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PUBLIC STATEMENT ON THE VILIFICATION OF MUSLIMS & BAN ON GRANTING ENTRY TO MUSLIMS INTO THE UNITED STATES

A founding principle of the United States of America is freedom of religion. Participants in the mission of MCCJ to foster mutual understanding represent the diversity of many faith traditions and countries of origin typical of our nation. Thus, we vigorously oppose both any kind of religious litmus test for persons wishing to enter this country and the blanket condemnation of adherents of a particular religion. The recent public vilification of Muslims by political candidates is unacceptable and wrong. The perceived threats from any refugees and immigrants can be addressed by our nation’s current laws and policies applied judiciously and equitably. We call upon all people to stand together in rejecting language and proposals, as well as actions, that fuel division and hatred within our communities.

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