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LIBERAL REPUTATION WE HAVE OF SWEDEN IS TARNISHED AS RACE ATTACKS RISE

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In December, 2014, in a statement the Working Group from the UN said 'Racial discrimination is also manifested in lack of equal access to justice, racial profiling and the failure to effectively investigate, prosecute and deter Afrophobic hate crimes'. The multiple forms of discrimination are based on their skin colour, race, religion and sex.

The experts travelling to Sweden and visiting several cities pointed out 'For a country that has been perceived as having a long tradition of tolerance and openness, the relative silence around racism and racial discrimination is surprising and worrying'.

Sweden's official liberalism seems a paradox alongside high levels of discrimination, according to Tobias Hübinette, associate professor in intercultural studies at Karlstad University 'The welfare state takes care of you if you are inside the system, but access to the system is largely through work and partly through work and partly through the residential market, which are highly segregated'.

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