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Hungary: Orbán's new LGBTIphobic attacks

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On 16 March 2025 the Hungarian parliament, dominated by prime minister Viktor Orbán's Fidesz party, voted to ban the Budapest Pride March. Already, in 2021, under the pretext of “child protection”, any propaganda for homosexuality (which can be holding hands for a couple, or having a “look” identified as queer) was banned and punished with a 500 euro fine.

Hungary used to be the most liberal country in the region, having decriminalized homosexuality in 1961. Today, strengthened by Trump's election, the fascists in government are attacking the LGBTI community head-on, using it as a “scapegoat” to veil an ultra-corrupt oligarchic and nepotistic system.

The Momentum party, the only democratic opposition party to defend LGBTI rights, has been expelled from Parliament and fined 10 million guilders. Orbán is threatened by a secondary score in the 2026 elections, as his government has neither halted the crisis nor boosted purchasing power, and is trying every means possible to eliminate his opponents. According to activists interviewed in Paris on Sunday March 23 at a solidarity rally in defence of Pride and freedom of assembly in Hungary, the only way to bring down Orbán in the elections is to demonstrate.

The LGBTI community is not disarmed, and is organizing to resist and resist against Orbán and to hold the Belgrade Pride on 28 June. Europe's Hungarian LGBTI diasporas are calling on MEPs to attend, as well as community and human rights organizations such as Amnesty International. The Paris Council has pledged its support for Hungarian LGBTI activists.

Antifascists extradited, Macron an accomplice

We have noted the hypocrisy of French president Emmanuel Macron, who told the European Parliament that he supported threatened LGBTI activists, while in France his anti-terrorist police arrested an antifascist activist sentenced in absentia in Hungary, threatened with extradition and facing more than 15 years in prison. This is also what happened to Maja, a non-binary anti-fascist activist extradited to Hungary, who has been experiencing inhuman conditions in prison for more than eight months. There is an urgent need for an international response to fascism.

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