Towards the Carving of Islamic Space in ‘the West’

Since the early 1970s, Western Europeans and North Americans have demonstrated increasing concern over the latest chapter in the Western encounter with Muslims. This concern is rooted in the current pattern of human migration from South to North and from East to West, with the potential of altering the ethnic and religious composition of European and American societies. For many, it increases significantly their fear of losing some, if not all, the values and traditions they cherish. Some fear, their democratic and capitalist traditions, as well as liberal social values. To those in the West who believe in the purity of race, civilization, or culture, or in a supersessionist ‘Western’ worldview, the movement of people is a menacing threat to their cherished ideals of a homogeneous Western society. For many, it increases significantly the fear of losing some, if not all, their cultural values and traditions.

The Muslim encounter with the West is an ongoing phenomenon. This can be identified by the increasing numbers of Muslims migrating to Europe in recent decades. In 1980, there were about 1.5 million Muslims living in the West. The majority of these Muslims were immigrants who came from countries in the Middle East and North Africa. In the 1990s, there were about 4 million Muslims living in the West. The majority of these Muslims were the children or grandchildren of immigrants who came from countries in the Middle East and North Africa. In 2000, there were about 8 million Muslims living in the West. The majority of these Muslims were the children or grandchildren of immigrants who came from countries in the Middle East and North Africa. In 2010, there were about 15 million Muslims living in the West. The majority of these Muslims were the children or grandchildren of immigrants who came from countries in the Middle East and North Africa.

There are differences in the types of Muslims who migrate to the West. Some come as temporary workers or students, while others come as permanent residents or refugees. Some come as individuals, while others come as families. Some come from countries with strong traditions of Islamic law and culture, while others come from countries with weak traditions of Islamic law and culture. Some come from countries with strong traditions of Islamic law and culture, while others come from countries with weak traditions of Islamic law and culture.

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