

Dear member of the Petitions Committee,

Regarding the petition: "We the British People Request a Public Inquiry into Grooming Gangs":

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/327566>

Please see the attached document, "Rape Gangs Are Indeed Islamic" which may assist you with the discussions. It carefully examines the root cause of the behaviour, and suggests a strategy for addressing the problem.

The grooming gang members, though not having completely the same characteristics as the perpetrators of terrorism, might benefit from the anti-terrorism Deradicalisation Programme. That someone from this community may outwardly appear to be secular (drinking alcohol, eating bacon, behaving uncleanly etc.), can in fact be a very bad sign. For a member of this religious community who has fallen short of the high standard required, for them to subsequently find favour with Allah it would require radical actions. As they see it, martyrdom while *fighting for the cause of Allah* will have become their least bad option. The sacrifice of martyrdom, they believe, would completely wipe out other sins.

In order to assist with deradicalisation, a special edition of the Koran is available: *The Peace Koran*. It is well known that the verses in the Koran that lead to radicalisation and Islamist attacks were revealed to Mohammed during the Medinan period. This special Koran edition omits that troublesome section, and focuses on the generally more spiritual Meccan period. It should be given to those who have been radicalised, particularly when they are held in prison, in preference to the conventional Korans which retain the verses commanding violence and terrorism. We should at least try this approach, although nothing short of abandoning Islam altogether will entirely solve the problem. This approach may however be at least a positive step towards a more tolerant attitude, encouraging them to abandon their religious hatreds.

It may well be helpful to also give *The Peace Koran* to the grooming gang members who are in prison. The key Koranic verses that permit sex slavery, i.e., permitting grooming gang behaviour also, are predominantly from the Medinan revelations. The removed sex slavery verses are: Koran 4:3, Koran 4:24-25, Koran 33:50 .

The Peace Koran is available here:

<https://www.lulu.com/en/gb/shop/mm-pickthall/the-peace-koran/paperback/product-9wg8py.html>

I hope that my contribution is helpful for your debate, scheduled for the 3rd February 2021.

Yours faithfully,

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