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Here are memos for the last several ICCTs that we've done...Thanks.

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June 24, 2015

## **MEMORANDUM**

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Megan H. Mack

Officer for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

FROM: Nadia Batcha

Senior Policy Advisor

THROUGH: Kareem Shora

Section Lead, Community Engagement

SUBJECT: ICCT Call, June 18, 2015, 5:00pm EST

#### **Purpose**

This memo serves as a summary report of the Incident Community Coordination Team (ICCT) call you hosted on Thursday, June 18, 2015.

#### Summary

On June 18, 2015 at 5:00 PM EST CRCL activated the Incident Community Coordination Team (ICCT) an ICCT call. The call was scheduled as a result of the June 17, 2015 shooting at the historic Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina. Gunman Dylann Roof opened fire during an evening prayer service, killing 9 including church pastor and South Carolina State Senator Reverend Clementa Pinckney. The church is predominantly African-American. Local police described the shooting as a possible hate crime. Soon after the incident, CRCL heard from trusted community partners who expressed concerns and requested information and points of contact as a result of this incident. CRCL held the ICCT the day after the incident in response to requests from community leaders and government partners.

A cross section of American communities, faith-based communities, and non-governmental organizations participated in the call. There were a total of 167 callers. Speakers included:

- 1. Kareem Shora, CRCL Community Engagement Section Chief, DHS
- 2. Vanita Gupta, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, DOJ

- 3. Beth Drake, First Assistant U.S. Attorney, US Attorney's Office for District of South Carolina
- 4. Brian Murphy, Section Chief, Office of Partnership Engagement, FBI
- 5. Rev. David Myers, Director, Center for Faith-based & Neighborhood Partnerships, DIIS
- Bob Kolasky, Deputy Assistant Secretary, NPPD, Office of Infrastructure Protection, DHS
- 7. Grande Lum, Director, Community Relations Service, DOJ

After remarks by the US government officials, community leaders asked questions and provided comments and feedback. The call was completed by 6:18 PM EST after all questions were answered from local leaders.

### **Discussion Points**

- All speakers offered their sympathies in a difficult time for the nation, condemned the
  attack as a heinous hate crime and emphasized the use of all available resources in the
  ongoing investigation.
- DOJ Civil Rights Division announced that the suspect is under police custody, that DOJ is investigating the attack as a possible hate crime, and that the local US Attorney's Office, FBI, and local police are working together in the investigation.
- The US Attorney's Office for the District of South Carolina, announced that there were already pending state charges, and that the US Attorney's Office was working closely with the FBI and local police.
- The FBI reiterated comments from DOJ CRT and assured callers that multiple leads were being pursued in the investigation.
- The DHS Center for Faith-based & Neighborhood Partnerships read the statement that
  the President had issued earlier about the incident, and reported that the Faith-Based
  Office within the Executive Office of the President had been also reaching out to faith
  based groups across the country.
- DHS NPPD provided information on the tools available to keep communities and places
  of worship safe. NPPD encouraged community leaders to get in touch with their local
  protective security advisors and build close relationships with local law enforcement.
- The DOJ Community Relations Service spoke on the necessity of community counseling and the importance of dialogue.

#### **Q&A** and Community Feedback

- There were several questions that asked if this incident was an indicator of larger hate movements or networks. FBI and DHS officials responded that because this was a pending investigation, they could not comment further on specifics at this point. In addition, officials consistently noted that regardless of factors such as race, gender, or religion, each case is dealt with in the same approach, based on investigation and intelligence. (This was asked in different forms by: African-American Ministers Leadership Council; United Ministries of TN; Muslim Advocates; and Henry Green Consulting).
- A member of the Christian Emergency Network asked for clarification on the main point
  of contact or the DHS Protective Security Advisor (PSA) responsible for organizing and
  coordinating efforts on the ground to support affected communities in South Carolina.
  The U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of South Carolina advised her to email her
  personal email address for specific details. (Asked by: Christian Emergency Network).
- Several community leaders asked for resources for keeping communities safe. A community leader specifically asked for guidance on the kind of support he should provide to the members of his Church who feel insecure attending services and therefore are considering arming themselves for religious services. DHS NPPD encouraged these community leaders to contact their local protective security advisors. The DOJ Community Relations Service advised the leader to engage with local law enforcement on this issue and set up patrols and additional security reinforcements as needed. CRCL promised to send an email containing a comprehensive list of resources. (Asked by: African American Ministers Leadership Council, Zion Baptist Church, First Baptist Church).
- Several community leaders mentioned that we needed a larger conversation around race
- A Muslim community leader noted that according to a 2005 DOJ Report, South Carolina
  was one of a handful of states with no state statutes on prosecuting hate crimes. The US
  Attorney's Office for the District of South Carolina, said that there were many other tools
  available to prosecute hate crimes or similar violence. (Asked by: Islamic Society of
  North America).
- A Muslim community leader noted that there were similar incidents of hate against the Muslim community and asked for law enforcement to look to the broader scope of terrorism. The FBI confirmed that it conducts extensive investigations into violent white supremacist and other violent domestic hate groups, and that if communities believed otherwise, then they had to increase their engagement to correct this misperception. Another community leader representing the All Dulles Area Muslim Society (ADAMS) Center mentioned that Ramadan had started and Muslims were sharing their thoughts and concerns about keeping safe during evening prayers. Another Muslim community leader asked about Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) programming. The FBI mentioned that the government's CVE work was not limited to any particular ideology. (Asked by: ADAMS Center and Council on American-Islamic Relations).















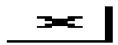
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Dear Team,

Please find attached the draft invite, from Megan, for the ICCT call on Tuesday. Please give your feedback on the language and if you would like to add anything. I want to see if we can get this to Megan before COB today so that it will be ready to go out on Monday morning.

Thank You Haris



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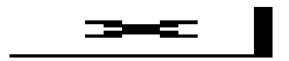
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- \* Video: Following Threats, CAIR-Chicago Calls for Stepped-Up Security at Local Mosques
- \* Video: <u>CAIR-Chicago Issues Community Alert After Threats to Mosque</u>
- \* CAIR-Chicago: <u>Threats Target Bridgeview Mosque</u> (Southtown Star)
- \* CAIR-Chicago: Authorities Investigate Threats Against Mosque (Sun-Times)
- \* CAIR-Chicago: <u>Threats investigated against Mosque</u> (Arab Daily News)
- \* CAIR-Chicago: <u>Authorities Investigating Threats Against Mosque</u>
  (AP)
- \* CAIR-Chicago: Authorities Investigate Online Threats Against Mosque
- \* CAIR-MI: Woman Sues Dearborn Heights After Police Forced Her to Remove Hijab After Arrest (Detroit News)

**CAIR-Michigan** met with Dearborn Heights and Dearborn officials last year about pursuing policies that would accommodate head coverings during bookings,

**executive director Dawud Walid** said. "We're always open to meet with those two police departments again as well as in the local area to assist them in implementing policies that are religious-friendly," he said. He pointed out that since hijabs have been allowed in some military IDs, passport photos and state driver's licenses, "wearing a head covering during a booking photo doesn't impede in identification purposes."

- \* 'American Sniper' Prompts Threats to Arabs, Muslims (Detroit Free Press)
- \* CAIR: Panelists Discuss Charlie Hebdo Attack and Freedom of Speech

Thursday's discussion was sponsored by the Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy. Other panelists were **Nihad Awad, the executive director of the Council on American-Islamic Relations**, James Le Sueur, a professor at the University of Nebraska and Radwan Masmoudi, the founding president of the CSID.

• \* Video: CAIR Director Nihad Awad at D.C. Press Club Panel on Understanding the Root Causes of Radicalization

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CAIR-MN: Civil Rights Groups Concerned About Minneapolis CVE Pilot Program
Advocates question whether program is a front for domestic intelligence gathering

(**MINNEAPOLIS, MN, 1/23/15**) -- The Minnesota chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR-MN) today joined with other civil rights organizations in expressing concerns that the Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) pilot program, soon be launched in Minneapolis, raises serious civil liberties issues.

CAIR-MN, along with groups like the **American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)** and the **Brennan Center for Justice at New York University School of Law**, say the CVE program may further stigmatize and marginalize the Muslim community by treating all of its members as suspects and by holding an entire community responsible for the actions of others.

[MEDIA ADVISORY: On Friday, January 30, CAIR-MN and the Brennan Center for Justice at New York University School of Law will hold a community educational event on CVE, "Understanding Minnesota's 'Countering Violent Extremism' Pilot Program: The Dangers of Reliance on a Debunked Theory of Terrorism." Speakers will include the Brennan Center's Michael German, David Schanzer of the Triangle Center on Terrorism and Homeland Security, CAIR-MN Executive Director Jaylani Hussein, and others. It will take place at 6 p.m. at Safari Restaurant and Event Center, 3010 4th Ave S, Minneapolis, Minn. Contact: CAIR-MN Executive Director Jaylani Hussein, 612-206-3360, Cell: 612-406-0070; jhussein@cair.com]

"We welcome any tangible effort to educate and empower youth to make the right decisions and promote safety, but it needs to be a community-based, grassroots effort free of intelligence gathering disguised as community outreach," said **CAIR-MN Executive Director Jaylani Hussein.** 

Hussein said constitutional rights are the cornerstone of our society and must not be

suspended for any Americans. He said CAIR-MN unequivocally condemns terrorism and terrorist organizations: "Any action that harms innocent civilians is reprehensible and deserves condemnation. CAIR-MN condemns terrorism whenever it happens, wherever it happens and whoever commits it."

## Backgrounder:

U.S. Attorney for the District of Minnesota Andrew Luger is leading the effort to implement the controversial CVE program in Minneapolis. He has not addressed civil liberties concerns about CVE or resolved current law enforcement abuses under his supervision, including FBI informants in mosques, surveillance of the Muslim community, FBI harassment in homes and workplaces, and profiling of Muslims at the airport.

A new article by Glenn Greenwald's *The Intercept* considers whether CVE is really a front for domestic intelligence gathering. It states: "[Civil liberties advocates] believe that blurring the line between engagement and intelligence gathering could end up with the monitoring of innocent individuals. If past programs in this area are any guide, those concerns are well founded."

The article also states: "Documents obtained by attorneys at the Brennan Center for Justice at New York University School of Law, and shared with the 'Intercept,' show that previous community outreach efforts in Minnesota--launched in 2009 in response to the threat of young Americans joining the al-Qaeda-linked militia al-Shabab, in Somalia--were, in fact, conceived to gather intelligence."

**SEE:** <u>Spies Among Us: How Community Outreach Programs to Muslims Blur Lines</u> between Outreach and Intelligence

**SEE ALSO: White House** Announces CVE Program: Is it Pretext for Spying on Muslims? **Terrorist or ... Teenager?** Justice Department's CVE Program Ripe for Abuse **L.A. Groups** Criticize White House Program on Homegrown Extremism

Civil rights advocates cite concerns with the FBI's active involvement in the Minneapolis CVE. The FBI has previously used outreach as a way to gain access and intelligence in the Muslim community.

**SEE:** CAIR-MN Asks FBI to Stop Recruitment of Informants in Mosques **FOIA Documents** Show FBI Illegally Collecting Intelligence Under Guise of "Community Outreach"

**FBI FOIA Docs** Show Use of "Mosque Outreach" for Illegal Intel Gathering **Is the FBI's Community Outreach Program** a Trojan Horse?

The ACLU also raised civil rights concerns about the new CVE pilot program. In a coalition letter signed by 27 national civil rights groups, the ACLU discussed the following concerns:

- • \* Serious Impact on Religious Exercise and Political Expression
- \* Improper Characterization of American Muslims as a Suspect Community
- \* CVE's Relationship to Abusive Counterterrorism Practices
- \* CVE Funding of Private Organizations and Individuals

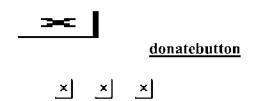
**SEE:** Coalition Letter to Obama Administration on Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) <a href="Program">Program</a>

CAIR is America's largest Muslim civil liberties and advocacy organization. Its mission is to enhance the understanding of Islam, encourage dialogue, protect civil liberties, empower American Muslims, and build coalitions that promote justice and mutual understanding.

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Hi David – Thanks for the opportunity to comment. To more easily track our rapidly developed comments/edits, I've moved to a word document and attached. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you, Nabeela

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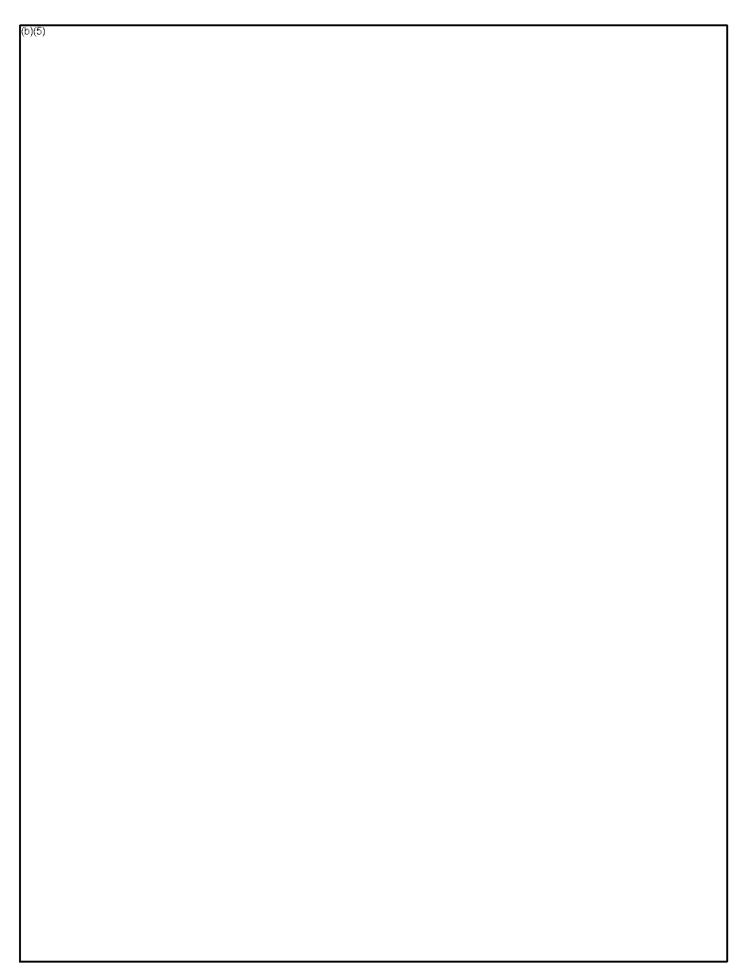
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I received a request late yesterday for some info I need your help pulling. WH Senior Leadership asked me create a Quarterly Priorities Update for them by COB tomorrow, which is a great opportunity coming out of the CVE Summit to keep our issues front and center. The upcoming quarter is defined as April-June. I'm looking for your departments input on the following categories:
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formatting and aggregating everything. I'm not expecting more than 1-2 pages from any agency, so don't go overboard or overthink this.

Deadline—I'd ideally like this info tonight, but absolute hard stop is 9am tomorrow. I then need to format and submit for clearance by 12noon, collect comments edits form across the NSC and have a final product by 6pm tomorrow (Thursday). I'll be in the office later this afternoon, but can be reached on the bb before then if you have questions (b)(6)

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