

Antisemitism masked by alliance with far left

The authors warned that over time, fringe antisemitic beliefs could become increasingly mainstreamed if these organisations are not challenged.

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As antisemitic attacks continue to rise in the United States, a growing alliance with farleft organisations has shielded US Islamist groups from scrutiny of their antisemitic statements and ideas, a study by an Israeli think tank has warned.

"US Islamist groups and leaders have increasingly sought common cause with progressive left-wing groups that promote minority rights and intersectionality among racial, ethnic and religious minorities in their efforts to build coalitions around common interests," charged **Yehudit Barsky** and **Ehud Rosen**, authors of the **Institute for National Security Studies (INSS)** report Islamist Antisemitism in the United States.

The "red–green" coalition is based on a narrative that portrays the Israeli–Palestinian conflict as an anti-colonial struggle, and US Muslims as victims of racism on par with other marginalised minorities in the US, said the INSS study.

The alliance also seeks to delegitimise Jewish communal organisations, according to Barsky and Rosen, by portraying them as part of a white power structure in the US that is ineligible for inclusion in progressive coalitions.

"Within these coalitions," charged the study, "US Islamists have sought to boycott and delegitimise progressive Zionists and supporters of Israel, deeming them as oppressors and illegitimate participants."

Barsky is a research fellow at the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy, and Rosen is a team member of the INSS's project on Contemporary Antisemitism in the United States.

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