

PRESS ADVISORY

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NYPD continues to meet with hand-selected individuals, excluding critics

Broad coalition of Muslim organizations to announce community demands

Following the meeting orchestrated by the NYPD this past Tuesday with a few hand-selected individuals, the NYPD is holding yet another meeting with persons of its own choosing. Today's meeting purposely excludes community leaders and organizations that have been requesting meetings with Commissioner Kelly for over a year, since the news broke of the *Third Jihad* airing.

Despite these calls, Commissioner Kelly has persistently refused to discuss the merit of the NYPD actions. Just today, the Associated Press released another troubling NYPD document which details the NYPD's discriminatory surveillance of New York's Muslim communities. The document outlines the strategy for spying on New York's Syrian population, with a particular "focus on the smaller Muslim community." At the heels of such increasingly revealing reports, increasing community mobilization and mounting public pressure from Muslim communities, lawmakers, and even the FBI, the NYPD is manipulatively trying to hold sham meetings without addressing the concerns of the community or admitting the NYPD actions as wrong if not illegal.

The agenda of these closed meetings remains predetermined and unresponsive to the questions and demands being raised by local leaders and organizations, and mirrors the NYPD's pattern of secrecy and blatant disregard for accountability to the broader Muslim communities and the general Public.

Who: Muslim communities, religious leaders, directly impacted community members, and legal and community advocates.

What: Press Conference at One Police Plaza

When: Friday, March 9, 2012 at 4:30pm

The Majlis ash-Shura (Islamic Leadership Council of Metropolitan NY), the Muslim American Civil Liberties Coalition (MACLC) and concerned allies, jointly representing over 50 organizations, are holding a press conference to reject the NYPD's manipulative tactics, and publicly announce the collective demands for the NYPD.

Muslim American Civil Liberties Coalition	Majlis ash-Shura (Islamic Leadership Council) of Metropolitan NY
Women In Islam, Inc.	BOROUGH QUEENS
Muslim Bar Association of New York	Al-Heera Islamic Institute
	Cen. For Am. Muslim Res. & Info.
	Hillside Islamic Center
Council on American Islamic Relations - New York	ICNA – NY

<p>DRUM - Desis Rising Up and Moving</p> <p>Arab American Association of New York</p> <p>Muslim Consultative Network</p> <p>Arab Muslim Federation</p> <p>Asian American Legal Defense & Education Fund</p> <p>Association of Muslim American Lawyers</p> <p>Muslim Progressive Traditionalist Alliance</p> <p>CLEAR - Creating Law Enforcement Accountability & Responsibility, Main Street Legal Services, City University of New York School of Law</p> <p>Additional Allies</p> <p>Muslim Peace Coalition – NY Chapter</p> <p>Jews Against Islamophobia</p> <p>(List in Formation)</p>	<p>Islamic Foundation of New York</p> <p>Masjid Omar Ben-Abdel Aziz</p> <p>Masjid Abdul Muhaymin</p> <p>Masjid Al-Hamdu-Lillah</p> <p>Masjid Darul Da'wah (MAS-Queens)</p> <p>Muslim Center of New York</p> <p>Muslim Foundation of America</p> <p>Tauhid:Center for Islamic Dev.</p> <p>Woodhaven Jame Masjid</p> <p>BOROUGH BROOKLYN</p> <p>Brooklyn Broadway Jame Masjid</p> <p>Islamic Society of Bay Ridge</p> <p>Islamic Mission of America</p> <p>MAS - NY</p> <p>MAS Youth Center (MAS-Brooklyn)</p> <p>Masjid Al-Arqam</p> <p>Masjid Alfarouq</p> <p>Masjid Iqamatiddeen</p> <p>Masjid Taqwa</p> <p>Muslim Ummah of N.A</p> <p>BOROUGH THE BRONX</p> <p>Al-Janed Islamic Center</p> <p>Bronx Muslim Center (MAS Bronx)</p> <p>Nurudeen Islamic Charity Org.</p> <p>BOROUGH MANHATTAN</p> <p>Masjid Sabur</p> <p>Mosque of Islamic Brotherhood</p> <p>Muslim Consultative Network(MCN)</p> <p>Women In Islam, Inc.</p> <p>BOROUGH STATEN ISLAND</p> <p>MAS Community Center (MAS-SI)</p> <p>Masjid Rahmatillah</p> <p>LONG ISLAND</p> <p>Islamic Center of Five Town</p> <p>Islamic Center of L.I.</p> <p>Long Island Muslim Society</p> <p>Masjid Allah Akbar</p> <p>Masjid Darul Quran</p> <p>Masjid Ta Ha</p> <p>WESTCHESTER</p> <p>Masjid Noor</p> <p>Hudson Valley Islamic Community Center (MAS Upper NY)</p>
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