

France: Charlie Hebdo's Aylan Cartoon Causes Uproar

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Satirical magazine sparks fresh controversy after cartoon appears to link drowned Syrian toddler with Germany sex attacks

French satirical magazine Charlie Hebdo is facing fresh international criticism after a cartoon in its latest edition appeared to link Syrian Kurdish toddler Aylan Kurdi with those who committed sex attacks in Cologne on New Year's Eve.

The cartoon contains a drawing of the toddler's drowned body in one corner; below it is a depiction of two men chasing women.

A caption reads: "What would little Aylan have grown up to be? A bum groper in Germany."

The controversial caricature has sparked a harsh reaction on social media.



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Charlie Hebdo says this drowned baby Syrian refugee would have grown up to sexually harass German women.



The response of Queen Rania of Jordan:



Queen Rania of Jordan has published a riposte to a controversial Charlie Hebdo cartoon linking the drowned Syrian child Alan Kurdi with migrants accused of sex attacks in Germany.

The French satirical magazine's cartoon shows a man chasing a woman and says Alan would have grown up into a "groper in Germany".

It was **widely accused of racism**.

But Queen Rania posted a cartoon by Jordanian cartoonist Osama Hajjaj on social media showing Alan as a doctor.



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Aylan could've been a doctor, a teacher, a loving parent...

The magazine's current publishing director, Laurent Sourisseau, nicknamed Riss, is the author of the cartoon.



On Jan. 7 last year, two brothers — Said and Cherif Kouachi — targeted the offices of Charlie Hebdo, murdering 12 people.

Among the murdered were the magazine's editor Stephane Charbonnier, AKA 'Charb', a number of prominent cartoonists and journalists, a building maintenance worker and two police officers.

Images of the body of Aylan Kurdi – a Syrian child washed ashore on a Turkish beach last September – prompted an international outcry about the refugee crisis in Europe.

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