



**NATIONAL  
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**National Council of Canadian Muslims  
(NCCM)**

**2015 ODIHR Hate Crime Report**

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## ABOUT NCCM

The National Council of Canadian Muslims (hereafter NCCM) is a national, not-for-profit, non-partisan grassroots human rights and civil liberties organization that professionally represents the concerns of Canadian Muslims.

## AREAS OF ACTION

NCCM approaches its human rights and civil liberties mandate by focusing on 4 areas of action:

- Anti-Discrimination Case Work
- Community Education & Outreach
- Public Advocacy
- Media Engagement

NCCM advocates on behalf of Canadian Muslims and others who have experienced discrimination and hate crimes based on their religion. It offers suggestions and advice to individuals who file complaints with NCCM. NCCM also provides assistance in mediating cases with employers, educators, and public institutions to help resolve complaints and to help avoid what can be costly and time-consuming legal avenues.

NCCM offers a variety of regular seminars and workshops on Islamic practices, anti-discrimination, and media engagement.

It also produces a number of publications, which include guides outlining Islamic religious practices for journalists, employers, educators, and health care providers with plans in the works for additional guides for other professions including for correctional services workers and law enforcement. NCCM also is in the process of updating and revising its most popular “Know Your Rights” pocket guide to include a section on the duties of citizenship. This new “Know Your Rights & Responsibilities” guide will be made available in both English and French. These publications are regularly requested by government departments, local and national media outlets, police services, hospitals, schools, private firms, and various non-profit groups.

## REPORT OF HATE CRIMES

### ABOUT THIS REPORT

#### **Reports to NCCM & reports in the media**

As in previous years, the data in this report is assembled with the inclusion of documented cases of hate crimes or hate incidents reported to NCCM's intake staff as well as those cases reported in the media.

Please note that some incidents are reported both to NCCM and covered in the media. Where a public media report of the incident exists, it has been included in this report. The name(s) of victims of individual attacks are only included where the name has already been publicly reported in the media.

#### **Report represents a fraction of actual hate crimes & incidents**

Only a fraction of actual hate crimes and incidents are reported to police authorities and a similar small percentage is reported to NCCM. When hate crimes or incidents are reported to NCCM, NCCM encourages the victim to simultaneously report the incident to police if they have not already done so. NCCM's experience indicates that crimes committed against Canadian Muslim institutions are likely more frequently reported to authorities than crimes against individuals.

While the outcome(s) of hate crimes/incidents investigated by authorities are not always made public, NCCM's general experience is that "minor incidents" (defined as those not involving serious physical injuries or major property damage) receive minimal investigative resources from authorities and very few criminal proceedings are actually launched.

Due to the lack of consistent national reporting, this report's overall figures likely underestimate the actual numbers of anti-Muslim incidents and hate crimes in Canada. Further, this report includes incidents which may not fit the definition of a hate crime according to Canadian criminal law but which authorities may have investigated and/or classified as 'hate incidents'.

## Hate Crimes & Hate Incidents

Canadian police services keep data on hate crimes only, not incidents, which is later submitted to Statistics Canada. The federal agency publishes these police-reported hate crimes on the agency's website; the most recent published report is from 2013. Police-reported hate crimes are reported a full year after general crime data for the previous year is made available by Statistics Canada. This causes a two-year lag between reporting and full public disclosure of the data.

Also, data on hate crimes is categorized based on various motivating factors. These factors include both ethnicity and religion. However, it is difficult to distinguish when perpetrators of hate crimes are motivated by a hatred to a particular ethnicity or race, or due to a connection or 'intersectionality' (perceived or otherwise) to a person's Islamic identity. In this report, for example, a crime that the victim felt was clearly anti-Muslim was classified as being motivated by ethnicity alone.

Finally, it is important to echo Statistics Canada's note that "according to police services, higher rates of police-reported hate crime in certain jurisdictions may reflect differences or changes in the awareness, reporting and investigation of these incidents by police and community members." It is also important to note that many rural police services may not have the necessary resources or training to accurately capture, much less address incidents that are reported to them.

## CONTEXT

When reviewing this latest report from NCCM it is important to note that in 2015, there were several high profile issues that may have had an impact on the incidence and/or reporting of alleged hate crimes and incidents.

During 2015, there were several high profile terrorist acts, two occurring in Paris, one in San Bernandino as well attacks committed elsewhere which received much less media attention.

Additionally, in the months leading up to the federal election campaign, and during it, Islam and Muslims were frequently referenced in a negative manner by both politicians and media. Furthermore, concerns about the government's plan to resettle 25,000 refugees were frequently raised in this period.

The Federal Elections were held in October, 2015 and attacks in Paris took place in January and in November, 2015. Both October and November months experienced the greatest number of reported anti-Muslim hate occurrences.

### **Advocacy work around Hate Crimes and/or Incidents**

The NCCM regularly issues press releases following the reporting of hate crimes or incidents affecting either Canadian Muslims, or members of other minority groups, including Canadian Jewish and Canadian Sikh communities, for example.

The NCCM's public statements are regularly covered in local and national, and sometimes international, media. Our aim is to raise awareness around hate crimes/incidents and to encourage victims to come forward to report incidents to their local police services, as well as to the organization for documentation purposes.

NCCM staff provide guidance and support to victims as well as to community leaders whenever a crime or incident is reported. The NCCM also encourages communities to refer to our [“Community Safety Guide”](#) for ways to safeguard as best as possible from potential hate-motivated harm.

The NCCM also recognizes the critical role community leaders and elected officials play in standing united and speaking out against xenophobia and manifestations of hate of any kind, in any form against anyone. The NCCM regularly calls on our elected officials and leaders to unequivocally condemn acts of hatred.

Finally, the NCCM frequently highlights the importance of creating positive, cohesive, and welcoming communities in order to ensure that every citizen feels both valued and welcome. Canada's model of multiculturalism, while certainly far from perfect, is widely regarded as playing a key role in building bridges between communities and promoting harmony and integration of newcomers who can still maintain their identities and ties to their roots while also being Canadian.

## **DISAGGREGATED FIGURES**

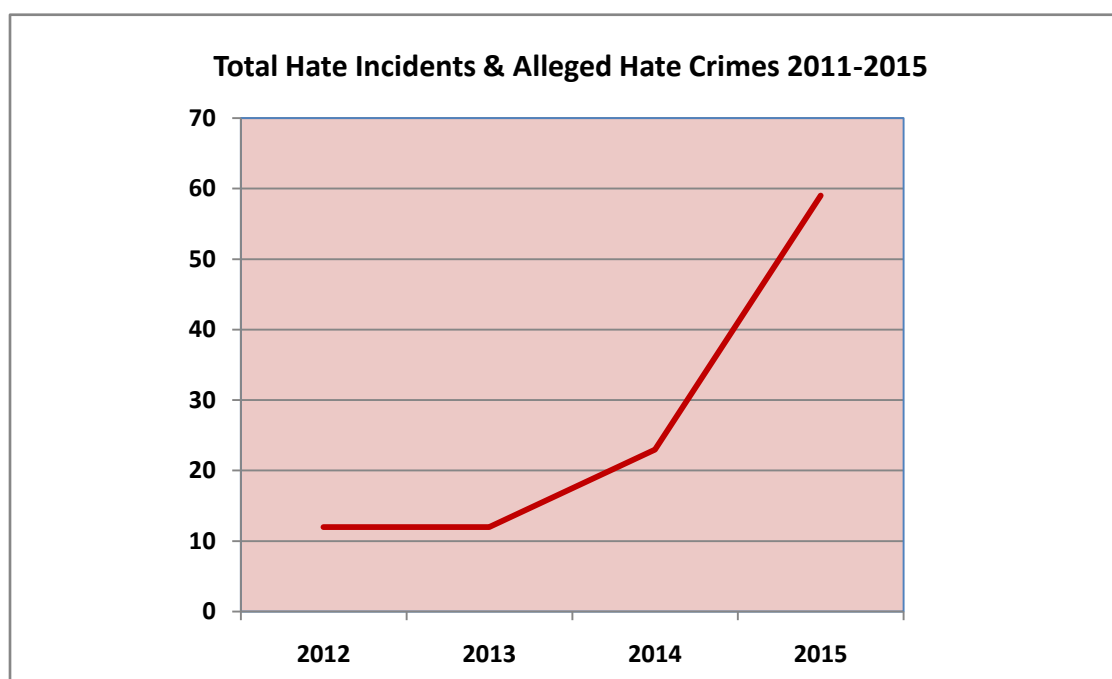
This report references and contains information about 59 hate crime incidents divided as follows:

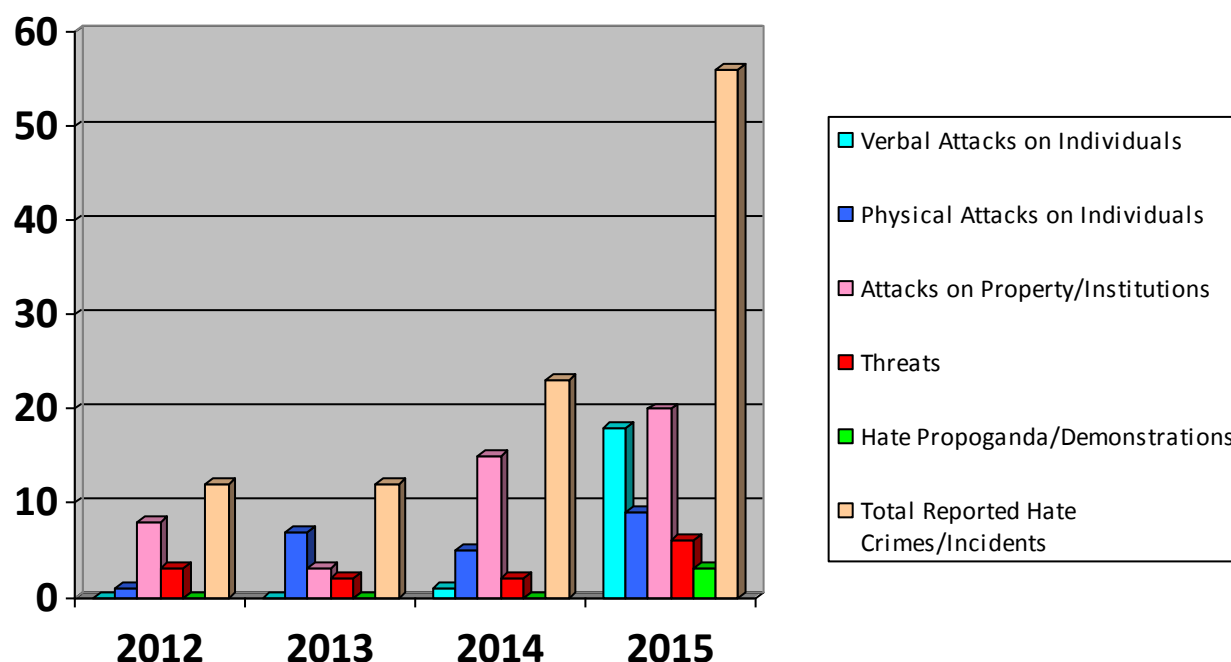
- 18 verbal attacks on individuals (or groups of individuals)

- 20 property attacks on Muslim institutions/properties
- 9 physical attacks against individuals (or groups of individuals)
- 6 incidents of threat against individuals (or institutions)
- 3 incidents of hate propaganda against Islam and/or Muslims
- 3 online hate messages against individuals (or groups)

#### 4-YEAR TREND

The incidence of anti-Muslim hate crimes or incidents reported to NCCM, the Police, or in the media has risen sharply overall in 2015. The major change for 2015 has been the proportion of hate crimes taking the form of verbal attacks on individuals, representing approximately 30% of the total occurrences in 2015 compared to 4% in 2014. Attacks on property/institutions also represented a significant portion of hate crimes, accounting for 20 of the 59 occurrences. All other categories experienced a gradual increase over the four years





## INCIDENTS

### VERBAL ATTACKS AGAINST INDIVIDUAL(S)

Date & Location	Description and Additional Sources <sup>1</sup>
1. January 22, 2015: Calgary, Alberta	<p>A woman in a <i>hijab</i> (head covering) was dropping her child at school. Another motorist pulled up beside her SUV and spouted racist insults as he became increasingly violent, punching the mirror, and then punching the window.</p> <p>Media report:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/hate-crime-probe-launched-by-police-after-traffic-confrontation-1.2927713">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/hate-crime-probe-launched-by-police-after-traffic-confrontation-1.2927713</a> </p>



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<p><b>2. February 9, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Toronto, Ontario</b></p>	<p>A woman was halted from entering the elevator of her apartment building by another resident. The resident asserted that she did not want to ride in the same elevator as the woman because she has the freedom to security, a concept she stated that Muslim woman would not understand because of "what she [the victim] is wearing" referencing her hijab. The offender continued to make anti-Muslim comments stating "You people with those things on your heads cut girls' genital parts and force marriage at 9. I see you all walking down protesting for Palestine and it makes me sick."</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>
<p><b>3. June 19, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Ottawa, Ontario</b></p>	<p>A young woman was walking from her home to the nearby bus stop when a woman started yelling at her from the balcony of an apartment building. She was screaming: "Terrorist" and "F*** you!". The pedestrian, who was wearing a hijab, videotaped the woman's verbal harassment.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p> <p>Video of incident: <a href="http://www.nccm.ca/wp-content/uploads/gravity_forms/5-cc978135b04f42327a885cf07960f135/2015/06/VID_20150619_130706.mp4">http://www.nccm.ca/wp-content/uploads/gravity_forms/5-cc978135b04f42327a885cf07960f135/2015/06/VID_20150619_130706.mp4</a></p>

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<b>4. July 1, 2015</b>  <b>Kanata, Ontario</b>	<p>A family was verbally attacked in a co-op residence by a neighbor. The neighbour made anti-Muslim comments stating "Go back to your F***ing country, F***ing Muslims, Terrorists." This individual continues to display Islamophobic sentiments against the family.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>
<b>5. August 28, 2015</b>  <b>Montreal, Quebec</b>	<p>A Muslim woman wearing a hijab was told to go back to her country by a passenger on a public transport. A video of the incident was made by a witness.</p> <p>Media report:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/montreal-bus-video-appears-to-show-anti-muslim-altercation-1.1857256">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/montreal-bus-video-appears-to-show-anti-muslim-altercation-1.1857256</a> </p>
<b>6. September 18, 2015</b>  <b>Victoria, British Columbia</b>	<p>A college student who wears the <i>niqab</i> (face veil) was verbally assaulted and told to go back to her country while changing her scarf in a girls washroom.</p> <p>The incident was reported to College administration. The student was penalized by the college.</p>
<b>7. Oct. 06, 2015</b>  <b>Ottawa, Ontario</b>	<p>A young, visibly Muslim and disabled woman was verbally assaulted at a local Mall by a middle aged white man. The man, in a derogatory manner, commanded the woman to remove "the f***king rug off [her] head," referencing her hijab.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>

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<p>8. Oct. 06, 2015</p> <p>Ottawa, Ontario</p>	<p>A Muslim woman was verbally assaulted by a white man upon leaving her apartment at Rideau. The man initially whispered "f***ing terrorist" to the woman, and then proceeded to follow her while aggressively yelling at her. The woman felt threatened.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>
<p>9. October 12, 2015</p> <p>Ottawa, Ontario</p>	<p>A visibly Muslim woman was speaking with a relative while waiting to vote at an advance polling station. They were speaking Somali when a man approached them and said "speak F**** English or get the hell out of this country" in a very aggressive manner and then ran out of the building. An Elections Canada official followed after the man, but could not find him.</p> <p>Elections Canada and the Police were informed of the incident.</p>
<p>10. October 18, 2015</p> <p>Montreal, Quebec</p>	<p>Asma Al-Shawarghi, who wears a head-scarf, was told by a Costco employee to go back to her country while asking for the employee's opinion on a jacket at the store. Asma is in the process of launching a human rights complaint against the employee.</p> <p>Media report:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/muslim-montreal-costco-complaint-1.3296801">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/muslim-montreal-costco-complaint-1.3296801</a></p>

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<b>11. October 19, 2015</b>  <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	<p>Aisha and Maryam Hassan, two sisters employed by Elections Canada as deputy returning officers, were subject to anti-Muslim comments by coworkers on election night. Maryam's coworker made discriminatory comments stating that people who wear the niqab look like ninjas. Aisha was also criticized by her supervisor for taking prayer breaks during her shift.</p> <p>Media report:  <a href="http://news.nationalpost.com/toronto/elections-canada-urges-sisters-ex-workers-who-say-they-faced-anti-muslim-discrimination-to-file-complaints">http://news.nationalpost.com/toronto/elections-canada-urges-sisters-ex-workers-who-say-they-faced-anti-muslim-discrimination-to-file-complaints</a> </p>
<b>12. November 17, 2015</b>  <b>Vancouver, British Columbia</b>	<p>A Muslim woman was waiting at the bus stop when a man leaned out of his car and yelled "you dirty terrorist" as he passed by her.</p> <p>Media report:  <a href="http://www.vancitybuzz.com/2015/11/vancouver-muslim-woman-harassed-paris-attacks/">http://www.vancitybuzz.com/2015/11/vancouver-muslim-woman-harassed-paris-attacks/</a> </p>
<b>13. November 17, 2015</b>  <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	<p>A 21 year old Muslim student was spat on and verbally assaulted by a man while waiting for a street car in Toronto. The man told the student to take his "turban off" referring to his religious cap and attempted to swing at him twice.</p> <p>Media Report:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/muslim-u-of-t-student-claims-he-was-spit-on-1.3327116">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/muslim-u-of-t-student-claims-he-was-spit-on-1.3327116</a> </p>

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<b>14. November 18, 2015</b>  <b>Ottawa, Ontario</b>	<p>A Muslim woman in Ottawa recieved a note in her mailbox reading "Canada is no place for immigrants and terrorists. Go back home."</p> <p>Media report:  <a href="http://www.buzzfeed.com/craigsilverman/a-muslim-woman-in-ottawa-received-a-note-telling-her-to-go-h#.th2a71nMjP">http://www.buzzfeed.com/craigsilverman/a-muslim-woman-in-ottawa-received-a-note-telling-her-to-go-h#.th2a71nMjP</a> </p>
<b>15. November 18, 2015</b>  <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	<p>Two Muslim women were accosted and verbally assaulted on a Toronto subway. The women were subject to racist comments with racist comments associating them with terrorists. One of women was allegedly pushed.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/beta/news/canada/toronto/muslim-women-subway-slurs-1.3326281">http://www.cbc.ca/beta/news/canada/toronto/muslim-women-subway-slurs-1.3326281</a> </p>
<b>16. November 21, 2015</b>  <b>Ottawa, Ontario</b>	<p>A visibly Muslim woman was tailgated on the highway and subject to anti-Muslim sentiments by a male driver. The driver slowed down his car next to the woman, rolled down his window and outlined his face (signalling a hijab). He then flaunted his middle finger at her and started yelling at the woman and her children. The man continued to follow the woman, deliberately making sudden stops to aggravate the woman.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>
<b>17. December 01, 2015</b>  <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	<p>A Muslim woman was verbally assaulted on a city bus in Toronto. A passenger on the bus aggressively told her to "go back to [her] country to get raped and killed."</p> <p>Reported to Police and Toronto Transit Commission.</p>

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<b>18. December 03, 2015</b>  <b>Mississauga, Ontario</b>	<p>A 26-year-old Muslim woman who wears the hijab was assaulted and had derogatory remarks about her religion yelled at her by a white male on her way to work.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.citynews.ca/2015/12/04/woman-wearing-hijab-targeted-in-hate-crime-assaulted-in-mississauga/">http://www.citynews.ca/2015/12/04/woman-wearing-hijab-targeted-in-hate-crime-assaulted-in-mississauga/</a> </p>

#### ATTACKS ON PROPERTY / INSTITUTIONS

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<b>19. February 9, 2015</b>  <b>Montreal, Quebec</b>	<p>A Muslim school was vandalized. Two windows from two different classrooms were found shattered. The school principal felt that the damage was caused by pellet guns.</p> <p>Media report: <a href="http://montrealgazette.com/news/local-news/vandals-target-montreal-muslim-school">http://montrealgazette.com/news/local-news/vandals-target-montreal-muslim-school</a></p>
<b>20. May 20, 2015</b>  <b>Hamilton, Ontario:</b>	<p>A man's car was demolished after he parked it in front of his parents' building. There were broken windows, flat tires, and an obscene, hate filled message spray-painted across the exterior.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.chch.com/hate-crime-investigation/">http://www.chch.com/hate-crime-investigation/</a> </p>
<b>21. June 02, 2015</b>  <b>Calgary, AB</b>	<p>An offensive phrase (F*** Islam) was spray painted on the wall of KOOB The Kabob, a restaurant on 72nd Avenue in</p>

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	<p>Calgary.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.660news.com/2015/06/02/calgary-restaurant-hit-by-hate-graffiti/">http://www.660news.com/2015/06/02/calgary-restaurant-hit-by-hate-graffiti/</a>  <a href="http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-denounces-anti-muslim-hate-targeting-calgary-restaurant/">http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-denounces-anti-muslim-hate-targeting-calgary-restaurant/</a></p>
<p><b>22. June 08, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Toronto, ON</b></p>	<p>An apartment building was vandalized in North York, Ontario. According to reports, vandals spray-painted derogatory comments directed against the Prophet Muhammad on the building.</p> <p>Reported to Police and Media:  <a href="http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-denounces-anti-muslim-vandalism-in-north-york/">http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-denounces-anti-muslim-vandalism-in-north-york/</a>  <a href="http://toronto.ctvnews.ca/vulgar-anti-islamic-graffiti-sprayed-on-north-york-apartment-building-1.2411245">http://toronto.ctvnews.ca/vulgar-anti-islamic-graffiti-sprayed-on-north-york-apartment-building-1.2411245</a></p> <p>See Appendix 1.</p>

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<b>23. June 08, 2015</b> <b>Edmonton, Alberta</b>	<p>An Islamic institution in Alberta was vandalized with threatening messages and anti-Muslim graffiti reading "F*** Islam" and "Bomb Mecca!" spray painted on the walls of the building.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p> <p>See Appendix 2.</p>
<b>24. June 16, 2015</b> <b>Fort McMurray, Alberta</b>	<p>A glass door at the Markaz-Ul-Islam mosque was shattered. Police said they were investigating the incident. A community leader says he was concerned that it was a targeted attack against the Muslim place of worship.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.fortmcmurraytoday.com/2015/06/23/cops-see-suspect-after-markaz-ul-islam-mosque-damaged">http://www.fortmcmurraytoday.com/2015/06/23/cops-see-suspect-after-markaz-ul-islam-mosque-damaged</a></p>
<b>25. July 21, 2015</b> <b>London, Ontario</b>	<p>The Bosnian Canadian Islamic Centre in London was vandalized. The sides of the building were spray painted with disturbing messages.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p> <p>See Appendix 3.</p>
<b>26. September 18, 2015</b> <b>Burnstown, Ontario</b>	<p>Liberal candidate Jeff Lehoux's sign was vandalized with anti-Muslim remarks near Burnstown, ON. The sign was scrawled with "Jihad Jeff" and "More Muslims! + More</p>



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	<p>Taxes"</p> <p>Media report:  <a href="http://www.ottawasun.com/2015/10/04/liberal-candidate-jeff-lehoux-calls-sing-vandals-misinformed">http://www.ottawasun.com/2015/10/04/liberal-candidate-jeff-lehoux-calls-sing-vandals-misinformed</a> </p>
<p><b>27. September 23, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Papineau Regional County Municipality, Quebec</b></p>	<p>A niqab was spray painted over the face of NDP candidate Anne Lagacé in the Dowson-Papineau riding.</p> <p>Media report: <a href="https://www.thestar.com/news/federal-election/2015/09/23/tories-to-blame-for-toxic-twist-to-election-says-mulcair.html">https://www.thestar.com/news/federal-election/2015/09/23/tories-to-blame-for-toxic-twist-to-election-says-mulcair.html</a></p> <p>See Appendix 4.</p>
<p><b>28. September 24, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Pierrefonds, Quebec</b></p>	<p>An election campaign sign of NDP candidate Lysane Blancette-Lamoth was vandalized in the riding of Pierrefonds-Dollard. A piece of paper that read "No Muslim, no terrorism" was glued to the sign.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/montreal-s-muslim-community-feels-used-by-political-parties-1.3241582">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/montreal-s-muslim-community-feels-used-by-political-parties-1.3241582</a> </p> <p>See Appendix 5.</p>
<p><b>29. October 07, 2015</b></p> <p><b>London, Ontario</b></p>	<p>An election campaign sign of Liberal candidate Khalil Ramal was vandalized in the London-Fanshawe riding. The sign was marked with the words "Arab Scum."</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:</p>

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	<a href="http://london.ctvnews.ca/london-fanshawe-liberal-candidate-s-signs-defaced-1.2599364">http://london.ctvnews.ca/london-fanshawe-liberal-candidate-s-signs-defaced-1.2599364</a>
<b>30. October 11, 2015</b> <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	<p>An election campaign sign of NDP candidate Khalid Ahmed was vandalized in the Don Valley East riding. The sign was spray painted with a swastika sign and the words "White Power"</p> <p>Media report:  <a href="http://www.pressreader.com/canada/toronto-star/20151012/282127815309843">http://www.pressreader.com/canada/toronto-star/20151012/282127815309843</a> </p>
<b>31. October 17, 2015</b> <b>Ottawa, Ontario</b>	<p>A van parked at a Muslim institution was vandalized. The van's window was shattered. The perpetrator left an axe and a pumpkin nearby. A note that read "F*** the police. F*** the Arabs. Ban the niqab" was also left, along with a KKK mark and a swastika sign.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>
<b>32. November 13, 2015</b> <b>Chilliwack, British Columbia</b>	<p>A Muslim institute in BC was vandalized. The front door of the centre was smashed, leaving a huge crack in the glass. A Quran class was taking place in the centre when this incident occurred.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p> <p>See Appendix 6.</p>
<b>33. November 14, 2015</b>	<p>According to media reports, a fire broke out at the Kawartha Muslim Religious Association's mosque, Masjid</p>

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<b>Peterborough, ON</b>	<p>Al-Salaam, at approximately 11 p.m. on November 14th. No one was inside the mosque at the time.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/mosque-peterborough-fire-1.3320013">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/mosque-peterborough-fire-1.3320013</a></p>
<b>34. November 16, 2015 Toronto, ON</b>	<p>"Muslims go home we do not want you here" was found written on a wall inside an apartment building.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://globalnews.ca/news/2343743/anti-muslim-graffiti-discovered-inside-toronto-apartment-building/">http://globalnews.ca/news/2343743/anti-muslim-graffiti-discovered-inside-toronto-apartment-building/</a></p> <p>See Appendix 7.</p>
<b>35. November 20, 2015 Ottawa, Ontario</b>	<p>A visibly Muslim woman noticed huge piles of dog feces on her doorstep. In front of the pile were the words "Go Home." These words were made from dog feces as well.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>
<b>36. November 25, 2015 Cold Lake, Alberta</b>	<p>A mosque in Cold Lake, Alberta was vandalized for the second time. The words "Go Home" were spray painted on the front door of the mosque.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://edmontonjournal.com/news/crime/cold-lake-mosque-vandalized-for-second-time">http://edmontonjournal.com/news/crime/cold-lake-mosque-vandalized-for-second-time</a></p>
<b>37. December 03, 2015</b>	<p>Threatening messages directed at Muslims and Syrian refugees were spray painted on the walls of train stations and several cars parked at the Tuscany LRT station. The</p>

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	<p>messages read "F*** Syrian Refs" "F*** Muslim Goofs" "F*** Syrea" "Kill Muslims."</p> <p>Reported to Calgary Transit, Police, and media:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/tuscany-lrt-hate-crime-cctv-images-released-1.3356012">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/tuscany-lrt-hate-crime-cctv-images-released-1.3356012</a></p>
<b>38. December 03, 2015</b>  <b>Hamilton, Ontario</b>	<p>Six McMaster University students found a knife stuck into a wall of their house. Before the knife was discovered, the women reported earlier incidences where possessions appeared to have been rummaged through.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/news/possible-hate-crime-near-mcmaster-targeted-muslim-women-1.3357820">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/news/possible-hate-crime-near-mcmaster-targeted-muslim-women-1.3357820</a></p>

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#### PHYSICAL ATTACKS

Date & Location	Details
<b>39. March 25, 2015</b>  <b>Winnipeg, Manitoba</b>	<p>A substitute teacher pulled off a young girl and her friend's hijab in class. The girls were in grade 5. The teacher tugged and pulled periodically throughout the day. One of the girls tied her hair in a bun under her hijab, which the teacher yanked vigorously. He also hit the side of the other girl's face while she was walking to gym class. She almost hit the wall.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>

<b>40. March 31, 2015</b>  <b>Laval, Quebec:</b>	<p>A woman in hijab was on the metro heading to pick up her daughter on her way home from work when a woman started knocking into her back, shoving her and trying to force her hand off the pole. She turned around to ask why she was doing that and the woman stated, 'You veiled women, what are you doing here, go back to where you came from!' Then she gave her the finger. The aggression escalated as the two women got off the metro. The offender reportedly got more aggressive and jumped on the victim, started hitting her repeatedly in the face and upper body and yelling the same kind of racist slurs.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media: <a href="http://www.cjad.com/cjad-news/2015/04/02/exclusive-laval-woman-says-she-was-attacked-because-of-her-hijab?utm_source=dlvr.it&amp;utm_medium=facebook">http://www.cjad.com/cjad-news/2015/04/02/exclusive-laval-woman-says-she-was-attacked-because-of-her-hijab?utm_source=dlvr.it&amp;utm_medium=facebook</a></p>
<b>41. August 19, 2015</b>  <b>Vancouver, British Columbia</b>	<p>A visibly Muslim woman was punched in the left temple of her head at a bus stop. The offender stated that the Muslim woman's scarf made her angry.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>
<b>42. September 29, 2015</b>  <b>Montreal, Quebec</b>	<p>Oumessad Khoufache, 31, was assaulted by two teenage boys who grabbed her headscarf. The pregnant mom was on her way to pick up her daughter from school. Police has confirmed that the incident is being investigated as a hate crime.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media: <a href="http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-urges-investigation-of-quebec-assault-as-potential-hate-crime/">http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-urges-investigation-of-quebec-assault-as-potential-hate-crime/</a></p>
<b>43. October 1,</b>	<p>Safira Merriman, 30, was entering the Shopper's Drug Mart with</p>

<p><b>2015</b></p> <p><b>Toronto, Ontario</b></p>	<p>her two young daughters when a man drove his elbow into her shoulder.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media: <a href="http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-urges-investigation-of-toronto-assault-as-potential-hate-crime/">http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-urges-investigation-of-toronto-assault-as-potential-hate-crime/</a></p>
<p><b>44. October 18, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Gatineau, Quebec</b></p>	<p>Three women who wear hijab were in a local restaurant when a group of teenagers threw a drink at them. The women reported it to the store management who kicked out the young men.</p> <p>However, they came to the window and began threatening the women who called 9-11.</p> <p>Reported to restaurant management and Police.</p>
<p><b>45. November 16, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Toronto, ON</b></p>	<p>A visibly Muslim woman wearing the hijab was on her way to pick up her children from school when she was attacked by two white men. The men punched her in the stomach and yelled obscenities, calling her a terrorist and telling her to "go back home". She was taken to hospital and released a short while later.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media: <a href="http://www.680news.com/2015/11/16/muslim-woman-attacked-outside-childrens-school-flemingdon-park/">http://www.680news.com/2015/11/16/muslim-woman-attacked-outside-childrens-school-flemingdon-park/</a></p>
<p><b>46. November 16, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Toronto, ON</b></p>	<p>Kayla Gerber was physically and verbally assaulted on her way to the Toronto subway. Kayla was wearing a winter scarf over her head to protect from the cold when a white male approached her, grabbed her by her jacket, pushed her against the wall and said "You need to get your fucking hijab off and get the fuck out of the country!"</p>

	<p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.buzzfeed.com/ishmaeldaro/not-even-a-hijab-bro#.wcLwkgeKWQ">http://www.buzzfeed.com/ishmaeldaro/not-even-a-hijab-bro#.wcLwkgeKWQ</a></p>
<p><b>47. December 10, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Scarborough, Ontario</b></p>	<p>A Muslim woman was physically and verbally assaulted by a passenger on the Scarborough Rapid Transit (SRT). The suspect, who police describe as a 20-30 year old woman, pulled on the Muslim woman's hijab, kicked her and began yelling profanities. Both got off the LRT and went to a bus platform where the suspect continued to make racist remarks and slurs about the woman's attire.</p> <p>Reported to Police and media:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/woman-pulls-on-girls-hijab-1.3364574">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/woman-pulls-on-girls-hijab-1.3364574</a></p>

#### THREATS TO INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS

Date & Location	Details
<p><b>48. September 05, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Richmond, British Columbia</b></p>	<p>An Islamic School in Richmond received a highly disturbing and threatening voicemail Saturday afternoon. The Police is investigating the incident as a hate crime.</p> <p>Reported to Police.</p>
<p><b>49. October 6, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Toronto, Ontario</b></p>	<p>Farah N. Mawani says a man appearing to be in his sixties was speaking hatefully about Muslims at the Roots Canada store in the Eaton Centre. When she confronted the man, he made motions with his hands indicating a niqab and then motions of shooting a machine gun.</p> <p>Reported to store/mall security and media:</p>

	<a href="http://globalnews.ca/news/2264159/toronto-woman-speaks-out-after-islamophobic-verbal-attack-in-busy-mall/">http://globalnews.ca/news/2264159/toronto-woman-speaks-out-after-islamophobic-verbal-attack-in-busy-mall/</a>
<b>50. October 6, 2015</b>  <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	<p>Three women who wear the hijab were at a local restaurant when a group of teenagers threw a drink at them. The women reported the occurrence to store management who expelled the men from the restaurant. The boys came back to the restaurant and began threatening the women through the window. The women proceeded to call the Police.</p> <p>Reported to restaurant management and Police.</p>
<b>51. November 17, 2015</b>  <b>Montreal, Quebec</b>	<p>A man wearing a joker mask made an online video threatening Arabs. The man threatened to kill "one Arab a week" and warned that "as of next week, there will be murders all across Quebec." The man went on to say "we will eliminate all of them, one by one. Islam has harmed us enough." The video has since been deleted.</p> <p>Reported to the Police and media:  <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/montreal-police-arrest-man-mask-joker-muslims-1.3324089">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/montreal-police-arrest-man-mask-joker-muslims-1.3324089</a>  <a href="https://news.vice.com/article/man-in-joker-mask-vows-to-kill-one-arab-a-week-across-quebec">https://news.vice.com/article/man-in-joker-mask-vows-to-kill-one-arab-a-week-across-quebec</a></p> <p>See Appendix 8.</p>
<b>52. November 18, 2015</b>  <b>Dorval, Quebec</b>	<p>A mosque in Dorval received a threatening anti-Muslim phone call. The caller expressed her discontent with the mosque's pledge to sponsor Syrian refugees. During the conversation, the woman stated "we are going to hurt you. We don't want Muslims in Quebec and we are going to do something."</p>



	Reported to Police and media: <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/dorval-mosque-refugees-phone-threat-vandalism-1.3342703">http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/dorval-mosque-refugees-phone-threat-vandalism-1.3342703</a>
<b>53. December 07, 2015</b>  <b>Tuscany, Calgary</b>	A 15-year old Muslim was threatened by a man riding on the same city bus as her. The man on the bus approached the girl and shouted "What the F***, why the F*** is there a terrorist in here. She is going to blow this whole place up." One passenger on the bus pushed the man out. As he was leaving, the man pulled out a pocket knife and showed it to the girl.  Reported to Police.

#### HATE PROPAGANDA

Date & Location	Details
<b>54. September 19, 2015</b>	An anti-Islam movement, Pegida, held its first demonstration in Canada in front of the Ontario Legislature in Toronto.  The protestors held signs that equated Islam with terrorism and mocked the Prophet Muhammad.  Media report: <a href="http://www.buzzfeed.com/ishmaeldaro/pegida-protest-toronto#.gnzWbg5aG">http://www.buzzfeed.com/ishmaeldaro/pegida-protest-toronto#.gnzWbg5aG</a>
<b>55. Nov. 01, 2015</b>  <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	Mr. Eric Brazau, previously convicted of willful promotion of hatred and harassment of Muslims, holds weekly anti-Islam protests at Dundas Square. On November 1, 2015, Mr. Brazau reportedly harassed a Muslim woman who wears the niqab.  Reported to Police.  Previous news stories: <a href="http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/canada-islam-">http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/canada-islam-</a>

	<a href="#">baiting-eric-brazau-jailed-denouncing-koran-while-holding-israel-flag-1482368</a>  <a href="http://www.thestar.com/news/crime/2014/04/01/protester_gets_9_months_for_promoting_hatred_against_muslims.html">http://www.thestar.com/news/crime/2014/04/01/protester_gets_9_months_for_promoting_hatred_against_muslims.html</a>
<b>56. November 16, 2015</b>  <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	<p>A couple in Toronto put a sign on their property associating Muslims with the attacks in Paris. Part of the sign read "Are you sorry for the slaughter of innocent people by whom represent your religious beliefs?"</p> <p>Media report: <a href="http://www.citynews.ca/2015/11/15/toronto-couple-asks-muslims-if-theyre-sorry-for-paris-attacks/">http://www.citynews.ca/2015/11/15/toronto-couple-asks-muslims-if-theyre-sorry-for-paris-attacks/</a></p>

#### ONLINE THREATS

Date & Location	Details
<b>57. June 12, 2015</b>  <b>Toronto, Ontario</b>	<p>Faisal Moola, an ecology scientist, and the Director General of Ontario and Northern Canada at the David Suzuki Foundation, was slammed with more than 1,300 offensive tweets. The attacks followed his tweets in support of a decision by Tim Hortons to pull oil ads from Enbridge in its in-store programming. Professor Moola was called a terrorist, anti-Canadian, foreign funded, and an Arab with obvious Middle Eastern oil connections.</p> <p>Media reports:</p> <p><a href="http://www.nationalobserver.com/2015/06/16/news/oil-propagandists-stir-racism-in-tim-hortons-enbridge-ad-battle">http://www.nationalobserver.com/2015/06/16/news/oil-propagandists-stir-racism-in-tim-hortons-enbridge-ad-battle</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.straight.com/news/471996/david-suzuki-irrational-attacks-have-long-history-diminishing-debate">https://www.straight.com/news/471996/david-suzuki-irrational-attacks-have-long-history-diminishing-debate</a></p>
	<p>A Richmond Hill high school teacher allegedly made anti-</p>

<p><b>58. June 26, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Richmond Hill, Ontario</b></p>	<p>Muslim comments on a now-deleted Twitter account.</p> <p>Reported to school board and media:</p> <p><a href="http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-welcomes-school-board-investigation-of-alleged-anti-muslim-tweets-by-high-school-teacher/">http://www.nccm.ca/nccm-welcomes-school-board-investigation-of-alleged-anti-muslim-tweets-by-high-school-teacher/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.nationalpost.com/m/wp/blog.html?b=news.nationalpost.com//toronto/richmond-hill-high-school-teacher-under-investigation-for-alleged-islamophobic-tweets">http://www.nationalpost.com/m/wp/blog.html?b=news.nationalpost.com//toronto/richmond-hill-high-school-teacher-under-investigation-for-alleged-islamophobic-tweets</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.newcanadianmedia.ca/item/28586-ontario-high-school-teacher-accused-of-racist-tweets-ontario-high-school-teacher-accused-of-racist-tweets">http://www.newcanadianmedia.ca/item/28586-ontario-high-school-teacher-accused-of-racist-tweets-ontario-high-school-teacher-accused-of-racist-tweets</a></p>
<p><b>59. December 17, 2015</b></p> <p><b>Ottawa, Ontario</b></p>	<p>An Ottawa restaurant recieved a surge of anti-Muslim comments after advertising a burger topping, introducing a halal alternative to bacon, with a photo of three Muslim women wearing a hijab. The advertisement prompted negative, Islamaphobic comments on facebook:</p> <p>"Not everyone is into terrorist cuisine or slaughter practises-nor funding terror either."</p> <p>"I personally cannot support a place that welcomes ghosts that repeatedly kill innocent citizens from my nation."</p> <p>"I wouldn't eat at a place that forces people to eat halal meat. Feed it to your own people. Bring real bacon im assuming the owners are Muslims."</p> <p>The owner of the restaurant addressed the negative comments by confronting the online haters in a post on the restaurant's facebook page. The post read "We're trying to give access to a</p>

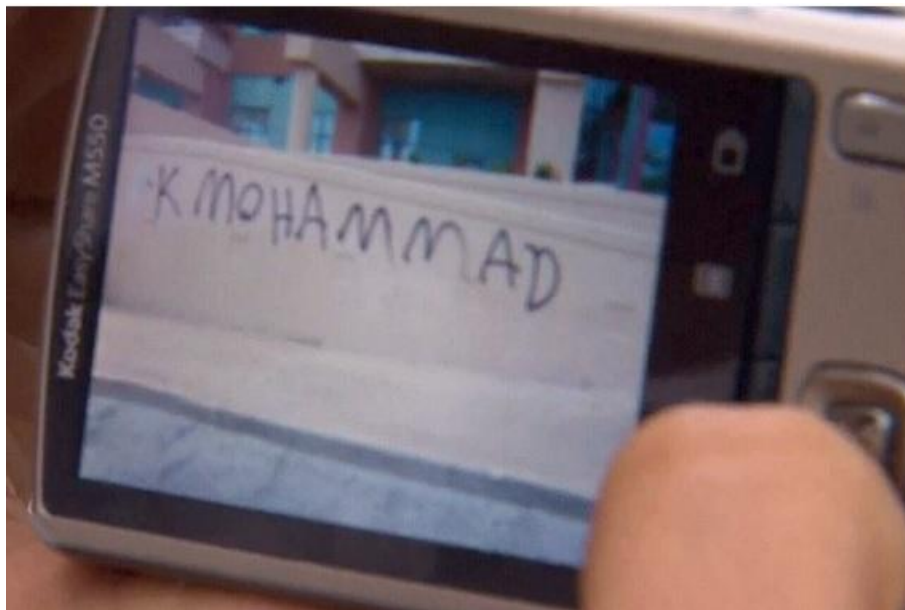
large demographic of Canadian who require this [halal meat] in their diet. As our prime minister put it so eloquently: IT'S 2015. If you're poisoning the positive vibes we've created, we don't want you in our restaurant. All of our customers are human who put other humans first regardless of where they are from (...) "

Media report:

[http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2015/12/18/ottawa-burgers-muslims\\_n\\_8841366.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2015/12/18/ottawa-burgers-muslims_n_8841366.html)

## APPENDICES: PICTURES

### APPENDIX 1:



### APPENDIX 2:





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APPENDIX 3:



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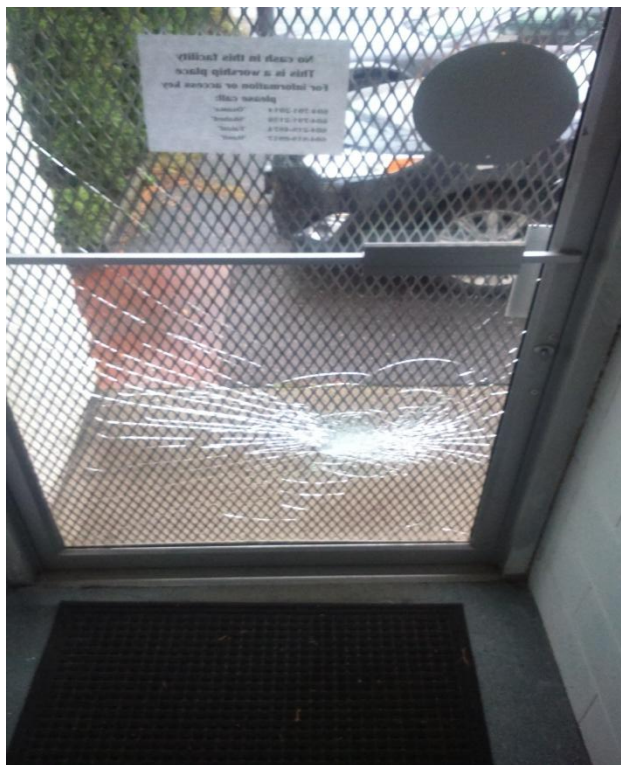
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**APPENDIX 6:**



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APPENDIX 7:



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APPENDIX 8:



A screenshot from an online video of a man in a joker mask, threatening to kill "one Arab a week."