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**Since 12 February 2026, after a clash in Lyon between a group of antifa and a group of fascists that resulted in the death of one of the latter, France has taken a sordid turn in a campaign of demonization and criminalization of La France Insoumise (LFI), the left wing party led by Jean-Luc Mélenchon, which is directly accused of being politically responsible for the death of this person.**

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