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The Islamic Society of North America

Plainfield, Indiana

June 3, 2021

In the name of Allah, the most Merciful, the most Compassionate. All praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds.

In 2016, ISNA helped co-convene the Muslim-Jewish Advisory Council (MJAC) to promote the values of interfaith dialogue, social justice, equal rights, and peaceful coexistence. This was an interfaith initiative of Jews and Muslims who came together to address the challenges of Islamophobia and anti-Semitism in the United States, particularly at a time when hate and bigotry were rising. However, after a couple of years following its establishment, ISNA withdrew from this engagement.

With the recent escalation of Israeli aggression in Gaza and the desecration of the Al Aqsa Mosque, the third holiest site for Muslims, ISNA leadership took the decision to remove our name and logo from the MJAC website and withdraw completely from this initiative.

ISNA has and will always stand in solidarity with victims of oppression, no matter who they are or wherever they may be. ISNA will continue to support the cause of the Palestinian people as they fight for self-determination against Israeli apartheid and occupation. In recent weeks, ISNA issued multiple statements, condemning the Israeli government's brutality against Palestinian civilians. And during the recent attacks on Gaza, ISNA forcefully condemned the killing of civilians that included many children and the destruction of countless Palestinian lives and homes.

ISNA appealed to the Biden administration to ensure the safety and security of our brothers and sisters in Palestine, and to restore our nation's moral leadership in global affairs. We as Muslims have great reverence for the Al-Aqsa Mosque, and we will always stand by our brothers and sisters to worship there in peace. And while ISNA firmly believes in interfaith engagement and collaboration, we will never compromise our efforts to support justice, human rights, and peace throughout the world.

ISNA is a public charitable organization, working every day to serve the best interests of the Muslim Community. Please continue to support ISNA and remain engaged with us.

ISNA has issued the following statements:

May 10, 2021: **ISNA Condemns Israeli Police Violence Against Worshipping Palestinian Civilians**

May 19, 2021: **ISNA Strongly Condemns Israeli Attacks on Innocent Civilians**

June 3, 2021: **Today's Statement**

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