less loud. They became the target of Antisemitic insults: “Dirty kike!” “Dirty Jew!” One of the offenders punched the husband and told the wife, “do you want to get beaten as well? Are you the Jew’s wife?”

1 Song by Dieudonné about the Holocaust, for which he was condemned in 2013 for “diffamation, insult, and incitement to racial hatred and discrimination.”
Tuesday, 21 June 2016 - PARIS (75012)
As she was stepping out of a Jewish school after picking up her two daughters, a Jewish woman was followed by an individual, who then snatched her hat and threw it to the ground while screaming in Arabic. The 5-month pregnant victim was shocked, but she was helped by a restaurant owner who scared away the attacker.

Tuesday, 12 July 2016 - CAGNES-SUR-MER (06800)
A young Jewish woman was physically attacked by her neighbor, who wrongfully accused her of having beaten his spouse. “You’re gonna pay for it, dirty Jew!” he said, before punching her twice in the face and pushing her violently against a wall.

Friday, 5 August 2016 - LA QUEUE-EN-BRIE (94510)
As he was repairing a friend’s car in an underground garage, a Jewish man was beaten with an iron bar without any motive. He fell to the ground and heard his attackers run away and one of them say: “I hope you’re gonna croak, dirty Jew.”

Friday, 26 August 2016 - GRENOBLE (38000)
A Jewish man was verbally attacked by a neighbor, who said: “Your sister is a big b**** and you’re a faggot.” When asked to calm down, the neighbor yelled at the man: “Don’t you dare give me orders, motherf****” and hit him twice on the head while insulting him further: “faggot, dirty Jews, dirty son of a b••••.”

Wednesday, 31 August 2016 - PARIS (75017)
A Jewish man was attacked by two individuals who requested his cell phone and his ring engraved with a star of David: “Give me your ring, dirty Jew!” He refused; the two individuals beat him and ran away.

Tuesday, 4 October 2016 - CHÂTILLON (92320)
Eggs were thrown at the gate of the synagogue on the same day an individual threw a beer bottle towards congregants exiting the synagogue, without making any casualties.

Wednesday, 12 October 2016 - MARSEILLE (13011)
An individual was driving fast and very close to a group of congregants on their way to synagogue for Yom Kippur. He threatened them from his car, but nobody was hurt.

Friday, 14 October 2016 - RUEIL-MALMAISON (92500)
A 10-year-old boy was repeatedly attacked by three classmates who punched him and kicked him. One of his attackers showed him a swastika and said: “Since you’re Jewish, you should be exterminated.”

Sunday, 6 November 2016 - STRASBOURG (67000)
On their way back from the synagogue, three Jewish men wearing kippas were attacked by an individual who made Antisemitic comments. The attacker then kicked one man in the legs and punched him in the face. A cyclist intervened and scared the attacker away. The first victim was
transported to the emergencies. Later, a second victim was spat on and a third one was called “dirty Jew!” “son of a b****!” “get out of here, or else.” Three complaints were filed.

The attacker was condemned on 31 May 2017 to a six-months suspended sentence, a probation period that included mandatory therapy, mandatory work and compensation for the victims. The convicted man had to pay €1,000 for damage to the first victim, and €300 to three organizations fighting racism: Licra, SOS Racisme and MRAP.

Thursday, 1st December 2016 - CRÉTEIL (94000)
A Jewish man was challenged by a group of 5 or 6 individuals. He was punched and kicked. During the assault, he heard the Antisemitic insult “Dirty Jew!” multiple times. The victim tried to defend himself but his attackers caught up with him. Eventually, he managed to find refuge in the parking lot of a store, where passers-by called the police and the fire department. His wounds on the head, on the chest and on the legs incapacitated him for 8 days.

Friday, 2 December 2016 - PARIS (75019)
A Jewish man wearing a kippa was insulted and then chased by an individual who punched him and then attacked him with a knife. The wounded victim was hospitalized and underwent surgery on the arm.

Monday, 12 December 2016 - BRUGES (33520)
A wheelchair patient in a hospital was hit by another patient on an electric wheelchair. The victim noticed some wounds on the leg and informed the guard about the incident. To take revenge from being reported, the attacker willingly ran into the victim a second time, hit her in the face and called her “faggot, bitch, dirty Jew!”

Tuesday, 20 December 2016 - PARIS (75019)
A Jewish teenager who was walking with a friend was violently attacked by a group of six people, who first insulted him: “Dirty Jew, come, we need to talk to you.” Understanding that the six individuals were looking for a confrontation, the friend ran to a nearby coffee shop for help. The attackers chased him and beat him. The teenager who wanted to help his friend was thrown to the ground and beaten up. He was incapacitated for three days.
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2.1 SELECTION FROM THE LIST OF ACTS

THREATS

THREATENING WORDS AND GESTURES; INSULTS

Tuesday, 26 January 2016 - LE KREMLIN-BICÊTRE (94270)
A Jewish woman and her 14-year-old son were repeatedly attacked by an Antisemitic neighbor. The neighbor ran into the woman in a shopping center, looked at her aggressively, called her “dirty Jew” and spat at her.

Wednesday, 3 February 2016 - SAINT-MAURICE (94410)
A Jewish man wearing a kippa and reading psalms (Tehillim) on his cell phone was travelling on the RER commuter’s train when his phone was snatched by a passenger who threatened him: “You’re all going to burn in hell,” “I know you feel guilty because you have things to be ashamed of,” “You Jews are bombing Palestinian children,” “dirty Zionists.” etc.

Wednesday, 10 February 2016 - INTERNET
Jérôme Bourbon, director of the Antisemitic newspaper Rivarol, wrote the following post on his Twitter account: “Why are we always defensive when we say: 'I'm not a Fascist, a Nazi, or an Antisemite. Let us be assertive without shame. In a second tweet, he wrote: “Fabius President of the Constitutional Council after Badinter and Debré grandson of a rabbi. The Palais-Royal is occupied territory. In a third tweet, he said: « Finkielkraut at the French Academy, Fabius at the Constitutional Council, A. Klarsfeld at the Council of State. Understood we're not in the Pétain era anymore. The . On l'a compris, on n'est plus au temps de Pétain ». The public prosecutor was informed.

Friday, 25 March 2016 - INTERNET
An individual made Antisemitic comments electronically: “I’m eating a Jews marinated in the oven” or “dear Jewish friends, prevent being attacked, wear a full veil on your kippa.”

Saturday, 26 March 2016 - BORDEAUX (33000)
An individual made twice the Nazi salute in front of the synagogue. He was arrested and admitted his deeds.

Friday, 1st April 2016 - PARIS (75012)
An individual under influence insulted a man and the rabbi as they were exiting the synagogue: “Dirty Jews, I’m going to kill you, I will get you, dirty Jews.”

Saturday, 2 April 2016 - MARSEILLE (13001)
Two people living near the synagogue confronted various congregants and shouted “Dirty Jews, long live Hitler!” “We are going to burn you dirty kikes,” and “We are going to kill you, long live Palestine.”

Monday, 4 April 2016 - LIEUSAINT (77127)
A Jewish student who works part-time in a large supermarket endured months of Antisemitic taunting by his manager: “Don’t kiss S., he’s a Jew and a fag, he gets f***** in the a** on trains in Germany,” “you’re don’t mind cutting pork meat,” “Too bad there’s no train station near you, you could have joined your ilk in the gas chambers,” “you need to repeat things in Hebrew so that he understands.”
Tuesday, 12 April 2016 - STRASBOURG (67000)
During an operation, the surgeon makes Antisemitic comments to his nurse: “If all Jews were like E., we could have killed them with s***.” He added, “We could have made bombs out of shit to kill all Jews, we would have saved on ammunition.” He then threw some of the patient's feces at the nurse and laughed.

Tuesday, 19 April 2016 - PARIS (75019)
A man received three phone calls with threats directed to himself and his family: “You will end like Ilan Halimi, tied up, raped, sequestered, and now you’re gonna take it upon yourselves, bunch of dirty Jews!” A ransom of 20,000 euros was demanded or else “all family members will be bumped off.”

Thursday, 5 May 2016 - LYON (69003)
During the Holocaust Remembrance Day organized by the local Jewish community, two individuals made the “quenelle” gesture [considered Antisemitic] in front of ceremony attendees.

Saturday, 7 May 2016 - PLOUGASNOU (29630)
At the request of a customer, the manager of a bar played a song called “I’m a good Nazi.” Another customer complained, saying he was Jewish and showed his star of David. He was insulted and called “dirty Jew.”

Thursday, 30 June 2016 - INTERNET
On social media, a young person shared a montage of an Israeli flag, a German flag and Hitler’s portrait, with the following Antisemitic comments: “It’s time to be done with these indigenous,” “I’m gona burst them like in the hood and just stick ‘em in the oven.”

Thursday, 14 July 2016 - PARIS (75019)
As they were exiting their garage, a Jewish couple was approached by an individual from the neighborhood who asked to be dropped off at the subway station. Once inside the car, the individual started insulting the couple: “You’re Jewish, you must die, I’m gonna burn your car, your house. We’re not afraid, if we die we go to heaven,” “go back to Israel that's you're country, and I'll burn you there as well with the Jews from Israel,” “We’re not afraid of the police, if you file a complaint, I’ll burn you and even worse…” He then tried to punch the husband but the couple’s dog prevented him and scared him out of the car.

Wednesday, 20 July 2016 - INTERNET
An individual introduced himself on his Facebook status as “Jew hunter” and praised Adolf Hitler.

Thursday, 21 July 2016 - EYSINES (33320)
A Jewish couple was regularly insulted and threatened by their neighbors who called them “dirty race,” “dirty Jews, you should get killed,” “Shut up and go home.” The neighbors also threatened the couple’s baby: “you never take your daughter out, as soon as I see her, I’ll kill her.” A number of complaints were filed.

Tuesday, 26 July 2016 - LIEUSAINT (77127)
A temp worker vented to his colleague and after praising terrorism, said: “I don’t like Blacks or Jews, I’ve already killed two or three with a machete.”

Wednesday, 27 July 2016 - SAINT-MAUR-DES-FOSSES (94100)
Two Jewish children wearing a kippa were insulted by a neighbor as they bicycled on the street.

Monday, 8 August 2016 - MARSEILLE (13000)
Congregants were insulted by a car driver who had stopped by the synagogue: “Bunch of sons of b*******, dirty bastard Jews.” He then drove away.

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Monday, 15 August 2016 - INTERNET
On the Internet, an individual made Antisemitic comments about organ trafficking at the Hospital of Nantes, speaking of a “Jewish conspiracy.”

Friday, 26 August 2016 - INTERNET
A teacher from the Janson-de-Sailly high school had been posting Antisemitic and Holocaust-denying statements on Facebook: “The Holocaust was orchestrated by Jews,” or, about President Hollande, “this Jew who profited from belonging to the community to rise in politics,” “Hollande is a Jew but denies it.” The matter was taken to the Paris prosecutor.

Tuesday, 30 August 2016 - SAINT-DENIS (93200)
Upon bringing the medical certificate of his incapacitated girlfriend, an individual asked the receptionist if “the president of the company was Jewish,” “if she was herself Jewish,” and “if there were many Jews in the staff;” he said “he was a Muslim and that there was nothing better than Islam.” He became aggressive and threatening, “be careful, the building is not secure,” and he repeated numerous times that he was the manager of an international corporation. Two records were submitted to the police log.

Friday, 16 September 2016 - PARIS (75011)
A father and his 28-year-old son, the former wearing a hat and the latter a kippa, were walking to synagogue when they were insulted by three individuals: “We’re going to cut your throats, dirty Jews, Allah akbar,” “Heil Hitler.” The attackers ran away.

Monday, 3 October 2016 - PARIS (75008)
An individual twice approached a group of people that could be identified as Jewish in the Monceau Park, and said: “Bunch of dirty Jews, you’re all gonna die,” and he made the Nazi salute.

Tuesday, 4 October 2016 - PARIS (75004)
An aggressive individual uttered Antisemitic insults and death threats against congregants of a synagogue. He was arrested and held in custody. The same individual came the previous day and insulted police officers on duty.

Tuesday, 8 November 2016 - INTERNET
Numerous messages were received in the inbox of an organization: “The organization… filled with Jewish parasites,” “I’m expecting death, as planned by the Jewish mafias,” “When I see those f***ing Jews that whine over fake dead who live in America under a false identity,” “I think that a living Jew is one too many Jews,” “You’ll notice that in “Ashkenazi” there is the root ‘nazi.’ which refers to Joseph Nazi who is a f***ing Jewish leader whom you had praised during World War !!” Videos of the terror attack in Nice were attached to the emails.

Thursday, 24 November 2016 - FONTENAY-SOUS-BOIS (94120)
As he drove with his windows down by a Jewish school, the passenger mimed and simulated the sound of automatic gunfire aimed at the school.

Friday, 2 December 2016 - GOUSSAINVILLE (95190)
A 16-year-old high school student was insulted and called “dirty Jew” by two individuals on the way between the school and the station. He was also threatened with a knife that had a 10-centimeter-long blade, and managed to escape. He was chased by his attackers, but found refuge in the station.

Sunday, 4 December 2016 - BOULOGNE BILLANCOURT (92100)
A retired couple had been harassed by a neighbor for several years. As she walked out of her house, the wife bumped into him in front of her door, holding a phone. She asked what he was doing there. He answered, “I’m here to beat you up, little dirty Jewess!” He also admitted he was trying to record their conversations behind the door.

Monday, 12 December 2016 - NEUILLY-SUR-SEINE (92200)
A building resident reported the Antisemitic statements regularly made by the guard against the Jewish community: “they pee in the synagogue… they are dirty… we should blow everything up” (pointing at the Jewish community). Sometime earlier, while chatting with another guard, he expressed pleasure at the death of Chief Rabbi Joseph Sitruk. A report was submitted.

Monday, 12 December 2016 - LE HAVRE (76600)
Two unused cartridges of a caliber 38 self-defense weapon were found in the mailbox of a synagogue, in addition to 7 other similar unused cartridges found on the ground under the mailbox.

Monday, 12 December 2016 - AIX-EN-PROVENCE (13090)
An individual approached children of a Jewish school. The mother of a student stood in front of him to block him. The man followed the students to the synagogue and started yelling at the security agent: “OK, so listen carefully, I’m going to come back soon and I’m going to take care of you.” He pointed to the children and added, “you’ll hear about me.”

Friday, 16 December 2016 - LILLE (59000)
While grading copies of mock high school exams, an examiner found the following lines in an exam: “We should also kill all the Hebrews and be suspicious of them, and start by affixing a yellow star on their clothes. They are the cause for most of our problems. Then we could group them in small quarters under surveillance…”

Monday, 26 December 2016 - BESANÇON (25000)
An individual threw a package on the front of the synagogue and shouted “Allah uakbar” before running away. The package only contained paper; it was destroyed by the local bomb-removal experts.

Wednesday, 28 December 2016 - STRASBOURG (67000)
An individual biking along the synagogue threatened and insulted a congregant, saying: “dirty Jews, I’m of the 4th Reich, you’re all going to croak, we are going to burn you and to bump you off.” This individual had already been loitering that morning near the synagogue, and made a Nazi salute to the security guard.

Saturday, 31 December 2016 - PANTIN (93500)
As he walked out of the synagogue with his two children, a man was approached by an individual who raised a knife to the sky and screamed: “Allah Akbar I’m going to cut all your throats off.” The individual walked to a building where he found refuge.
Wednesday, 13 January 2016 - PARIS (75005)
A Jewish community radio received a letter praising the attacks committed in January, as well as death threats: “may a Hitler exterminate you… Jewish sons of b*****... Death to Jews in France.”

Thursday, 14 January 2016 - NANCY (54000)
A Jewish woman received a registered letter at her home address, inviting her to go be cremated at the crematorium in Nancy.

Wednesday, 20 January 2016 - LE KREMLIN-BICÊTRE (94270)
A Jewish woman received the following text message: “If I had belonged to the chosen people, you would have certainly moved your fat a** for my case. You kike bitch. There is only one place for animals like you: Auschwitz.”

Saturday, 30 January 2016 - MÉRIGNAC (33700)
A Jewish woman found in her mail a greeting card with insults and drawings of swastikas and penises.

Tuesday, 23 February 2016 - LYON (69006)
Flyers made of the Charlie Hebdo cover from 2 November 1978, depicting Adolf Hitler with the caption, “At last, it can be said, Hitler really cool,” were dropped at the entrance of the synagogue. On the image, Hitler says: “Hi Kikes, how is it going?” [pun in French on the word “gas”]

Saturday, 5 March 2016 - INTERNET
The day before an event organized by the Jewish community, a threatening message was sent to the organizers: “We’ll be there! With 500 kg of nitrate/fuel in a van, this should be enough to eradicate a good chunk of the Zionist mob.”

Tuesday, 12 April 2016 - INTERNET
A Jewish person received an insulting message that said: “it’s with white-collared rats like you that concentration camps were set up; we’ll turn your nation into a nation of rats, civil war is near…”

Saturday, 7 May 2016 - INTERNET
A Jewish organization received a message containing Antisemitic threats and insults: “You’ll end up in Auschwitz, that’s the only place where you belong, you just deserve to croak, shi*** race… I swear, tomorrow I’m coming with my buddies and we’ll just smash you dirty shi*** vulnerable, impure race, you are all mentally disabled, even genetics proves it, all Jews are sick. If you want to complain, just call me at 09 50 22…”

Saturday, 9 July 2016 - VILLEMOMBLE (93250)
A Jewish couple received in their mailbox a newspaper containing numerous Antisemitic annotations, including the words “STOP JEWS” on the front page. A report was filed.

Tuesday, 1st November 2016 - AULNAY-SOUS-BOIS (93600)
A Jewish man had been receiving texts and mail with Antisemitic death threats, such as “Dirty Jew, you’re gonna croak” written 27 times in a mail dated 1st November.
3. SELECTION FROM THE LIST OF VERDICTS ISSUED IN 2016
Court hearing, 7 January 2016  
Case C. / Recap. — 9 June 2014 - GRIGNY (91350)

Antisemitic graffiti were found on various residence walls. What was written praise the crimes committed by Mohamed Merah and Youssouf Fofana: “Death to the Jew!” F*** the Jews! “Big up Merah,” and “Free Fofana.”

*The author of these graffiti was sentenced to six months in jail without parole.*

*Case pleaded by an SPCJ lawyer.*

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Court hearing, 1st February 2016  
Case B. / Recap. — 15 July 2014 - INTERNET

A Jewish man received death threats and Antisemitic insults, as did both his niece and brother on Facebook. A third-party outsider posted the following: “I’d like to smash your face, dirty kike! I’m the Arab Hitler!” “I hate your race, sons of b*****! We’ll stamp your wives and your children with our feet on the ground and we’ll even burn your blood.”

*The author of the postings was sentenced to three months in prison without parole and ordered to pay €500 in damages to the victim.*

*Case pleaded by an SPCJ lawyer.*

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Court hearing, 9 February 2016  
Case B. / Recap. — 8 June 2012 - SARCELLES (95200)

When walking past three individuals with his friends, a Jewish teenager was insulted: “Shut your mouth, dirty Jew!” and then slapped. The teenager defended himself, but one of the attackers held him by the neck while the other two kicked him and punched him in the head and throughout his body. The fire department intervened. The victim was incapacitated for three days. Two attackers were arrested, and placed under custody and legal supervision on 10 June 2012.

*One of the attackers, a minor, was condemned by the Juvenile court to a two-month suspended sentence and had to pay €1000 for damage.*

*Case pleaded by an SPCJ lawyer.*
Court hearing, 21 June 2016
Case L. / Recap. — 1st October 2014 - GRENOBLE (38000)

A Jewish woman was attacked by a neighbor, who grabbed her by the neck, shook her, threatened her and spat at her multiple times. The victim was threatened and insulted: “You Jews, you have money, you will burn in hell, we'll take all your money, I’m going to burn you,” “You’ll see what I’ll do to you and your child, the Jewish community, you have money.” The woman managed to escape with her child in the stroller, and alerted her husband. The neighbor went home, but continued to scream “Go f*** yourselves.” The woman was incapacitated for two days.

The defendant was discharged.

Case pleaded by an SPCJ lawyer.

Court hearing, 21 June 2016
Case W. / Recap. — 7 May 2014 - SAINT LOUIS (68000)

A car owned by a Jewish community member was defaced with two swastikas and a crossed out star of David on the back left and front passenger doors, as well as on the hood.

The three minor defendants were condemned to
- a 4-month suspended sentence with a 2-year probation, Additionally, they were required to attend a class and compensate the victims, to be followed by therapist visits and a suspended €100 fine for the first defendant;
- a suspended €300 fine for the other two.

Case pleaded by an SPCJ lawyer.

Court hearing, 10 October 2016
Case O. / Recap. — 12 April 2016 - STRASBOURG (67000)

During an operation, the surgeon makes Antisemitic comments to his nurse: “If all Jews were like E., we could have killed them with s***.” He added, “We could have made bombs out of shit to kill all Jews, we would have saved on ammunition.” He then threw some of the patient’s feces at the nurse and laughed.

The surgeon – who is currently suspended – was found guilty, fined €1000, and required to pay €600 in damages to the victim.

Case pleaded by an SPCJ lawyer.
Decision by the prosecutor  
Case A. / Recap. — 10 March 2015 - MARSEILLE (13010)  

Two 12-year-old minors wearing kippas were verbally and physically attacked by two teenagers who made Antisemitic statements: “Dirty Jews, we’re going to exterminate you all, we’re all gonna f*** you,” “give us everything you have, dirty Jews.” One of the minors was punched in the face and kicked in the ribs, legs and back. Light wounds on the face, on the right elbow and on the left knee were recorded. Two complaints were filed.  

*The complaint was dismissed by the prosecutor.*

Decision by the prosecutor  
Case B. / Recap. — 7 November 2015 - PARIS (75020)  

A Jewish woman was insulted by a member of the managing real estate company: “Dirty Jew!” “the same will happen to you as in Israel with knives.” She had already been a target of such statements, which she previously reported.  

*The complaint was dismissed by the prosecutor.*

Decision by the prosecutor  
Case C. / Recap. — 7 February 2016 - INTERNET  

Antisemitic statements were made on the Internet, following a video of Elie Semoun and Dieudonné: “Death to the Zionists, hell with the Zionists, let the Zionists croak like the dogs they are burning.” After commenting, an Internet user received a message on his Facebook account: “we’ve pre-heated the oven at 500 degrees for your son of a b**** and his Arab head.”  

*The complaint was dismissed by the prosecutor.*

Court hearing, 21 June 2016  
Case L. / Recap. — 1st October 2014 - GRENOBLE (38000)  

A Jewish woman was attacked by a neighbor, who grabbed her by the neck, shook her, threatened her and spat at her multiple times. The victim was threatened and insulted: “You Jews, you have money, you will burn in hell, we’ll take all your money, I’m going to burn you,” “You’ll see what I’ll do to you and your child, the Jewish community, you have money.” The woman managed to escape with her child in the stroller and to alert her husband. The neighbor went home, but continued to scream “Go f*** yourselves.” The woman was incapacitated for two days.  

*The defendant was discharged.*  

*Case pleaded by an SPCJ lawyer.*  
Court hearing, 21 June 2016
ANTISEMITISM IN FRANCE IN 2016

3.1 EXCERPTS FROM THE LIST OF VERDICTS

Case W. / Recap. — 7 May 2014 - SAINT LOUIS (68000)

A car owned by a Jewish community member was tagged with two swastikas and a crossed out star of David on the back left and front passenger doors, as well as on the hood. The three minor defendant were condemned to
- a 4-month suspended sentence with a 2-year probation, the obligation to take a class, to indemnise the victims, to be followed by a therapist and a suspended €100 fine for the first defendant;
- a suspended €300 fine for the other two.

Case pleading by an SPCJ lawyer.

Court hearing, 10 October 2016
Case O. / Recap. — 12 April 2016 - STRASBOURG (67000)

During an operation, the surgeon makes Antisemitic comments to his nurse: “If all Jews were like E., we could have killed them with s***.” He added, “We could have made bombs out of shit to kill all Jews, we would have saved on ammunition.” He then threw some of the patient’s feces at the nurse and laughed.

The surgeon – who is currently suspended – was found guilty and condemned to a €1000 fine and to pay €600 as damage to the victim.

Case pleading by an SPCJ lawyer.

Decision by the prosecutor
Case A. / Recap. — 10 March 2015 - MARSEILLE (13010)

Two 12-year-old minors wearing kippas were verbally and physically attacked by two teenagers who made Antisemitic statements: “Dirty Jews, we’re going to exterminate you all, we’re all gonna f*** you,” “give us everything you have, dirty Jews.” One of the minors was punched in the face and kicked in the ribs, legs and back. Light wounds on the face, on the right elbow and on the left knee were recorded. Two complaints were filed.

The complaint was dismissed by the prosecutor.

Decision by the prosecutor
Case B. / Recap. — 7 November 2015 - PARIS (75020)

A Jewish woman was insulted by a member of the managing real estate company: “Dirty Jew!” “the same will happen to you as in Israel with knives.” She had already been a target of such statements, which she had reported.

The complaint was dismissed by the prosecutor.
Decision by the prosecutor
Case C. / Recap. — 7 February 2016 - INTERNET

Antisemitic statements were made on the Internet, after a video of Elie Semoun and Dieudonné: “Death to the Zionists, hell with the Zionists, let the Zionists croak like the dogs they are burning.” After commenting, an Internet user received a message on his Facebook account: “we’ve pre-heated the oven at 500 degrees for your son of a b**** and his Arab head.”

The complaint was dismissed by the prosecutor.
4. ILAN HALIMI, TEN YEARS LATER

Tortured and killed because he was Jewish, “thus rich” by the staff
L’internaute (21/01/2016)
Ilan Halimi (z’l)
1982 – 2006
TORTURED AND KILLED BECAUSE HE WAS JEWISH, “THUS RICH”

BY THE STAFF
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Ten years ago, Ilan Halimi’s calvary began. This young Jewish man was murdered by the gang of the barbarians.

On 20 January 2006, Ilan Halimi’s calvary began. This 23-year-old French Jewish man worked in a Parisian store; he was kidnapped by a group of men after being lured by a woman. Taken to Bagneux, in the south of Paris, he was sequestered in the basement of a high-rise building, tortured for more than three weeks, and eventually found naked, gagged and handcuffed and in agony by the rail tracks of the RER C commuter train. He died during his transfer to the hospital. The motive for this extremely violent attack and this murder are disarmingly simple: Ilan Halimi suffered torture because he was Jewish, thus “rich” in the minds of his attackers. Those who were later called “the gang of the barbarians,” led by Youssouf Fofana, explained that to be Jewish means having money. A 450,000-euro ransom was demanded from the victim’s family, which received sordid photos and audio recordings to acquiesce. The family was unable to collect the amount.

The gang leader, Youssouf Fofana, was arrested in the Ivory Coast on the night of 22 February, and extradited to France. After his 2009 trial, widely covered by the media, he received a life sentence with a mandatory 22-year jail term. During his trial, he provoked the judges by shouting “Allahu Akbar” when asked for his name, and by describing himself as an “Arab, African, Islamist, Salafist.” He has since twice been convicted for assaulting his guards in prison. The sheer scope of the case was especially striking. Besides Youssouf Fofana, 23 other defendants were convicted by the juvenile criminal court in Paris. All of them were to varying degrees directly involved with Fofana’s Antisemitic ideology and brutality.

After a period of caution, during which the case was not immediately labeled as Antisemitic, the Ilan Halimi affair triggered a wave of emotion in France, and the Jewish community became increasingly concerned. Since this murder, other tragedies have occurred: the crimes committed by Mohamed Merah in Toulouse in 2012, the massacre perpetrated by Amedy Coulibaly at the Hyper Casher supermarket in Vincennes in January 2015, as well as the sequestration and assault of a young Jewish couple at their home in Créteil in December 2014, and the attack on a Jewish teacher by a teenager in Marseille in January 2016.

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