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* **Chicago:** Critical exhibit premieres about Prophet Muhammad's Peace Movement: Dec. 3rd at the occasion of International Conference on the Prophet. A free event. [>>> Learn more](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=B1Hi1YTDUUETfO453yb2dXPLFdvLJGfY)
* **Maryland:** Dec. 1st with Lord Nazir & Imam Mujahid. [>>> Learn more](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=rrhhIBYfiTiHmbJ3jBiFY3PLFdvLJGfY)
* **Houston:** Dec. 2nd featuring Helping the Ummah & Our Neighbors. [>>> Learn more](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=CEyci7QlbyNwG8auiIpFq3PLFdvLJGfY)

Assalamu Alaikum

It is unconscionable and inexcusable for the President of the United States.   
  
And for me, it is very personal.  
   
My mother is named after Virgin Mary; my daughter is named after Virgin Mary, and my granddaughter is named after Virgin Mary.  
   
In the Quran, God declares that Mary is the best woman, and a chapter of the Quran is named after her.   
   
Muslims hold Mary, may God be pleased with her, in the highest esteem.  
  
However, a hate group in the U.K. called “Britain First” is promoting fake videos encouraging violence against Muslims by claiming that we disrespect Virgin Mary.   
   
But the worst is this: Yesterday, President Trump retweeted the videos of a felon, Jayda Fransen, who is one of the group’s leaders. She has been convicted of assault on Muslims and hatemongering.  
   
Fransen and Britain First both represent a dangerous fringe, not the mainstream. However, the President of the United States, and his White House, have now endorsed deadly hate based on a lie. It is a cheap and dangerous attempt to rile up the President’s base on the hot button issues of border security and immigration.   
   
We must join in condemning and challenging this. And we must act now.

**Talking Points**

* Hate cannot make Britain or America great
* Three videos shared by the president are fake propaganda and stereotyping. One purportedly depicted a “Muslim migrant” beating up a Dutch boy on crutches. The fact: [Reports suggest](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=hDQRCr4UZU9iMgXUCFwan3PLFdvLJGfY)the assailant was neither Muslim, nor a migrant.
* Another video shows disrespect to the Virgin Mary supposedly taking place in Egypt. The fact: Muslims love Virgin Mary.
* The third video claimed to capture a mob shoving a boy off a roof probably somewhere in Syria. The fact: It lacks authenticity
* [Research has determined](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=l6Bdcl29L7rT11FuR180h3PLFdvLJGfY) that immigrants and refugees are more peaceful than other citizens
* The person who shared the clips retweeted by the President, Jayda Fransen, was [convicted](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=ewHkKLbKoXs%2BFoKxyccMFHPLFdvLJGfY) by a British court in January of aggravated harassment and unprovoked abuse of a Muslim mother in front of her children
* Britain First, Fransen’s organization, is notorious for [invading](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=MGNYX4ypx7MCR7aaeu4S33PLFdvLJGfY" \t "_blank)local mosques and confronting the Muslims worshipping there
* Britain First’s own founder [resigned](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=BGVO6GgcSkI6xuQhO99Kl3PLFdvLJGfY), saying, “no matter how hard I tried, you cannot escape from the fact that the group is being overrun with racists and extremists"
* Spreading hate towards 1.8 billion Muslims is not only un-American, but it is bad for America ethically and materially

**Action Items**

* Please tweet and call President Trump with a single message as we all pray for him: "Mr. President, Please connect with God with an open heart and seek His forgiveness for spreading lies and hate. This is not the way of a good Christian, nor the way of a truly strong leader." Tweet: [@POTUS](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=FaQh3f3SVio0N7r4S1LpTHPLFdvLJGfY). Use the following hashtags: [#SeekForgiveness](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=GXGYOzaLEvqpPxSaWtSHBHPLFdvLJGfY) [#PrayforTrump](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=A2btEgxbYE0wWyVVHJiEVXPLFdvLJGfY)[#MuslimsAreNeighbors](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=tiNQH1xWBg9QYoqLB4SWqXPLFdvLJGfY)
* Through Facebook posts, tweets, and calls, thank all Senators and Congresspersons who have spoken out against the President’s false and dangerous statements
* Your organization should contact local churches and temples to issue a joint statement against the President’s retweets
* People of all faiths must issue formal organizational statements to condemn the statement of the President. Muslims need to know that what moral position our neighborhood churches take on these issues of hate
* Get your neighbors to sign up for [OneAmericaCoalition.org](http://org2.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=7qMDDIuG0NR1hFyxf9NHmHPLFdvLJGfY), where 50-plus organizations have joined Sound Vision’s initiative.

**Thinking Points**

* Scholars say it will take a generation before America is liberated from the current phase of bigotry
* Please strengthen yourself, your family, and your community with the following three Prophetic strategies:

1. Build the communication skills of all community members and our allies, as well as our organizational capacity to be swift and smart in communication with media and groups outside of the Muslim community
2. Enhance human relations through human services. Serve others so you can connect to God and fulfill your responsibility to serve humanity
3. Invest in solid, organized coalition-building for common causes

Peace,   
You brother in humanity.

Abdul Malik Mujahid

A Timely Premiere of Exhibit on Prophet's Peace Movement  
President Trump sharing 3 anti-Muslim videos with 43 million followers promoted by a convicted British criminal, reinforces stereotyping of Muslims as violent people.  
  
Sound Vision has been researching and developing this exhibit for a while. It will premiere coming Sunday Dec 3, 2017, in Chicago. It's free. It will be available to travel to other locations in future.   
  
The 2,560 square feet exhibit is bound to be a unique experience  
presenting the Prophet as Muslims see him who hated war, established peace and justice while defending his peace sanctuary from all attacks.