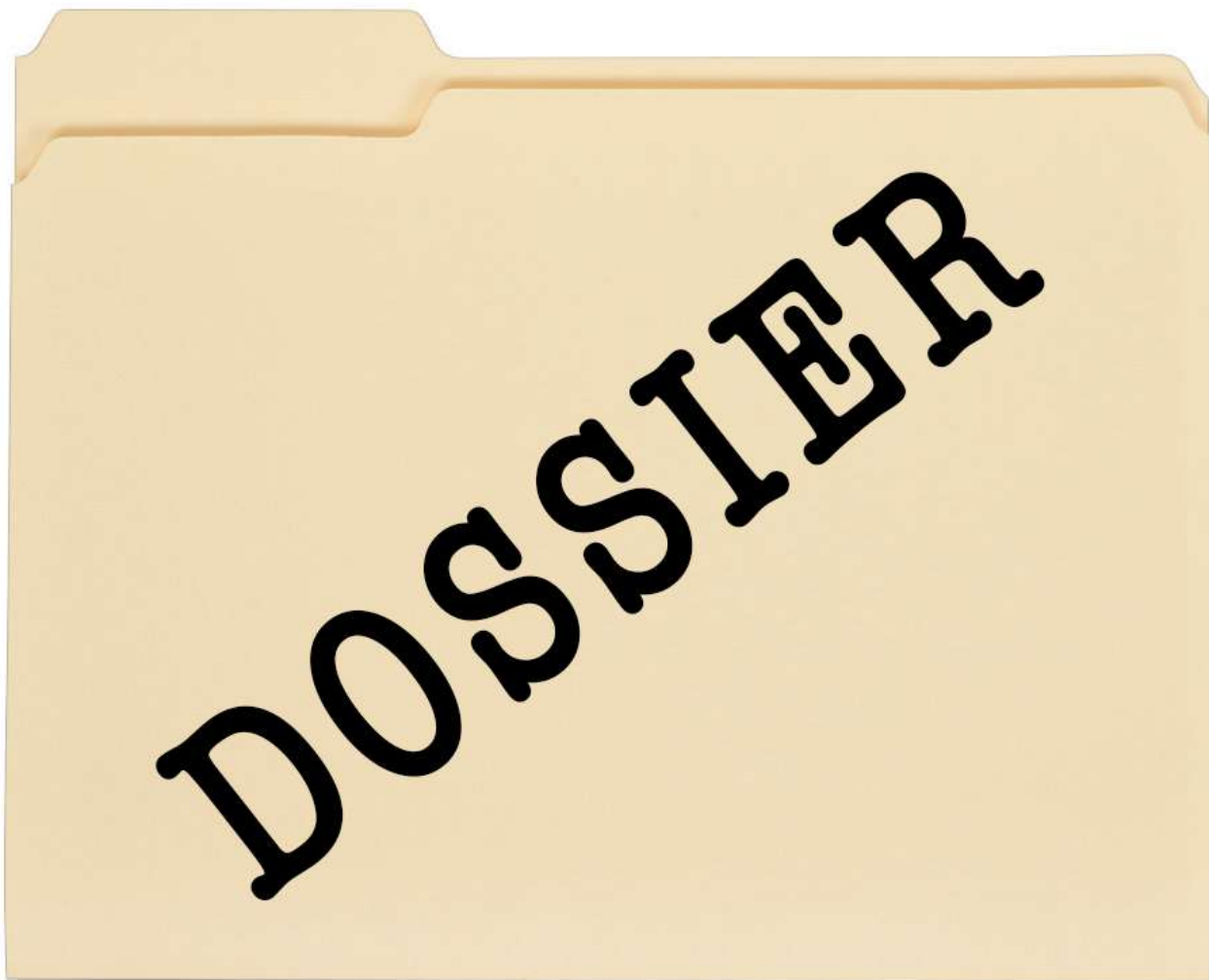


Secure Freedom Dossier:

Rep. André Carson's Ties to the Muslim Brotherhood

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OVERVIEW

House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi's recent decision to appoint Rep. André Carson to the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) for the 114th Congress raises deep concerns from a national security perspective. Particularly alarming is Rep. Carson's long history of associating with organizations known to be front groups for the Muslim Brotherhood. The Carson-tied Muslim groups have a documented history of serving as unregistered foreign agents, engaging in material support for terrorism, and possessing direct ties to the Brotherhood's Palestinian franchise, Hamas, a designated terrorist organization.

Rep. Carson's unsuitability for service on the House Intelligence Committee is further underscored by the fact that his political campaign has benefited directly and financially from such entities. Publicly available records indicate that he [received at least \\$33,911](#) in campaign donations from individuals associated with Muslim Brotherhood-linked organizations over a period of several years.¹

The oversight responsibility of the HPSCI with respect to the U.S. Intelligence Community and each of its myriad agencies by definition requires that its members have extensive access to highly sensitive information. Evidence acquired by American and foreign law enforcement agencies has documented that the Muslim Brotherhood engages in hostile intelligence collection against U.S. law enforcement and intelligence agencies, and seeks to conduct influence operations (IO) against them and American policymakers.² Such activities on the part of these groups constitute a direct threat to the security of the nation's secrets, as well as the independence of its domestic and foreign policy.

The fact that Rep. Carson's association with these organizations has persisted even after he has had every opportunity – as well as *a responsibility* – to know the threat they pose to U.S. national security displays, at the very best, a grave lack of judgment that is incompatible with service on the HPSCI.

In addition, the prospect that the nation's most highly-classified information could fall into Muslim Brotherhood hands – whether purposefully or by accident – by way of a HPSCI member who associates on a regular, friendly and ongoing basis with its operatives is a grave one. It merits a rigorous counter-intelligence assessment of the potential risks associated with Rep. Carson's vulnerabilities to recruitment, blackmail or other suborning.

¹ Islamist Money in Politics, "Donations from American Islamist Groups: André Carson" Islamist-Watch.org, <http://www.islamist-watch.org/money-politics/recipient/113/>

² Documents entered into evidence in the 2008 Holy Land Foundation HAMAS terror funding trial are available at the website of the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas. <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2.html> See also Appendix I below for a description of the "Global Project for Palestine" prepared by the MB in Amman, Jordan. The document instructs the MB to establish intelligence capabilities that include counterintelligence, intelligence collection, and surveillance. Appendix I also includes citations from the Charter of the [Center of the Studies, the Intelligence and the Information](#), a document uncovered by Federal Law enforcement at the home of convicted Palestinian Islamic Jihad organizer and Muslim Brotherhood member Sami al-Arian.

REP. CARSON'S HIGHLY PROBLEMATIC ASSOCIATIONS

Catalogued below is evidence of Rep. Carson's long association with the groups in question, as well as documented evidence that establish those organizations' ties to the Muslim Brotherhood, based on documents submitted by federal prosecutors and other sources.

THE COUNCIL ON AMERICAN ISLAMIC RELATIONS

- CAIR has been identified as an organization of [the Palestine Committee](#) of the North American Muslim Brotherhood in a 1994 meeting agenda of Palestine Committee.³
- The Palestine Committee was formed [by the Muslim Brotherhood](#)⁴ in order to [support Hamas](#),⁵ according to archival Brotherhood documents submitted by federal prosecutors in the Holy Land Foundation (HLF) Hamas terror-funding trial.
- These documents, among others, were sufficient for U.S. District Judge Jorge Solis to remark that the government had produced "[ample evidence](#)" to establish CAIR's connection to Hamas.⁶
- "From its founding by Muslim Brotherhood leaders, [CAIR conspired](#) with other affiliates of the Muslim Brotherhood to support terrorists" according to federal prosecutors.⁷
- CAIR founders Omar Ahmad and Nihad [Awad were identified as Palestine Committee members](#),⁸ according to a phone directory submitted as evidence during the Holy Land Foundation trial. The FBI cited this association as part of its declaration that CAIR [was not an "appropriate Liaison"](#) partner for U.S. government agencies.⁹
- Numerous [CAIR employees or former employees](#) have been convicted on terrorism charges.¹⁰
- CAIR has been designated as a terrorist organization by the [United Arab Emirates](#).¹¹

Rep. Carson has endorsed and appeared with CAIR on multiple occasions. These include the following:

CAIR-National 16th annual Leadership Conference and Banquet "Defining Our Faith – Defending Our Rights", October 19th, 2010, Washington, D.C., Marriot Crystal Gateway¹²

- Rep. André Carson [wrote an endorsing letter](#) for CAIR National for the event's program.¹³
- Carson was subsequently [warned of the group's](#) associations and possible Foreign Agent Registration Act violations in a letter from the Center for Security Policy.¹⁴

³ Government Exhibit, "Elbarasse Search-19", USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-29-08/Elbarasse%20Search%2019.pdf>

⁴ Government Exhibit, "Elbarasse Search-31," USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%2031.pdf>

⁵ Government Exhibit, "Elbarasse Search-5", USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%205.pdf>

⁶ "Memorandum Opinion Order," USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/1425.pdf

⁷ "Brief for the United States," USA v. Sabri Benkahla, http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/542.pdf, pg. 58

⁸ Government Exhibit, "Ashqar Search-1", USA v Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Ashqar%20Search%201.pdf>

⁹ Assistant Director Richard C. Powers, "Letter to Senator Jon Kyl," Office of Congressional Affairs, Federal Bureau of Investigation, April 28, 2009, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/misc/265.pdf>

¹⁰ "CAIR and Terrorism," Washington Times, July 23, 2004, <http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2004/jul/23/20040723-082950-9083r/>

¹¹ "UAE publishes list of terrorist organisations", Gulf News, November 14, 2014, <http://m.gulfnews.com/news/uae/uae-publishes-list-of-terrorist-organisations-1.1412895>

¹² CAIR Facebook Page Note, "CAIR Alert: Tariq Ramadan to Keynote CAIR Annual Banquet – Register Online Today" September 7, 2010, https://www.facebook.com/note.php?note_id=431981989441

¹³ "2010 CAIR 16th Annual Leadership Conference and Banquet Program," http://cairunmasked.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/10/CAIRLeadershipConfsmallfilesize_v-7.pdf

¹⁴ Frank Gaffney, "Letter to Rep. André Carson," October 29, 2010 http://cairunmasked.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/Letter_to_André_Carson.pdf

- The keynote speaker was Tariq Ramadan, [a known Muslim Brotherhood figure previously banned](#)¹⁵ from entering the U.S. [for funding organizations](#)¹⁶ associated with the foreign terrorist organization (FTO) Hamas.

CAIR-MI's 11th Annual Banquet, "Uncensored: The Freedom to Speak", March 27, 2011, Dearborn, MI, Hyatt Regency Hotel ¹⁷

- [Banquet Part 1, Dearborn, Michigan with Rep. André Carson](#) (Source is CAIR:MI)¹⁸
- [Banquet Part 2, Dearborn, Michigan with Rep. André Carson](#) (Source is CAIR:MI)¹⁹
- [André Carson Declares Friendship with CAIR](#) (Source is unknown however background and podium image suggests same event as previous videos.)²⁰
 - In Carson's speech he directly declares his support for CAIR and notes the organization's assistance with his campaign, which received PAC funds from the CAIR-LA chapter.

CAIR-San Francisco Bay Area 17th Annual Banquet "[Making Democracy Work](#)," October, 30, 2011, Santa Clara, Santa Clara Marriot ²¹

- Rep. Carson keynoted the banquet, sharing the stage with Siraj Wahhaj, an [unindicted co-conspirator](#)²² in the 1993 WTC Bombing, Imam of the Al-Taqwa mosque, whose members have been [tied by the NYPD](#) to terrorism funding and illegal arms trafficking.²³

CAIR-Saint Louis 2nd Annual "Faith in Freedom" November 16, 2013, St. Louis Marriott West²⁴

- Rep. Carson keynoted this banquet event, sharing the stage with CAIR-Chicago Executive Director Ahmed Rehab.
- According to the Investigative Project on Terrorism (IPT), [Rehab](#): "has staunchly defended a charity found guilty of funneling money to Hamas [the Holy Land Foundation], a Hamas operative, a fundraiser for a Hamas-linked group, and his own organization from its founding officials' ties to a U.S. Hamas support network." He also has avoided condemning Hamas as a terrorist organization when questioned by the media. Though CAIR has professed a willingness to combat "extremist voices" that "reinterpret" Islamic principles to promote violence, Rehab has been dismissive of the threat of some jihadist groups that do just this, focusing instead on their limited reach and disapproval of them within the Muslim community. He also has implied that the U.S. government is responsible for radicalizing individuals through the use of informants. Before his time with CAIR, Rehab listed Muhammad Qutb

¹⁵ Thomas Joscelyn, "A Victory for the Muslim Brotherhood," The Weekly Standard, Jan 20, 2010, <http://www.weeklystandard.com/blogs/victory-muslim-brotherhood>

¹⁶ Stephen Schwartz, "Ramadan Repudiated," Middle East Forum, August, 28, 2009, <http://www.meforum.org/2445/tariq-ramadan-repudiated>

¹⁷ Hiba Haque, "CAIR-MI's 11th Annual Banquet, "Uncensored: The Freedom to Speak," March 29, 2011, <http://www.ewlnews.com/ewl-blog/cair-mis-11th-annual-banquet-uncensored-the-freedom-to-speak>

¹⁸ CAIR-MI Youtube Page, "Rep. André Carson CAIR-MI Banquet Part 1," <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KvYWaylhJt8>

¹⁹ CAIR-MI Youtube Page, "Rep. André Carson CAIR-MI Banquet Part 2," <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9kxw65F1sw>

²⁰ Steve Davis Youtube, "André Carson Declares Friendship With CAIR," <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCue7S1o4-Pd0QuO004WjnTQ>

²¹ CAIR Email, "CAIR-SFBA's 17th Annual Banquet is Less Than Two Weeks Away! Have You Bought Your Tickets Yet?,"

<http://myemail.constantcontact.com/Introducing-Rep--André-Carson--American-Muslim-Congressman.html?soid=1101295800375&aid=- nQuHUn7Q>

²² Sally Goldenberg, "1993 WTC 'plotter' in Mike meet," New York Post, November 12, 2009, <http://nypost.com/2009/11/12/1993-wtc-plotter-in-mike-meet/>

²³ Peter G. Farrell, "Re: Raza et al v. City of New York et al, 13 Civ. 3448 (PKCXJMA)," September 10, 2013,

http://www.nyc.gov/html/nypd/downloads/pdf/pr/raza_et_al_letter.pdf

²⁴ CAIR-STL Facebook page, "CAIR-St. Louis 2nd Annual Banquet," November 16, 2013, <https://www.facebook.com/events/558448950875887/permalink/566593250061457/>

(brother of MB theoretician Sayyid Qutb), who taught Osama bin Laden and helped inspire Al-Qa'eda's ideology, as one of his "favorite thinkers."²⁵

THE ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA (ISNA):

- ISNA was founded in 1980 by the MB, [according to MB documents](#) used as evidence in the HLF trial to serve as "the nucleus for the Islamic Movement".²⁶
- ISNA is listed as [one of the MB "apparatuses"](#) in a MB document submitted as evidence in the HLF trial.²⁷
- ISNA [shared bank account and offices](#) with the Occupied Land Fund, the precursor of HLF, during which time hundreds of thousands of dollars were transferred to organizations known to be controlled by Hamas. As with CAIR, Federal Judge Jorge Solis ruled that the government has supplied "ample evidence" to affiliate ISNA with Hamas.²⁸
- MB planning documents submitted at the HLF trial refer [to direct tasking of ISNA](#) to devise programs, and conduct field work and other activities on behalf of the MB.²⁹

Rep. Carson has been a prominent speaker at ISNA events on multiple occasions:

ISNA 46th Annual Convention: "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness", July 3-6 2009, Washington, DC D.C. Convention Center³⁰

- [Part 7 w/Rep. André Carson](#) (Source: Participant, ISNA Convention Logo clearly visible)³¹
- [Session 4A Part 11 w/Rep. André Carson](#) (Source: ISNA)³²

ISNA 47th Annual Convention, "Nurturing Compassionate Communities: Connecting Faith and Service" July 2-5, 2010, Rosemont, Illinois, Rosemont Convention Center³³

- "Muslim American Political Engagement: Next Steps and a Practical 'How-To'" [Session 8A - Part 9 w/Rep. André Carson](#) (Source: ISNA)³⁴
- Carson calls on participants to identify a campaign that shares their belief, and cites Muslim Brotherhood-associated organizations such as the Capital Leadership Academy led by former CAIR employee [Ahmed Bedier](#),³⁵ [The Muslim Public Affairs Council](#) (MPAC),³⁶ and [the Congressional Muslim Staffers Association](#) (CMSA), which has repeatedly invited MB-linked organizations to Capitol Hill.³⁷

²⁵ "An IPT Investigative Report, Ahmed Rehab, Executive Director, CAIR-Chicago" undated, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/misc/474.pdf>

²⁶ Government Exhibit, "Elbarasse Search-1," USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%201.pdf>

²⁷ Government Exhibit, "Elbarasse Search-4," USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%204.pdf>

²⁸ "Memorandum Opinion Order," USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/1425.pdf

²⁹ Government Exhibit, "Elbarasse Search-9," USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse Search 9.pdf>

³⁰ WRMEA, "Thirty Thousand Attend ISNA's Annual Convention," Washington Report on Middle East Affairs, Sept/Oct 2009, <http://www.wrmea.org/2009-september-october/muslim-american-activism-thirty-thousand-attend-isnas-annual-convention.html>

³¹ The KutaKowboy Youtube Page, "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness" - Part 7," July 28, 2009 <http://youtu.be/lpgVYySOuCW?t=2m10s>

³² ISNA Youtube Page, "ISNA Convention 2009 - Session 4A Part 11," July 17, 2009 <http://youtu.be/wW5tLOOx9Ug?t=1m40s>

³³ ISNA Facebook Page, "47th Annual ISNA Convention," July 2, 2010, https://www.facebook.com/events/113362688682871/?hc_location=stream

³⁴ ISNA Youtube Page, "ISNA Annual Convention 2010 - Session 8A - Part 9 <http://youtu.be/b3v5SSdaxrM?t=4m35s>

³⁵ Investigative Project on Terrorism, "Apologists or Extremists: Ahmed Bedier," March 6, 2009, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/profile/175>

³⁶ Investigative Project on Terrorism, "Behind the Façade: The Muslim Public Affairs Council," <http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/misc/358.pdf>

³⁷ Global Muslim Brotherhood Daily Watch, "Congressional Muslim Staffers Association Hosts 1st Muslim Student Association Day On Capitol Hill," April 27, 2010 <http://www.globalmbwatch.com/2010/04/27/congressional-muslim-staffers-association-hosts-1st-muslim-student-association-day-on-capitol-hill/>

- [Session 8A - Part 8 w/Rep. André Carson](#) (Source: ISNA)³⁸
- [Session 8A - Part 4 w/Rep. André Carson](#) (Source: ISNA)³⁹
 - Carson discusses meeting with the Capitol Sergeant-at-arms office regarding the Anti-Terrorism Caucus's using the book *Muslim Mafia*. Carson also states in this speech that he spoke to students together with ISNA president Dr. Ingrid Matson.
- [Session 8A - Part 3 w/Rep. André Carson](#) (Source: ISNA)⁴⁰
 - This session features the President of CMSA, who is the main speaker and uses the occasion to denounce the film 'Legacy of the Prophet' and the book *Muslim Mafia*, which details connections between CAIR and the Muslim Brotherhood.

THE MUSLIM AMERICAN SOCIETY (MAS) AND THE ISLAMIC CIRCLE OF NORTH AMERICA (ICNA)

- Federal Prosecutors [identified MAS](#) as the “overt arm” of the Muslim Brotherhood as far back as 2008,⁴¹ and MB members, including former MB Supreme Guide Mahdi Akef, [have confirmed](#) as much to the media in 2004.⁴²
- Convicted Al-Qa'eda financier and self-identified Muslim Brother Abdurrahman [Alamoudi testified under oath](#) “Everybody knows MAS is Muslim Brotherhood.”⁴³
- The Muslim American Society [has been designated as a terrorist organization](#) by the United Arab Emirates.⁴⁴
- ICNA was [founded on the principles of](#),⁴⁵ and is widely considered [a front group](#) for,⁴⁶ Jamaat-e-Islami (JI – a jihadist Pakistani group founded in 1941 by Sayyid Abul A'la Mawdudi) operating in the United States. ICNA [formally joined with](#) the Muslim Brotherhood to [present a united front](#) in the 1990s, according to Muslim Brotherhood archival documents acquired by federal law enforcement and submitted in the Holy Land Foundation trial.⁴⁷
- ICNA's [founding secretary general](#) was convicted of war crimes for leading JI militias on behalf of Pakistan in Bangladesh's war of liberation.⁴⁸
- ICNA's 2010 handbook called for establishing [Shariah and Islamic rule](#) through a worldwide Caliphate.⁴⁹
- ICNA's charity arm, ICNA Relief, is believed to [have solicited donations](#) for Pakistani charities known to have donated to Hamas.⁵⁰

³⁸ ISNA Youtube Page, “ISNA Annual Convention 2010 - Session 8A - Part 8,” July 30, 2010, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FMOASKbS2S4>

³⁹ ISNA Youtube Page, “ISNA Annual Convention 2010 - Session 8A - Part 4,” July 30, 2010, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gQZJGOEIMHM>

⁴⁰ ISNA Youtube Page, “ISNA Annual Convention 2010-Session 8A-Part 3,” July 30, 2010, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xc-el9IXwhg>

⁴¹ “Brief for the United States,” USA v. Sabri Benkahla, http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/542.pdf, pg. 58

⁴² Noreen S. Ahmed-Ullah, Sam Roe and Laurie Cohen, “A rare look at secretive Brotherhood in America,” September 19, 2004,

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/watchdog/chi-0409190261sep19-story.html#page=1>

⁴³ IPT News, “IPT Exclusive: Under Oath, Alamoudi Ties MAS To Brotherhood,” March 12, 2012, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/3486/under-oath-alamoudi-ties-mas-to-brotherhood#>

⁴⁴ “UAE publishes list of terrorist organisations”, Gulf News, November 14, 2014, <http://m.gulfnews.com/news/uae/uae-publishes-list-of-terrorist-organisations-1.1412895>

⁴⁵ ICNA's Message International, “Beyond Malcolm,” October 1996, saved as a screenshot image and available at:

http://www.americansagainsthate.org/Beyond_Malcolm.html

⁴⁶ Global Muslim Brotherhood Daily Watch, “Jamaat-e-Islami,” January 17, 2015, <http://www.globalmbwatch.com/wiki/jamaat-e-islami/>

⁴⁷ See: Government Exhibit, “Elbarasse Search-1” USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%201.pdf> and Government Exhibit, “Elbarasse Search-3,” USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development,

<http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%203.pdf>

⁴⁸ IPT News, “ICNA Leader Convicted in 1971 Bangladesh Massacres,” Nov. 3, 2013, Investigative Project on Terrorism,

<http://www.investigativeproject.org/4204/icna-leader-convicted-in-1971-bangladesh-massacres>

⁴⁹ IPT News, “Hand Book Shows ICNA's True Goals,” December 6, 2010, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/2373/hand-book-shows-icna-true-goals>

⁵⁰ IPT News, “ICNA Relief Promotes Jihad Donations,” May 2, 2012, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/3562/icna-relief-promotes-jihad-donations>

Rep. Carson has been a repeated attendee at events of the Islamic Circle of North America and the Muslim American Society. (The two MB-linked organizations began sharing an annual convention in 2000):

37th Annual ICNA-MAS Convention, “Defending Religious Freedom, Understanding Shariah” May 26-27, 2012 Hartford, Connecticut, Connecticut Convention Center⁵¹

- [“The State of the American Family with Rep. André Carson”](#)⁵² (Source: ICNA-MAS)
 - Rep. Carson discusses what he views as his role to represent American Muslims, describes the Muslim family as being “under attack,” and having worked to send aid to the Palestinian territories, and spoken out against “Islamophobia and against those who seek to do our religion harm.”

ICNA Relief “Homeland Social Responsibility”, July 13, 2012, Boston, MA, Anthony’s of Malden⁵³

- [“André Carson at ICNA Relief Boston Program”](#) (Source: Moviz Asad Siddiqi)⁵⁴
- [“Shining the light in the darkest corners in our society André Carson”](#) (Source: Moviz Asad Siddiqi)⁵⁵
 - In these videos, Carson addresses his support for ICNA Relief programs, and discusses opposition to law enforcement profiling techniques.

39th Annual ICNA-MAS Convention, “Faith, Submission, Service” May 24-27, 2014, Baltimore, Maryland, Baltimore Convention Center⁵⁶

- [“André Carson: Activism in Islam: Be Engaged,”](#) (Source: ICNA)⁵⁷
 - Carson [shared the stage with the grandson of the founder of the Muslim Brotherhood, Tariq Ramadan](#),⁵⁸ and [Jamal Badawi](#).⁵⁹ Badawi has [multiple MB associations](#),⁶⁰ and was [directly identified as a Muslim Brother](#) who was “de-watch listed” according to a DHS document released by Sen. Chuck Grassley.⁶¹
 - [In the speech](#), Carson praises [Naim Baig](#) (President of ICNA)⁶², [Tariq Rahman](#) (a secretary general of ICNA, and executive director of ICNA Relief)⁶³, Jamal Badawi and Tariq Ramadan. He additionally supported the termination of an NYPD intelligence program, called for funding opposition to Rep. Peter King (R-NY) for his efforts to investigate radicalism inside the

⁵¹ “Highlights of the 37th Annual ICNA-MAS Convention 2012,” June 9, 2012, <http://www.icna.org/highlights-of-the-37th-annual-icna-mas-convention-2012/>

⁵² ICNA Youtube Page, “ICNA-MAS 2012: The State of The American Family by Congressman André Carson,” July 2, 2012, <http://youtu.be/4A8NMhqAw1M?t=2m9s>

⁵³ “ICNA Held Fundraiser for Women & Children’s Shelter,” July 24, 2012, <http://www.icna.org/icna-held-fundraiser-for-women-childrens-shelter/>

⁵⁴ Moviz Asad Siddiqi Youtube Page, “André D. Carson(congressmen) district)AT ICNA RELIEF BOSTON PROGRAM,” July 17, 2012, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=229sYNLo-UI>

⁵⁵ Moviz Asad Siddiqi Youtube Page, “icna releif shining the light in the darkest corners in our society André Carson”, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=coNsB75nLQ8>

⁵⁶ ICNA Facebook Page, “39th Annual ICNA-MAS National Convention BALTIMORE, MD,” May 26, 2014, <https://www.facebook.com/events/547058968746895/>

⁵⁷ ICNA Youtube Page, “Congressman André Carson,” Oct 13, 2014, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKRUKA7ZLIE>

⁵⁸ Tariq Ramadan, “ICNA-MAS Convention – Baltimore: “Islam: Faith, Submission, Service” TariqRamadan.com <http://tariqramadan.com/english/event/icna-mas-convention-baltimore-islam-faith-submission-service/>

⁵⁹ Global Muslim Brotherhood Daily Watch, “Jamal Badawi,” <http://www.globalmbwatch.com/wiki/jamal-badawi/>

⁶⁰ “Jamal Badawi” MuslimBrotherhoodunmasked.net <http://www.brotherhoodunmasked.net/individuals-the-muslim-brotherhood/jamal-badawi>

⁶¹ Adam Kredo, “DHS ‘hands off’ list allowed suspects with terror ties into U.S.,” May 13, 2014, <http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2014/may/13/dhs-hands-list-allowed-suspects-terror-ties-us/?page=all>

⁶² ICNA Press Release, “Naim Baig Relected as ICNA President,” ICNA.org, December 31, 2014, <http://www.icna.org/icna-general-assembly-reelects-naeem-baig-as-president-of-icna/>

⁶³ “LinkedIn Profile of Tariq Ur Rahman,” LinkedIn.com, <https://www.linkedin.com/pub/tariq-ur-rahman/79/314/129>

Muslim-American community, and stated his support for MB organizations including CAIR, MPAC, ICNA, ISNA and EMERGE USA, a group founded by [former CAIR legal advisor Khurrum Wahid](#), who was placed on the “Selectee” list, a terrorism watch list, in 2012.⁶⁴

13th Annual MAS-ICNA Convention: “Faith: Compass for Life” December 25-29, 2014, Chicago, Illinois, McCormick Place⁶⁵

- “[Ferguson Is Our Issue: We Cant’t Breathe](#)” Rep. André Carson, Mazen Mohktar, Aminah McCloud
 - Carson apparently was scheduled to speak on a panel with MAS executive Director Mazen Mokhtar, identified in federal court [as having run a website](#) working to fund the Taliban.⁶⁶ When Carson’s intended appearance was [noticed in the media](#), Carson denied being aware he was scheduled to speak and was apparently removed from the program at the last minute. Websites mentioning his scheduled appearance retroactively were scrubbed of that information.⁶⁷

THE UNITED STATES COUNCIL OF MUSLIM ORGANIZATIONS (USCMO)

- The USCMO is identified as an “[umbrella](#)” group of Muslim organizations.⁶⁸
- Founding member organizations tied to the MB in some manner include : CAIR; ICNA; [The Muslim Alliance of North America](#) (MANA) (whose emir is Siraj Wahhaj, and whose board includes numerous MB linked individuals, as well as the late Imam Luqman Abdullah, who was killed in a shootout with the FBI)⁶⁹; Muslim Ummah of North America (mentioned in an MB “[implementation manual](#)” produced by federal prosecutors in the HLF trial);⁷⁰ [The Mosque Foundation](#)⁷¹ (the subject of a [2004 Chicago Tribune article](#) regarding the MB takeover of a local mosque);⁷² and the [American Muslims for Palestine](#) (AMP),⁷³ (two AMP members - Salah Sarsour and Osama Abu Irshaid - [have ties to](#) the MB Palestine Committee).⁷⁴

Rep. Carson attended, and spoke at the USCMO’s first annual banquet, lending congressional credibility to the nascent MB political project.

⁶⁴ Regarding Wahid’s prior CAIR affiliation see “American Muslims Sue DHS Over Border Detentions CAIR,” April 21, 2005, <https://web.archive.org/web/20050426040314/http://www.cair-net.org/default.asp?Page=articleView&id=1549&theType=NR> Regarding Wahid’s placement on the selectee watchlist see Lisa Rab, “Miami imams accused of funding terrorists: Hate and redemption,” Miami New Times, February 2, 2012, <http://www.miaminewtimes.com/2012-02-02/news/miami-imams-accused-of-funding-terrorists-hate-and-redemption/full/>

⁶⁵ “US Muslims Conclude MAS-ICNA Convention”, December, 30, 2014, ICNA.Org <http://www.icna.org/us-muslims-conclude-mas-icna-convention/>

⁶⁶ Dana Priest and Susan Schmidt, “Terror Suspect’s Arrest Opens New Inquiries,” Washington Post, August 8, 2004, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A48936-2004Aug7.html>

⁶⁷ Patrick Poole, “Congressman Walks Back Appearance at Islamic Terror Group’s Chicago Convention,” PJ Media, January 1, 2015, <http://pjmedia.com/tatler/2015/01/01/congressman-walks-back-appearance-at-islamic-terror-groups-chicago-convention/?singlepage=true>

⁶⁸ Hena Zuberi, “New Umbrella Group Holds Inaugural Banquet,” ICNA.org, June 18, 2014, <http://www.icna.org/new-umbrella-group-holds-inaugural-banquet/>

⁶⁹ Ryan Mauro, “Muslim Alliance of North America,” The Clarion Project, April 8, 2013, <http://www.clarionproject.org/analysis/muslim-alliance-north-america>

⁷⁰ Government Exhibit, “Elbarasse Search-9” USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%209.pdf>

⁷¹ “The Mosque Foundation,” Clarion Project, November 3, 2013, <http://www.clarionproject.org/analysis/mosque-foundation>

⁷² Noreen S. Ahmed-Ullah, Kim Barker, Laurie Cohen, Stephen Franklin and Sam Roe “Hard-liners won battle for Bridgeview mosque,” Chicago Times, February 8, 2004 <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/chi-0402080265feb08-story.html#page=1>

⁷³ Ryan Mauro, “American Muslims for Palestine,” Clarion Project, February 12, 2013, <http://www.clarionproject.org/analysis/american-muslims-palestine-amp>

⁷⁴ IPT News, “American Muslims for Palestine’s Web of Hamas Support,” Investigative Project on Terrorism, December 14, 2011, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/3346/american-muslims-for-palestine-web-of-hamas>

- Rep. André Carson spoke at this event, [together with numerous individuals](#) associated with the MB.⁷⁶
- Helping Hands USA and ICNA Relief were two of the organizations sponsoring the event. [Both organizations were listed](#) as donors to the Al-Khidmat Foundation (AKF), a charity associated with Jama'at Islamiya, which provided [six million rupees](#) to HAMAS leader Khaled Meshaal in 2006.⁷⁷

THE MUSLIM MICHIGAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL (MMCC) 28TH ANNUAL UNITY BANQUET 2014, NOVEMBER 2, 2014, DETROIT, MI, BURTON MANOR⁷⁸

- [MMCC Banquet 2014 | Indiana Rep. André Carson](#) (Source: MMCC)⁷⁹
 - MMCC [Executive Director Dawood Zwink](#), served as Vice President of ISNA, and was a founder of the Muslim Youth of North America (MYNA).⁸⁰ [MYNA is listed in](#) a MB document as “[one of our organizations, or the organizations of our friends](#)”⁸¹
 - [MMCC Board member](#) and Imam Council Chair⁸² Mustafa El Turk led [the Islamic Organization of North America](#) (IONA), an organization founded as a splinter group of JI (mentioned earlier.)⁸³ El Turk [has solicited funds](#) for charities linked to Hamas ([Islamic Relief](#), [KinderHearts](#)) and Al-Qa’eda ([MercyUSA](#), [formerly Mercy International](#)) and praised HAMAS fighters as martyrs.⁸⁴
 - MMCC Board member Dr. Muzammil Ahmed is [a board member of CAIR-MI](#).⁸⁵

⁷⁵ The webpage for the USCMO Inaugural banquet was removed some time between January 31, 2015 and February 3rd, 2015. A write up of the event is available at the Center for Security Policy’s webpage, “U.S. Muslim Brotherhood Political Party Convenes for Inaugural Banquet in Washington, DC Area,” June 30, 2014, <http://www.centerforsecuritypolicy.org/2014/06/30/u-s-muslim-brotherhood-political-party-convenes-for-inaugural-banquet-in-washington-dc-area/>

⁷⁶ Center for Security Policy, “U.S. Muslim Brotherhood Political Party Convenes for Inaugural Banquet in Washington DC Area,” June 30, 2014, <http://www.centerforsecuritypolicy.org/2014/06/30/u-s-muslim-brotherhood-political-party-convenes-for-inaugural-banquet-in-washington-dc-area/>

⁷⁷ 17 August 2006 screen capture from the Jamaat-e Islami Pakistan website, acknowledging the 6 million rupee check donation to Khaled Meshaal. <http://www.americansagainsthate.org/HamasDonorICNA.htm>

⁷⁸ Michigan Muslim Community Council Facebook Page, “28th Annual Unity Banquet,” November 2, 2014, <https://www.facebook.com/events/1517417258500293/?ref=22>

⁷⁹ MMCC YouTube Page, “MMCC Banquet 2014 | Indiana Rep. André Carson,” November 5, 2014, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wd3acSnZVlg>

⁸⁰ MMCC “About Us: Staff,” MIMuslimcouncil.com, <http://www.mimuslimcouncil.com/about-us/staff/>

⁸¹ Government Exhibit, “Elbarasse Search-3,” USA v. Holy Land Foundation For Relief and Development, http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse_Search_3.pdf

⁸² MMCC, “About Us: Board Member,” MIMuslimcouncil.com, <http://www.mimuslimcouncil.com/about-us/board-members/>

⁸³ IONA Website “IONA Background,” accessible at https://web.archive.org/web/20071222134521/http://www.iononline.org/Internal_Pages/About_IONA/Background.html

⁸⁴ Charles Jacob and Ilya Feoktistov, “The ADL Must be Stopped,” April 27, 2012, http://www.americanthinker.com/articles/2012/04/the_adl_must_be_stopped.html
According to a audio transcript supplied by Americans for Peace and Tolerance, “Crisis in Palestine 2, Mustafa El Turk,” January 23, 2009, where El Turk said, “send monetary assistance to our brothers and sisters in Gaza through UN-approved charitable organizations such as Islamic Relief, KinderUSA, Mercy-USA, and others.” On Islamic Relief ties to Hamas see, Reuters, “Israel Bans UK-based Muslim Charity Accused of Funding Hamas,” June 19, 2014, <http://uk.reuters.com/article/2014/06/19/uk-palestinians-israel-charities-idUKKBN0EU1FE20140619> On KinderHearts see: Treasury Department Press Release, “Treasury Freezes Assets of Organization Tied to Hamas,” February 19, 2006, <https://web.archive.org/web/20060922221032/http://www.treasury.gov/press/releases/js4058.htm>. On Mercy-USA’s see: A.D Kendall, “Muslim Brotherhood’s family ties to Mercy-USA,” September 10, 2010, <https://moneyjihad.wordpress.com/2010/09/16/muslim-brotherhood%E2%80%99s-family-ties-to-mercy-usa/> and Matthew Epstein and Ben Schmidt, “Operation Support-System Shutdown,” National Review Online, September 4, 2003, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/170/operation-support-system-shutdown>

⁸⁵ MMCC, “About Us: Board Member,” MIMuslimcouncil.com, <http://www.mimuslimcouncil.com/about-us/board-members/>

MUSLIM ALLIANCE OF INDIANA (MAI), SPEECH BY REP. ANDRÉ CARSON, UNKNOWN EVENT

- [Video of Speech by Rep. André D. Carson](#), Published June 20, 2012 (Source: MAI)⁸⁶
 - MAI founder and first President [Dr. Ibad Ansari](#) played a leadership role in multiple MSA chapters.⁸⁷ The [Muslim Students Association](#) is the oldest MB front organization in the United States according to MB documents submitted by federal prosecutors at the HLF trial.⁸⁸
 - MAI board member and one-time MAI [executive director Shariq Siddiqui](#) is a former ISNA Director of Fundraising and Community Development (ISNA previously mentioned).⁸⁹

EGYPT FREEDOM FOUNDATION, “RESTORING DEMOCRACY TO EGYPT” DECEMBER 5, 2013, CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D.C.

- Rep. Carson’s office [reserved a Capitol Hill Office room](#) for the Egypt Freedom Foundation,⁹⁰ founded by [Ahmed Bedier](#).⁹¹ Rep. Carson’s staff responded to press inquiries by saying they were unaware of who would attend the event.
 - The meeting was attended by Sami Al-Arian, an individual [who pled guilty](#) to aiding Palestinian Islamic Jihad (on the Department of State’s Foreign Terrorist Organizations list since 1997),⁹² and has [a self-admitted history](#) with the MB⁹³ and who [has claimed to be involved](#) in the establishment of ISNA.⁹⁴
 - In Al-Arian’s home was found of the Charter of the [Center of the Studies, the Intelligence and the Information](#), described by Federal Agent David [Kane in an affidavit](#) as “a comprehensive plan to establish a hostile intelligence organization in the United States and elsewhere.”⁹⁵
 - Also attending the meeting was Mahdi Bray, a convicted felon who is the former director of the [MAS Freedom Foundation](#), and Political Director of Muslim Public Affairs Council.⁹⁶

⁸⁶ Hoosier Muslims YouTube Page, “Congressman André Carson,” June 10, 2012, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ft0J5wG6Kwc#t=133>

⁸⁷ Muslim Alliance of Indiana, “About Us: Board” <http://www.indianamuslims.org/board/>

⁸⁸ Government Exhibit, “Elbarasse Search-1” USA v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/ElbarasseSearch1.pdf>

⁸⁹ Said&Little LLP, “Attorney, Partner: Shariq Siddiqui,” <http://indianainjuryaccidentlawyers.com/shariq-siddiqui/>

⁹⁰ Alana Goodman, “Convicted Terror Supporter Attends Congressional Briefing,” December 16, 2013, Washington Free Beacon, <http://freebeacon.com/national-security/convicted-terror-supporter-attends-congressional-briefing/>

⁹¹ IPT News, “Al-Arian Resurfaces in New American Brotherhood Campaign,” Investigative Project on Terrorism, December 9, 2013, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/4234/ipt-exclusive-al-arian-resurfaces-in-new-american>

⁹² DOJ Press Release, “Sami Al-Arian Pleads Guilty To Conspiracy To Provide Services To Palestinian Islamic Jihad,” April 17, 2006, http://www.justice.gov/archive/opa/pr/2006/April/06_crm_221.html

⁹³ “Affidavit of Sami Al-Arian,” accessed at <http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/misc/152.pdf>

⁹⁴ Free Sami Al-Arian.com “Who Is Dr. Sami Al-Arian,” May 21, 2006, <https://web.archive.org/web/20070521231000/http://www.freesamialarian.com/bio.html>

⁹⁵ David Kane, “AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR SEARCH WARRANT”, OCTOBER 2003 accessed

https://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/891.pdf The entire Charter can be read at http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/533.pdf

⁹⁶ Investigative Project on Terrorism, “Apologists or Extremists: Mahdi Bray,” June 20, 2011, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/profile/112>

CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS, “AFRICAN AMERICAN AFRICAN-AMERICAN/MUSLIM-AMERICAN DIALOGUE: BUILDING AN INTERFAITH MOVEMENT,” SEPTEMBER 24, 2008, WASHINGTON CONVENTION CENTER

- Rep. Carson participated in a panel together with, among others, Dawud Walid (CAIR-MI), Saeed Syeed (Director, ISNA D.C. office), Imam Mahdi Bray (MAS) and Khurram Wahid (EMERGE USA)⁹⁷

In conclusion, Rep. André Carson’s numerous and long-standing ties to Muslim Brotherhood organizations, including organizations known to support or fund terrorism, extend well-beyond a single event or two, which might be explained by a lack of knowledge or a failure to conduct due diligence. Rep. Carson has received funds from, attended fundraising events for, and publicly promoted the agenda of these groups on a deliberate, continuous, and unapologetic basis for many years.

Such associations and collaboration raise a very real question about Congressman André Carson’s judgment and conduct. They also demand serious consideration concerning the security of intelligence information that would become available to this legislator as a result of his membership on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

In light of the Muslim Brotherhood in America’s self-declared goal of “destroying Western civilization from within by their hands [i.e., those of non-Muslims]” it is potentially dangerous and certainly unacceptable to entrust an admirer and enabler of that organization with oversight of U.S. intelligence.⁹⁸ Further, understanding that the role of the Muslim Brotherhood in the United States explicitly involves a subversive agenda, the presence on the HPSCI of an individual like Rep. Carson, who, wittingly or unwittingly, may be perceived by the Muslim Brotherhood as a conduit for advancing its jihadist agenda, must also be cause for serious concern.

⁹⁷ “Muslim Politicos Convene at Black Caucus Event” Muslim Link October 19, 2008, <http://www.muslimlinkpaper.com/community-news/community-news/1646-Muslim%20Politicos%20Convene%20at%20Black%20Caucus%20Event.html>

⁹⁸ Government Exhibit, “Elbarasse Search-3,” USA v. Holy Land Foundation For Relief and Development, [http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse Search 3.pdf](http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%203.pdf)

APPENDIX 1

THE MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD AND HOSTILE INTELLIGENCE GATHERING

According to documents acquired by federal and foreign law enforcement agencies, the Muslim Brotherhood has instructed its members to engage in hostile intelligence gathering and influence operations against the United States.

One such document is the [December 1982 document](#) discovered by Swiss law enforcement in the Lugano, Switzerland home of [self-identified](#) Muslim Brotherhood financier Yousef Nada.⁹⁹ MB/HAMAS member Azzam Tamimi identified the document, as being the “[Global Project for Palestine](#)” prepared by the MB in Amman, Jordan.¹⁰⁰ The document instructs the MB to establish intelligence capabilities:

THE TENTH POINT OF DEPARTURE

To use diverse and varied surveillance systems, in several places, to gather information and adopt a single effective warning system serving the worldwide Islamic movement. In fact, surveillance, policy decisions and effective communications complement each other.

a-Elements:

To make the policy decisions to collect important and precise information.

To diffuse Islamic policy so that it is largely and efficiently covered by the media.

b-Procedures:

To create a modern surveillance system by means of advanced technology (possibly created at the research centers mentioned earlier).

To create an effective and serious media centre.

c- Suggested Missions:

To warn Muslims of the dangers that threaten them and the international conspiracies directed at them.

To give our views on current events and future issues.

The document also instructs the MB to conduct influence operations targeting “Centers of power” worldwide:

THE FIFTH POINT OF DEPARTURE

To dedicate ourselves to the establishment of an Islamic state, in parallel with gradual efforts aimed at gaining control of local power centers through institutional action.

a- Elements

To channel thought, education and action in order to establish an Islamic power [government] on the earth.

To influence centers of power both local and worldwide to the service of Islam.

b- Procedures

To prepare a scientific study on the possibility of establishing the reign of God throughout the world according to established priorities.

⁹⁹ For the text of the Project see, The Investigative Project on Terrorism, “The Project,” <http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/misc/687.pdf>. Nada’s authorized biography is entitled, “Inside the Muslim Brotherhood: The Truth About the World’s Most Powerful Political Movement,” <http://www.amazon.com/Inside-Muslim-Brotherhood-Powerful-Political/dp/1857826876> For more on The Project and its discovery by Swiss law enforcement see, Patrick Poole, “The Muslim Brotherhood ‘Project’”, Frontpage Magazine, May 11, 2006, <http://archive.frontpagemag.com/readarticle.aspx?ARTID=4476>

¹⁰⁰ Patrick Poole, “The Origins of the Muslim Brotherhood ‘Project’” FrontPage Magazine, July 24, 2008 <http://archive.frontpagemag.com/readarticle.aspx?ARTID=4476>

To study the centers of power, both local and worldwide, and the possibilities of placing them under influence.

To conduct a modern study on the concept of support for the *dawa* and Islamic law, and more particularly on the men of influence in the State and the country.

While the “Project” document appears to provide only vague guidelines for future effort, additional information on Muslim Brotherhood intelligence-gathering is found in the transcript of an audiotape of MB Masul (a regional leader) Zeid al-Noman, entitled “[Ikhwan in America](#)” and introduced as evidence in the Holy Land Foundation Trial. In the tape, Al-Noman answers a question about what is meant by the use of the term “Securing the Group”, as listed among the MB’s goals in North America. Al-Noman explains,

"Securing the Group" is the Groups' security, the Group's security against outside dangers. For instance, to monitor the suspicious movements on the...., which exist on the American front such as Zionism, Masonry etc. Monitoring the suspicious movements or the sides, the government bodies such as the CIA, FBI. ..etc, so that we find out if they are monitoring us, are we not being monitored, how can we get rid of them.”¹⁰¹

Noman confirms the MB’s interest in conducting counter-intelligence against U.S. law enforcement and intelligence agencies, in order to determine what the U.S. government knows about its efforts, and to undermine them where possible.

Having shown that the MB has made conducting intelligence operations against the U.S. government a priority, we also know that the MB has undertaken efforts to create at least one organization in order to achieve this goal, namely the Center of the Studies, the Intelligence and the Information.

The Charter of the [Center of the Studies, the Intelligence and the Information](#), uncovered in a search of the home of convicted Palestinian Islamic Jihad organizer Sami Al-Arian, was described by Federal Agent David Kane in an affidavit as “a comprehensive plan to establish a hostile intelligence organization in the United States and elsewhere.”¹⁰² Included in the Charter are specific instructions to target U.S. intelligence-gathering agencies. In the Affidavit Kane writes regarding the Charter:

43. Also located at the search of Al-Arian’s residence was a document, hand written in Arabic, called the Charter of the Center of the Studies, the Intelligence and the Information. This document, hereinafter called “the Charter,” set forth a comprehensive plan to establish a hostile intelligence organization in the United States and elsewhere. It stated that:

Our presence in North America gives us a unique opportunity to monitor, explore and follow up We are in the center which leads the conspiracy against our Islamic world Therefore, we, here can monitor and watch the American policies and the activities of those questionable organizations Therefore, we have the capability to establish a Center for Studies, Intelligence and Information.

44. The Charter provided for a "Division of Security and Military Affairs," whose functions were to

¹⁰¹ Government Exhibit, “Elbarasse Search-2,” USA v. Holy Land Foundation For Relief and Development, <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/judges/hlf2/09-25-08/Elbarasse%20Search%202.pdf>

¹⁰² David Kane, “AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR SEARCH WARRANT”, OCTOBER 2003 accessed https://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/891.pdf The entire Charter can be read at http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/533.pdf

prepare training programs for the brothers. These programs include physical training, surveillance training . . . programs for military training benefitting from the available opportunities that exist in this country To make technical studies with the objective of availing spying and military tools and devices to the Group in America and the East and about the spying methods and equipment in these countries.

45. The Charter provided for an Organization/Law Studies Section whose job it would be to study the legal aspect of establishing charitable organizations in America.

46. The Charter provided for the establishment of an Intelligence and Monitoring Apparatus, part of which would be responsible to "to watch the individuals who oppose the Movement and the Islamic actions. To watch them, monitor them and to make files on them. . . 30 ." Members of the Group should be able to "infiltrate the sensitive intelligence agencies or the embassies in order to collect information and build close relationships with the people in charge in these establishments." They should also use every opportunity to "collect information from those relatives and friends who work in sensitive positions in the government, et cetera"

The MB's record of creating intelligence organs and engaging in hostile intelligence operations has also been noted in the press. A February, 21, 2011 [Associated Press article](#) reported that, "[MB deputy guide Khairat] el-Shater, according to the former Brotherhood members and security officials, is suspected of running an information gathering operation capable of eavesdropping on telephones and email." Additionally the report noted former members as indicating "the group had six "mini intelligence centers," including one housed in its headquarters in the Cairo district of Moqqatam."¹⁰³

Additionally, individuals with identified connections to Foreign Intelligence Services (FIS) have been noted to have MB connections. For example, there is the case of Ghulam Nabi Fai, [an individual who pled guilty](#) to serving as an unregistered Foreign Agent for Pakistan's ISIS intelligence service.¹⁰⁴ Fai served on the Advisory Council of ISNA [and had numerous other MB](#) connections.¹⁰⁵ Fai and Rep. Carson both were speakers at the 39th Annual ICNA-MAS convention, although they did not appear on the same panels.¹⁰⁶

¹⁰³ Associated Press, "Egypt's Brotherhood still operates secretly," February 21, 2013 <http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0.7340.L-4347738.00.html>

¹⁰⁴ Patrick Poole, "The Biggest D.C. Spy Scandal You Haven't Heard About (Part One)," August 14, 2012, PJ Media, <http://pjmedia.com/blog/the-biggest-d-c-spy-scandal-you-havent-heard-about-part-one/?singlepage=true>

¹⁰⁵ Patrick Poole, "The Biggest D.C. Spy Scandal You Haven't Heard About (Part Two)" PJ Media, August 16, 2012, <http://pjmedia.com/blog/the-biggest-d-c-spy-scandal-you-havent-heard-about-part-two/?singlepage=true>

¹⁰⁶ For confirmation that Fai attended 39th annual ICNA-Mas Conference see: "Modi – Sharif Meeting Offers Hope for Peace In South Asia: Dr. Fai", KashmirWatch.com, May 28, 2014, <http://kashmirwatch.com/index.php/2014/05/28/modi-8211-sharif-meeting-offers-hope-for-peace-in-south-asia-dr-fai.html>

APPENDIX II

A WHO'S WHO OF SOME OF REP. ANDRÉ CARSON'S MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

Nihad Awad¹⁰⁷

- Executive Director of CAIR National (a founding member of U.S. Council of Muslim Organizations); under Awad's leadership, CAIR consistently has taken stands against U.S. efforts to disrupt terrorist financing networks and issues knee-jerk condemnations of criminal prosecutions targeting Islamic jihadis;
- One of the founders of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR);
- Public Relations Director for the Islamic Association for Palestine (IAP) in 1993 and 1994. IAP United States. A 2001 Immigration and Naturalization Service memo documented IAP's support for Hamas and found that the "facts strongly suggest" that IAP was "part of Hamas' propaganda apparatus.";
- IAP also came up in a memorandum opinion in the case of *Holy Land Foundation v. Ashcroft*, in which the Holy Land Foundation unsuccessfully sued then-Attorney General John Ashcroft to challenge its designation as a Specially Designated Terrorist Entity. U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler found that "Islamic Association for Palestine ("IAP") has acted in support of Hamas." Included in that support was the IAP's publication and distribution of Hamas documents, including its virulently anti-Semitic charter;
- Evidence released in the HLF trial [reveals](#) that IAP was a member of the Muslim Brotherhood's "[Palestine Committee](#)" in the United States. According to an [internal Brotherhood report](#), the Brotherhood created the IAP to "serve the cause of Palestine on the political and the media fronts." An [internal memo](#) calls on the Palestine Committee members, to work to "increase the financial and the moral support for Hamas" to "fight surrendering solutions," and to publicize and focus on "the savagery of the Jews.";
- Awad is the 32nd person included on the Palestine Committee's internal [telephone list](#).
- Awad has past ties to [Hamas](#), designated a foreign terrorist organization by the United States in 1995. In fact, Awad publicly declared "I am in support of the Hamas movement," during a [March 1994 symposium](#) at Barry University. That statement came six months after Awad [attended](#) a secret three-day summit in Philadelphia attended by people the FBI considered Hamas members or supporters. During a 2003 deposition, Awad would not deny attending the meeting, saying he didn't remember whether he did.; and
- Awad rejected coexistence between Israelis and Palestinians at a [Right of Return rally](#) in front of the White House on September 16, 2000, stating, "they [Jews] have been saying 'next year to Jerusalem,' we say 'next year to all Palestine.'"

Jamal Badawi¹⁰⁸

- Serves as [member at large](#) on ISNA's governing board, which is deeply rooted in the Muslim Brotherhood's North American infrastructure as records show;
- Listed on [the first page](#) of a 1992 telephone directory of Brotherhood members;
- Founding member of the Muslim American Society (MAS), [identified](#) as the Brotherhood's U.S. arm in a 2004 *Chicago Tribune* story; Federal [prosecutors say](#) MAS was "founded as the overt arm of the

¹⁰⁷ Adapted from, Investigative Project on Terrorism, "Apologists or Extremists: Nihad Awad," August 4, 2010, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/profile/113>

¹⁰⁸ Adapted from Investigative Project on Terrorism, "Jamal Badawi: Enduring Link to ISNA's Radical Past," May 8, 2012, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/3569/jamal-badawi-enduring-link-to-isna-radical-past>

Muslim Brotherhood in the United States.” A [telephone book described in testimony](#) by a prosecution expert witness as listing Muslim Brotherhood members in the U.S. includes Ahmad Elkadi, Jamal Badawi, and Omar Soubani, MAS's three founding directors;

- Keynote speaker for the Islamic Society of North America (ISNA); Muslim Brotherhood members also [created ISNA](#) in 1981 as an outgrowth of the Muslim Students' Association;
- The Brotherhood, founded in Egypt in 1928, has surged to power in recent Egyptian elections and has a global Islamic state, or Caliphate, as its ultimate goal. Its American arm [cited](#) an educational program Badawi ran in 1991 as a foundation for “dawah,” or proselytizing, in America. That same document [described](#) the Brotherhood's work in America as “a kind of grand Jihad in eliminating and destroying the Western civilization from within and 'sabotaging' its miserable house by their hands and the hands of the believers so that it is eliminated and God's religion is made victorious over all other religions.”; and
- Badawi's comments over the years show he views Islam as superior to democracy and that he defends violent jihad, including suicide bombings, as a form of martyrdom. Such statements, in addition to his Brotherhood connections, make it difficult for ISNA to claim that it has [shed its radical past and MB ties](#).
- During a MAS conference in Los Angeles in 2006, Badawi preached that democracy falls short of what Islam offers. It is “not only for the problems of any particular society, America or otherwise but the solution for the world.... And we believe that Islam is the only solution not only to the problems of America but to the malaise of the world at large.”

Mahdi Bray¹⁰⁹

- A former Baptist who converted to Islam in 1976, Bray describes himself as a “long time civil and human rights activist” and has held positions as the political director of the Muslim Public Affairs Council (MPAC) and president of the Coordinating Council of Muslim Organizations (CCMO);
- Served as executive director of the Muslim American Society (MAS) Freedom Foundation until [suffering a stroke](#) in late 2010. MAS announced the Freedom Foundation would [close](#) in June 2011;
- In his past roles, Bray defended terrorists and those alleged to be supporting them. For instance, in March 2004, he declared the Israeli assassination of [Hamas](#) spiritual leader Ahmed Yassin as “an unlawful, cowardly and dangerous act of state-sponsored terrorism.”;
- Bray has made at least two trips to Cairo to stand in solidarity with Muslim Brotherhood members facing military tribunals for membership in a banned organization;
- He traveled repeatedly to Dallas in support of defendants in the Hamas-support case against the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development (HLF). After a 2007 trial ended in a hung jury, the five defendants were [convicted](#) following a retrial in November on 108 counts;
- Beyond his criminal history and the voter registration issues, Bray has a history of defending accused terrorist supporters, and of offering misleading statements about his organization's history and his own actions;

¹⁰⁹ Adapted from Investigative Project on Terrorism, “Apologists or Extremists: Mahdi Bray,” June 20, 2011, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/profile/112> and IPT News, “Mahdi Bray: Voting With Conviction,” March 27, 2009, <http://www.investigativeproject.org/1015/mahdi-bray-voting-with-conviction>

- Bray similarly has defended Ali Al-Timimi, who is serving a life sentence for soliciting others to wage war against the United States and attempting to contribute services to the Taliban. The conviction, Bray said, “bodes ill” for the First Amendment; and
- At a Washington, D.C. [rally](#) in 2000, Bray shared the stage with Abdurahamn Alamoudi as Alamoudi declared his support for Hamas and [Hizballah](#). Bray signaled his support for the terrorist organizations, pumping his fist up in the air and grinning as the crowd cheered.

Oussama Jammal¹¹⁰

- Secretary General, U.S. Council of Muslim Organizations
- Vice president of the Mosque Foundation in Bridgeview, Illinois, where he is a past president. Two among the Mosque Foundation’s current leaders, Sheikh Jamal Said and Sheik Kifah Mustapha, were named as unindicted co-conspirators in the Holy Land Foundation (HLF) Hamas financing trial in Texas, which concluded in late 2008 with a unanimous guilty verdict on 108 counts.
- Executive Director for Illinois MAS Public Affairs and Civic Engagement (PACE) and Member of MAS National Executive Council. The MAS presents itself as “a non-profit 501(C)(3) organization,” and “a dynamic charitable, religious, social, cultural, and educational, organization” with a mission “to move people to strive for God consciousness, liberty, and justice, and to convey Islam with utmost clarity.”
- President of Fine Media Group, the distribution company for the film *Mohammed: The Last Prophet*, which was completed just months before the 11 September 2001 attacks. The Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR) praised the film as an opportunity for individuals and families from all faith backgrounds “to learn more about an historic figure like Prophet Mohammed and events that shaped today’s world.”
- In February 2004, Ousama Jammal, then president of the Mosque Foundation in Bridgeview, Illinois characterized the U.S. government counterterrorism program as a “witch hunt.” He declared a “Zionist agenda” prompted federal officials to close three Islamic charities operating near the mosque to prevent Sabri Samirah, a leader from the mosque and Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Islamic Association for Palestine (IAP), from returning to the U.S. from Jordan. HAMAS operative – Mousa Abu Marzook – established the Islamic Association for Palestine in 1981. On 8 October 1987, the U.S. Department of State (DoS) designated HAMAS a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO). The IAP was also parent to the Council on American Islamic Relations, which was incorporated in 1994 by the IAP leadership that included Nihad Awad (current CAIR National Executive Director and USCMO member), Omar Ahmad, and Rafeeq Jaber.

¹¹⁰ Center for Security policy, “US Department of State Recruited At Muslim Brotherhood Convention,” December 1, 2014, <http://www.centerforsecuritypolicy.org/2014/12/01/us-department-of-state-recruited-at-muslim-brotherhood-convention/> and Center for Security Policy, “Why is USCMO Banquet Featuring Congressional Members Still Secret?”, September 11, 2014, <http://www.centerforsecuritypolicy.org/2014/09/11/why-is-uscmo-banquet-featuring-congressional-members-still-secret/>

- Imam of At-Taqwa Mosque in Brooklyn, New York
- On a list of unindicted coconspirators in the trial of the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center.
- Wahhaj provided testimony during the trial to defend the Blind Sheikh, Omar Abdel-Rahman, the former leader of the Egyptian terrorist organization, Gama'a al-Islamiyya. Rahman was found guilty of "conspiracy to murder President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt," "solicitation to attack a military installation," and of bombing conspiracy related to a plot to bomb the New York FBI headquarters along with tunnels and other landmarks. During Wahhaj's testimony, he called the Sheikh a "respected scholar," also calling him "bold, as a strong preacher of Islam."
- In addition to these ties, Wahhaj has made pro-jihadist statements while lecturing at the Islamic Association of Northern Texas. In November of 1991, Wahhaj advocated the establishment of an Islamic State in the U.S.: "Where ever you came from, you came to America. And *you came for one reason- for one reason only – to establish Allah's deen.*" [emphasis added]
- During the same lecture *Wahhaj predicted the demise of America unless it accepted "the Islamic agenda,"* citing the fall of the Soviet Union as a warning sign. [emphasis added] He added that "there will never be an Islamic State, never, until there's first an Islamic state of mind," and that Muslim should be involved in politics not because, "it's the American thing to do. You get involved in politics because *politics are a weapon to use in the cause of Islam.*" [emphasis added]

¹¹¹ Listed of unindicted Co-conspirators in "USA v. Rahman," accessed at http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/936.pdf See also, Investigative Project on Terrorism, "Profile of Masjid Al-Taqwa," <http://www.investigativeproject.org/case/409> and "Testimony of Siraj Wahhaj" accessed at http://www.investigativeproject.org/documents/case_docs/1664.pdf

APPENDIX III

CENTER FOR SECURITY POLICY LETTER TO REPRESENTATIVE ANDRÉ CARSON REGARDING SUSPECTED CAIR F.A.R.A. VIOLATIONS ¹¹²

October 29, 2010

Rep. André Carson Washington Office
425 Cannon HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515-1407

Dear Rep. Carson:

I write to alert you to a possible violation of the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA) which apparently targeted you as the subject of a foreign influence operation. You endorsed the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) in the program of its annual banquet on October 9, 2010. We believe that CAIR is an organization which meets the definition of a foreign agent under the terms of the FARA. In your letter to the organization, you wrote: “This organization is dedicated to defending civil liberties and strengthening ties between communities, cultures and leader.” We believe that CAIR’s attempt to influence you, as a sitting Member of Congress, is a violation of FARA because CAIR has failed to register as a foreign agent in accordance with the law.

FARA is a disclosure statute that requires entities acting in the United States as agents of foreign principals in a political capacity to register and to make periodic public disclosure of their relationship.

Specifically, FARA § 611 (o) states that foreign agents who engage in any activity to “influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States” must register as a foreign agent and report such activity to the Department of Justice. At the CAIRObservatory.org website (<http://www.cairobservatory.org>), we provide documentation showing CAIR has met and coordinated with representatives of foreign principals on more than 30 occasions and engaged in over 60 political influence operations on their behalf. CAIR has failed to report these influence operations.

In addition, FARA § 612 (a) (5) requires that a foreign agent report “the nature and amount of contributions, income, money, or thing of value” that they receive from foreign principals. At the CAIRObservatory.org website we provide documentation showing that CAIR has received more than \$6.6 million in cash and loans and more than \$50 million in pledges from foreign principals based in Saudi Arabia, Iran, the United Arab Emirates and Kuwait. CAIR has failed to report these payments.

FARA § 618 (a) also states that any foreign agent who willfully violates any provision of the law may be “punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment for not more than five years, or both.” Complete information on these and other aspects of the FARA code can be found at the Department of Justice website (<http://www.justice.gov/criminal/fara/>).

¹¹² The Center’s letter to Rep. André Carson is documented online at <http://cairunmasked.org/?p=5049>

It is our opinion that the evidence showing that CAIR should register as a foreign agent is conclusive. Hundreds of Americans including elected officials, community groups, corporations and private citizens have been – and continue to be – targeted by CAIR. CAIR continues to deny these facts, but as John Adams famously wrote: “Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passion, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence.”

The fact is that CAIR has a long history of trouble with the law. CAIR was named as an unindicted co-conspirator in U.S. v. Holy Land Foundation, the largest terrorism finance trial in America’s history. CAIR is being sued by Muslim, African-American, and Hispanic families for defrauding them instead of giving them promised legal help. Four CAIR leaders have been convicted of felonies including terrorism. Only 1% of CAIR’s latest reported revenues actually came from Muslim-American membership dues. And according to the February 2, 2010 edition of the news website Politico.com, “A grand jury that subpoenaed documents relating to the Council on American-Islamic Relations is investigating possible violations of federal laws barring financial transactions with terrorist groups and countries subject to U.S. sanctions, according to a new court filing.”

We have concluded on the basis of this evidence that CAIR’s influence operations appear to be designed to intimidate all Americans, including Muslim Americans, in ways that endanger the First Amendment and national security. CAIR attempts to silence anyone opposed to the Muslim Brotherhood’s insinuation of Shariah – the totalitarian doctrine of authoritative Islamic law – into the United States, with a relentless program of accusations of bias, racism and “Islamophobia.” We urge you to join us in opposing these political influence operations funded by foreign principals.

The interests of the American people can be served only if CAIR follows the law, registers as a foreign agent with the FARA office, and reports all political and public propaganda initiatives. We ask you to request that the FARA Unit investigate CAIR’s attempted influence operation to pressure you on behalf of foreign principals. The FARA Registration Unit of the Counterespionage Section (CES) is located in the National Security Division (NSD) of the Department of Justice (1400 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 100, Washington, D.C. 20005).

Sincerely,

/S/

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President & CEO