

SYNOPSIS



Circumcision - The Battle for the Foreskin

Beschneidung - Der Kampf um die Vorhaut

Muslims and Jews have done it for over a thousand years. A third of the male population of the world and two thirds of Americans have been circumcised, predominantly for health reasons. An everyday religious and hygienic practice that wasn't bothering anyone, that is until the judgement of the Cologne District Court changed everything. The judges deemed that circumcising a child should be punishable, as it violates the child's best interests and its right to physical integrity. The representatives of the religious communities affected have gone on the counterattack and the president of the Conference of European Rabbis, Pinchas Goldschmidt, spoke of «perhaps the most serious assault since the Holocaust». Representatives of the Islamic faith are also talking of serious attacks on the freedom of religion.

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