



## ADVOCACY COMMITTEE FOR RACIAL ETHNIC CONCERNS

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Mr. Trump,

We are members of the Advocacy Committee for Racial Ethnic Concerns of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and write to you to express our deep concern about your repeated statements relative to ethnic minorities in our country. These repeated statements are prejudicial to the welfare and human rights of Muslim Americans as well as others. The latest remarks by you concerning a ban on entry of visitors to the United States based upon their religious affiliation is a form of discrimination which degrades all racial and ethnic minority citizens of this country.

We reject terrorism of any kind whether perpetrated by an individual or a state. Terrorism can take many forms and singling out individuals based on their religious affiliation is a form of terrorism as we see reprisals against innocent Muslims.

The United States is a country of immigrants and Muslims have long been part of the rich tapestry of the citizens of this country. Their contributions are many and their worldview is important to us as we struggle to understand other cultures so that we can live in peace and harmony with each other.

We end this letter by asking you to meditate upon and heed Micah's words: "He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

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