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**Home Office Ban Hezbollah Spokesperson from UK
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The Centre for Social Cohesion (CSC) has learned that the UK Home Office has barred Hezbollah spokesperson Ibrahim el Moussawi from entering the UK.

The announcement follows the CSC's [pledge](#) to seek an arrest warrant should el Moussawi enter the country. The CSC had previously [revealed](#) that el Moussawi had been due to address a conference of police and government officials at the School of Oriental and Africa Studies (SOAS) at the University of London.

Douglas Murray, Director of the Centre for Social Cohesion, says:

'The decision to bar a spokesman for the terrorist group Hezbollah is a victory for all those who believe that terrorists and their spokesmen should not be allowed to incite violence and hatred in the UK.

'Last month the Home Secretary forbade the elected Dutch MP Geert Wilders from entering Britain in case he "threaten community harmony and therefore public security."

'El Moussawi's job is to act as a spokesman for a group currently engaging in terrorism with a specifically genocidal intent against the Jewish people.

'It is perverse that the government ever considered barring Wilders from entering Britain and even more perverse that they ever considered allowing Hezbollah in.'

Alexander Meleagrou-Hitchens, a researcher at the Centre for Social Cohesion, says:

'The barring of Dr. el-Moussawi will now prevent him from teaching pro Hezbollah propaganda to British Civil Servants and the police. It is a pity however, that SOAS refused to recognize the danger he posed and that it required the government to step in and stop them.'

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