

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

HATE CRIME AND PUBLIC ORDER (SCOTLAND) BILL

SUBMISSION FROM KEIR MCLENNAN

let me be frank, this bill is an absolutely shocking attempt at crippling the freedoms of our people and the Scottish Government should be ashamed for even considering to mandate this bill.

the bill itself tries to disguise itself as an anti racism/bigotry act but in reality all this means is that to whoever is in power, if someone were to say something that would disagree with said group in power, then they would have complete authority to imprison them for their views/opinions

this quite simply is fascism

I would strongly advise the Scottish Government to completely reject this bill in its entirety as there are far too many ways in which these new laws could be exploited and it is certainly not in the interests of the Scottish people to limit their freedoms of speech and expression.

it is laws like these that have caused uproar in Hong Kong. I dont want to see this happen to my beautiful country and I fear that with authoritarian, facist laws and persons in power, it is inevitable.

the people cry out to you, please dont let this bill and bills like these pass through into power.

thank you,
Keir

Keir McLennan
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