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dear brother mahmoud, regarding your activity on sept you can go ahead and do it, her we talking about nation wide events, coordinated among the coalion and its allies with the national organization, thanks.



Salam all,

SAC started the campaign for walk for children of Syria about 6 weeks ago. The idea is to have a walk in all major cities in US on September 8 5-7 pm. The main goal is to increase awareness among Americans and to generate some funds that will be sent to people inside Syria or the refugees. We created special logo for the event (this is the web site <a href="http://walk4childrenofsyria.org/">http://walk4childrenofsyria.org/</a>). We invited many organizations to endorse the event like doctors without borders, amnesty international, red cross, human rights watch and other big organizations.

If all the brothers in this list and their organizations can endorse the event and publicise it on their web site, face book pages and email lists that will be great. If any organization agrees to do this, please email me the name of the organization so we can add it to the web site.

If you have any questions please let me know.

JAK

Mahmoud Khattab Chairman, Syrian American Council

On Sun, Jul 29, 2012 at 2:48 PM, Mohammed A Ghanem < see Salam All,

Thanks brother Nihad for your message and for your willingness to raise awareness about human suffering in Syria.

You discussed two main ideas at the meeting

- 1. National Solidarity Day for Syria on August 17 on which all masajid across the US will dedicate the khutba to Syria in order to:
- 1. Raise awareness about the plights of Syrians
- 2. Mobilize the American Muslim community to help put pressure on the government to take more serious action in Syria

We, the Syrian American organizations, will be helping with the literature, i.e. information and details about the suffering in Syria as well as the 'asks' or ways the public can help with

We're meeting with you tomorrow at 2:00 pm to discuss that plus further details. Basel, Sasha, and I are the ones working on the materials.

2. You suggested a walk for Syria (walkathon) to turn Syria into an American issue. I shared that SAC is already working on Walk for the Children of Syria, which is quite similar to what you suggested. Here's the website to the campaign that Dr. Mahmoud Khattab is working on. They had a successful event at LA yesterday.

#### http://walk4childrenofsyria.org/

We would be grateful if WFCOS could be adopted by the participating organizations. This is to ask Dr. Khattab, who is copied in, to provide more details about the project and to tell us what kind of support they need.

All best Mohammed

Mohammed Alaa Ghanem

Government Relations Director/Strategist Syrian American Council 20 F Street, Washington D.C. 20001

http://www.sacouncil.com/

SAC is a grassroots organization devoted to promoting educational, civic, economic, and human development, as well as advancing civil liberties and human dignity in Syria. It aspires to build bridges of understanding and cooperation between the American and Syrian peoples and institutions.

We have not received the minutes or the action items and who was assigned to do them in order for us to know and do our part, unless I missed them. But here what I remember we agreed to:

The two main action items:

- 1- A joint declaration of August 17th as a National day for Syria to be announced by this coming week which will include:
- a- Urging mosques to designate Friday August 17th's khutba for Syria. Talking points should provided to us by the national Syrian organizations who were present at the meeting.

b-Fundraising for Syria in the same day. The Syrian groups will provide a list of registered and licensed 501 C3 relief organizations.

c-A call on the US administration and other elected reps. to help the Syrian people. Talking points should provided to us by the national Syrian organizations who were present at the meeting.

Representatives of the organization who were assigned to draft the above item will come to CAIR's office on Monday, July 30, at 2PM EST to prepare it.

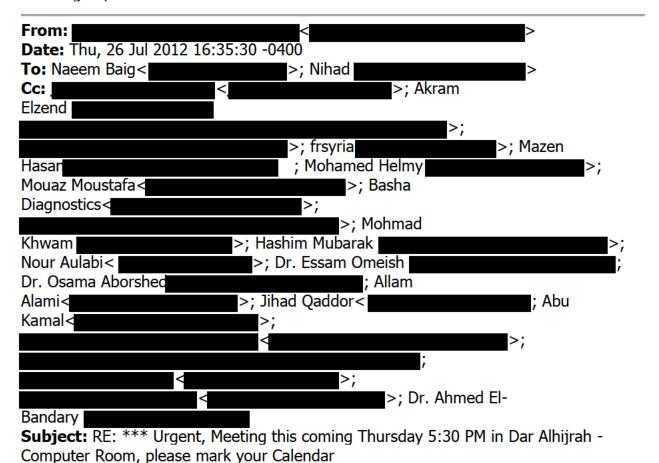
2-A nationwide walk for Syria. (Date was not confirmed at the meeting, however, it was noted that Syrian American Council SAC chose September 8th for this day. More details should be provided soon.

Thank you,

Nihad Awad Nihad Awad National Executive Director Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR)

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Sorry brother I can not make, I was at the airport but the flight delay because of the storm.

Hope you have productive meeting

Mohamad Albadawi Mercy Without Borders

Original Message	
Subject: RE: *** Urgent, Meeting this coming Thursday	5:30 PM in Dar
Alhijrah - Computer Room, please mark your Calendar From: Naeem Baig	
Date: Thu, July 26, 2012 3:31 pm	
To: Nihad Awad	
Cc:	Akram Elzend
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Mohamed Helmy < >, Mouaz Moust	
Basha Diagnostics <	>,
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>, Hashim Mubarak	
Nour Aulabi >, "Dr. Essam Omeish"	
>, "Dr. Osama Aborshed"	>,
Allam Alami >, Jihad Qaddor	,
Abu Kamal ,	
	"Dr. Ahmed El-Bandary"
Good suggestion.	
Naeem	
On Jul 26, 2012 4:07 PM, "Nihad Awad"	wrote:

Sorry for the delayed reply.

I would just amend that item to say 'Urge the US government to support the FSA (Free Syrian Army) with all necessary equipment to defend the country and the civilians from Asad's forces and thugs." This way it does not imply that NGOs like ours are involved in aiding a foreign armed group.

Sincerely,

Salaams,

Nihad Awad National Executive Director



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To: Nihad Awad
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Dr. Osama Aborshed; Akram Elzend;
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Qaddor; Allam Alami; Hashim Mubarak; Dr. Essam Omeish;
Mazen Hasan; Abu Kamal
Subject: Re: \*\*\* Urgent, Meeting this coming Thursday 5:30 PM in Dar Alhijrah - Computer Room, please mark your Calendar

Dear Respected Brother Nihad,

Assalamu Alikum Wr. Wb.

Please send me the modification suitable for this item and I will modify it in the agenda,

Thank you for your leadership and willingness to arrange this important meeting.

Inshallah I am planning to be there. But I wanted to raise a concern prior to the meeting. The agenda notes, "Support the FSA (Free Syrian Army) with all necessary equipment to defend the country and the civilians from Asad's forces and thugs." CAIR would support political efforts to seek administration support for sending supplies to the FSA, we could not participate in an effort of non-governmental parties to do so. Therefore, I suggest that that item on the agenda be modified to enable some of us to attend.

Sincerely,

Nihad Awad National Executive Director



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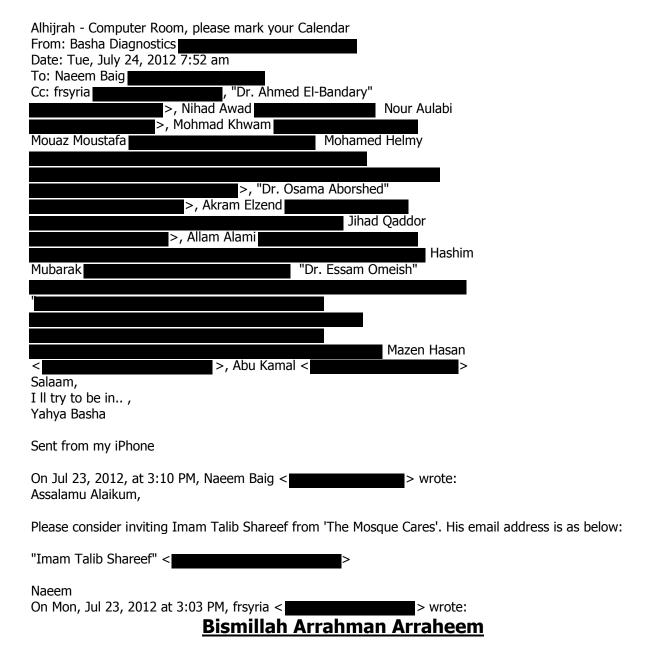
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If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you re a leader."
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### Dear Brother and Leaders:

Assalamu Alikum Wr. Wb. And Ramadan Mubarak to You All, May Allah SWT Brings Peace to all Muslim, Ameen...

Thank you for accepting our invitation to meet this Thursday at 5:30 in Dar Alhijra, and many thanks to Dar Alhijra hosting this meeting.

The attendees are the following:

# Muslim Organizations Leaders:

- 1- CAIR Br. Nihad Awad
- 2- MAS Dr. Ahmed Elbandari
- 3- ISNA / ADAMS Center Imam Majid

- 4- ICNA Br. Farooq Reza / Br. Zahid Bukhari
- 5- Dar Alhijra Imam Shakir Sayed / Dr. Mohamed Helmy / Dr. Akram Elzend / Br. Mohamed Dawood
- 6- Mostafa Center (Not Confirmed yet If Possible someone can help to connect me with some key person)
- 7- IIIT Dr. Jamal Barzanji
- 8- Nation Of Islam (If Possible someone can help to connect me with some key person)
- 9- Other Organizations

## <u>Intellectuals and Activists</u>

- 1- Dr. Osama Aburshaid
- 2- Dr. Essam Omeish
- 3- Br. Allam Alami
- 4- Br. Ashraf Noubani

## **Charity Organization:**

- 1- Islamic Relief Abulkareem Ayoub
- 2- Life Not Confirmed Yet
- 3- Mercy Without Borders Br. Mohamed Naser
- 4- Syrian Relief and Development Dr. Jihad Kaddour
- 5- Muslim Without Borders Br. Shafi Khan

# Syrian Organizations

- 1- Syrian Emergency Task Force Dr. Bassam Estwani / Dr. Mohamed Khawam , Dr. Hashim Mubarak, Abu Moutasem / Dr. Nour Aulabi / Mouaz Moustafa.
- 2- United For Free Syria Dr. Yahya Basha
- 3- Syrian Expatriate Dr. Mazen Alhassan
- 4- Syrian American Council Dr. Hisham Naji / Br. Mohamed Ghanim
- a. \*\* Dr. Yahya Basha is also part of Syrian Emergency Task Force
- b. \*\* Br. Mouaz Moustafa is part of Syrian Emergency Task Force United for Free Syria and Syrian Expatriate as he is the lobbyist Director
- c. \*\* Dr. Hashim Mubarak is BOT member for SRD

# Meeting Objective

Syrian Organization would like the Muslim Organizations Leader to play a major role to help the Syrian Cause in the following Issues:

- 5- Major Political Campaign to:
- a. Support the FSA (Free Syrian Army) with all necessary equipment to defend the country and the civilians from Asad's forces and thugs
- b. To Support a transitioning government elected by the revolution leaders in Syria and not by any pressure from any side
- c. To pressure Neighboring Countries to treats the Syrian refugees in good way and provide them with all necessary humanitarian needs and safety
- d. Provide humanitarian aids to Syria
- e. Release none lethal equipment promised by the Administration
- f. Release allocated fund designated by the administration to Syria
- g. Any other suggestions or Ideas ------How:
- a- Email Campaign and phone calls to the White House, Congress, House of Senate, DOD and any other suggested agency (Like Arm Services)
- b- Meet with Romni's Campaign for similar requests
- c- Any Other Ideas
- 6- Major Media Campaign
- 7- Major fundraising campaign throughout the mosques nationwide
- 8- Major rally in front of the white house similar to the rally took place few years ago for Bosnia and with major speeches and another rally front of the Russian and Chinese Embassy
- 9- All Muslim Organization Demands meeting with President Obama to address the Syrian Issue
- 10- Friday Kkutbas nationwide as an awareness of what is happening in
- 11- Syria
- 12- Any Additional Issues and Ideas

# Meeting Agenda

- 1- 5:30 to 5:45 Introduction
- 2- 5:45 to 6:15 Word from the Syrian Organizations to All Muslim Organizations
- a. Introduction Abou Moutasem
- b. The Responsibility and Duty of Muslim Organizations Dr. Bassam Estwani
- c. Addressing the above list of requests Dr. Yahya Basha / Dr. Hisham Naji

- d. Charity Organizations IR, CWB, SRD, Life, MWB Charity issues and need for Syria
- 3- 6:15 6:45 Presentation of political and legal work done by various Syrian Organizations (Dr. Yahya Basha, Mouaz Moustafa Political Work, Dr. Mohamed Khawam Legal Work, Dr. Yah)
- 4- 6:45 to 7:15 Questions and Discussion
- 5- 7:15 to 7:45 What Muslim Organizations can do:
- a. CAIR Br. Nihad Awad
- b. MAS Dr. Ahmed Elbandari
- c. ISNA / ADAMS Center Imam Majid
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- h. Other Organizations
- 6- What Activists and Intellectuals can do?
- a. Dr. Osama Aburshaid
- b. Dr. Essam Omeish
- c. Br. Allam Alami
- d. Br. Ashraf Noubani
- 7- 7:45 to 8:15 Open Discussion
- 8- 8:15 to Maghrib Action List

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