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## Learning genocide's lessons

I am writing to express my dismay that in an otherwise excellent article exploring the many issues arising from Alex Johnstone's unwitting comments about Auschwitz, Heather Mallick chose to compare the Holocaust to Muslims today. While anti-Muslim racism undoubtedly exists, there is no meticulously planned campaign designed by a genocidal dictator to exterminate the world's Muslim population.

Additionally, as hate crime statistics consistently show that Jewish communities remain the most frequent religious targets in the country, it is an erroneous comparison as well.

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