



Governor Abbott Sends Letter To U.S. Secretary Bessent Requesting Suspension of CAIR's Tax-Exempt Status

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Governor Greg Abbott today sent a [letter](#) to U.S. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent to request the Treasury Department launch an investigation into the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) and suspend its status as a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization.

"Federal investigators and court filings identify CAIR as a direct subsidiary of the Muslim Brotherhood and as a 'front group' for Hamas in the United States," reads the letter. "Accordingly, I respectfully request that you investigate CAIR for suspension of its tax-exempt status. Americans have generous hearts, and federal law wisely creates incentives to donate to nonprofit organizations that promote the public good. But charity must not become a backdoor to sponsor terrorism, endanger Americans, and subvert our democracy."

[Read the Governor's letter to Secretary Bessent.](#)

Governor Abbott continues to take action to uphold the rule of law and defend Texas from threats posed by the Muslim Brotherhood and CAIR, including:

- Designating the Muslim Brotherhood and CAIR as foreign terrorist organizations
- Calling for investigations into Sharia courts
- Directing the Texas Department of Public Safety to investigate the Muslim Brotherhood and CAIR