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13 500 TO 30 000 PEOPLE MARCHED PEACEFULLY IN PARIS AGAINST ISLAMOPHOBIA

MELENCHON FRENCH FAR RIGHT ATTENDED

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USPA NEWS - At the call of several political representatives, multiple events are organized in France this Sunday, November 10 to protest against Islamophobia. A march started this Sunday in Toulouse. It brings together about 13,500 people, according to official figures. The count was carried out by an independent firm, against a backdrop of controversy within the political class as to the participants in this march. The call to protest was launched on 1 November in the daily "Liberation", four days after the attack on a mosque in Bayonne and against a backdrop of tension over the wearing of the veil and secularism. The initial message was to say "STOP Islamophobia", the "growing stigmatization" of Muslims, victims of "discrimination" and "aggression". Numerous political personalities essentially of the extreme left have protested, head of cortege, among which Jean-Luc Melenchon, leader of the France Insoumise.

THE MUSLIMS OF FRANCE FEEL STIGMATISED AND DENOUNCE AMALGAM ISLAM AND ISLAMISM

"We hear everything and anything about Islam and veiled women today, we try to stigmatize Muslims, to put them away from society," assured this young female engineer in the automobile. In Marseille, a few hundred people - Muslim families, but also trade unionists and left-wing activists - were also gathered Sunday afternoon door of Aix under signs "Islamophobia kills". The crowd chanted "we are all children of the Republic". Claudine Rodinson, a 76-year-old retiree who has come with a handful of Labor Lutheran activists, does not understand those who have "lost their dignity" on the left. "There is a scandalous propaganda against Muslims, an amalgam of terrorism and Islam," she denounces. Source: LCI The journalist, Muslim, Taha Bouhafs, judges this movement "Historic", and enthused one of the initiators of the march, posting a video showing the crowd very compact protesters, above which were brandished placards and flags French. Four hundred (400) personalities, including journalists, artists, intellectuals, syndicalists, celebrities, have signed the manifesto against Islamophobia.

FEW POLITICAL PERSONALITIES IN THE CORTEGE-----

Since the call to protest, the political class is quite divided about « Islamphobia". Indeed several personalities of the French Far Left (LFI), like Jean-Luc Melenchon, the leader and Clementine Autain, Danièle Obono, Eric Coquerel. (Excluding PRG and PS, which announced to work to organize a future demonstration against racism). Indeed, they explain "confuse some people with the value of the cause that is served". Communists, like, Ian Brossat, spokesman of the PCF, who thinks that "there is a climate of hatred against Muslims". "We can not stand idle," he added, castigating attacks by the President of the National Assembly. On the extreme right side, Marine Le Pen, leader of National Rally RN had indeed estimated Saturday that it was a demonstration "hand in hand with the Islamists". Several members of the government, including Secretary of State for Youth, Gabriel Attal, oppose this rally, described as "unbearable" "France Insoumise and executives of EELV are caught in the pot of jam clientelist and communitarian," he denounced.

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