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French Muslim Group Suing Facebook over Christchurch Video | The Guardian

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The French Council of the Muslim Faith (CFCM) has said it is suing Facebook and YouTube for allowing the public broadcast of a live video by the man who carried out the New Zealand mosque massacre this month.

The council said it was suing the French branches of the two companies for "broadcasting a message with violent content abetting terrorism, or of a nature likely to seriously violate human dignity and liable to be seen by a minor", according to the complaint.

In France, such acts can be punished by three years' imprisonment and $\[mathbb{e}\]$ 75,000 (£64,000) fine.

Facebook said it quickly removed the live video of the attack on two mosques by a white supremacist in Christchurch on 15 March in which <u>50 people were killed</u>.

But recordings of the livestream were shared extensively on <u>YouTube</u> and Twitter, and internet platforms had to scramble to remove reposted videos.

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