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From: Macules [1]

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Dear Sir,

I'd like to make a suggestion for inclusion of Section 123 of the Crimes act (1961), the section dealing with blasphemous libel. While blasphemous libel is undesirable behaviour, and the section of the act makes provision for speech in good faith and decent language, this section has almost never been used and it is archaic that there is a separate section to deal with religion where libel laws already stand.

Kind regards,

Brian McElwaine