

PREFACE

"This Report is a study in the power of words to maim, and what it is a civilized society can do about it. Not every abuse of human communication can or should be controlled by the law or custom. But every society from time to time draws lines at the point where the intolerable and the impermissible coincide. In a free society such as our own, where the privilege of speech can induce ideas that may change the very order itself, there is a bias weighted heavily in favor of the maximum of rhetoric whatever the cost and consequences. But that bias stops this side of injury to the community itself and to individual members of identifiable groups innocently caught in verbal crossfire that goes beyond legitimate debate.

An effort is made here to re-examine, therefore, the parameters of permissible argument in a world more easily persuaded than before because the means of transmission are so persuasive. But ours is a world aware of the perils of falsehood disguised as fact and of conspirators eroding the community's integrity through pretending that conspiracies from elsewhere now justify verbal assaults – the nonfactors and the nontruths of prejudice and slander.

Hate is as old as man and doubtless as durable. This Report explores what it is the community can do to lessen some of man's intolerance and to proscribe its gross exploitation."

Preface to the Report of the Special Committee on Hate Propaganda (Bill 3-C, House of Commons of Canada, An Act to Amend the Criminal Code)

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"You God Damned, stinken, filthy, black skinned monkeys do not belong among an (*sic*) White Human Society. You shit colored animals will eventually be phased out. In plain English – eliminated."

KKK

Mr. X frequents Y Restaurant twice each month. Each time he enters the restaurant, he is greeted: "Hello Little Black Sambo." None of the White patrons of this restaurant are the brunt of insulting characterizations by the owner. Mr. X is Black; the owner is White. Most of the other patrons who visit the restaurant are White. All other Black patrons are greeted with the same salutation.

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"The entire creation of Allah (God) is of peace, not including the devils who are not the creation of Allah (God) but a race created by an enemy (Yakub) of Allah. Yakub rebelled against Allah and the righteous people and was cast out of the homes of the righteous into the worst part of our planet to live their way of life until the fixed day of their doom.

These enemies of Allah (God) are known at the present as the white race or European race, who are the sole people responsible for misleading nine-tenths of the total population of the black nation.

The Yacub-made devils were really pale white, with really blue eyes; which we think are the ugliest of colors for a human eye. They were called Caucasian – which means, according to some of the Arab scholars, "One whose evil effect is not confined to one's self alone, but affects others."

There was no good taught to them while on the Island. By teaching the nurses to kill the black baby and save the brown baby, so as to graft the white out of it; by lying to the black mother of the baby, this lie was born into the very nature of the white baby; and, murder for the black people also born in them – or made by nature a liar and murderer."

Elijah Muhammad

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"All Blacks want is sex, loose shoes, and a warm place to shit."

Earl Butz