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## S1 TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS

**JANUARY 28, 2010** 

- Thank you, and welcome. I'm very happy to have a chance to join you.
- I'm proud of the fact that DHS has built some strong relationships with many American-Muslim, Arab, Sikh, South Asian, and Somali communities around the country.
  - o Engagement with communities across America and understanding the concerns of communities is part of the DHS mission.
  - o And we have an obligation to protect the civil rights and civil liberties of all Americans.
- We therefore need strong relationships with groups like yours so we can build robust two-way communications links and solve problems together when they arise.
- Like all Americans, you have been strong advocates for promoting the safety and security of our nation. And we know you condemn those who would use violence in the name of your religion.
- As you are well aware, the range of threats facing our Nation continues to evolve. And indeed we share a common interest in making sure that individuals do not seek to harm our fellow citizens.
- The small number of violent extremists pose a threat to all our communities and to our way of life.