

Behind The Veil

WOMEN, ISLAM, AND THE MODERN-
NATION STATE

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In 1999, Mrs. Kavakci was expelled from Turkish Parliament for wearing a religious headscarf in the public sphere.

In 2004, France passed a law banning the headscarf in public schools.

Is the absence of religious symbols a legitimate public interest for laicist and secular states?

Is there an inherent conflict when one's identity draws upon feminism, Islam, and nationalism?



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