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SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING¹

If you see suspicious activity, please report it to your local police department. You can report on suspicious activities anonymously. If you are experiencing an emergency, please call 911 when reporting suspicious activity, it is helpful to give the most accurate description possible, including:

- 1) Brief description of the activity
- 2) Date, time and location of the activity
- 3) Physical identifiers of anyone you observed
- 4) Descriptions of vehicles
- 5) Information about where people involved in suspicious activities may have gone

WHAT IS A HATE CRIME? ²

A hate crime is a traditional offense like murder, arson, or vandalism with an added element of bias. For the purposes of collecting statistics, the FBI has defined a hate crime as a “criminal offense against a person or property motivated in whole or in part by an offender’s bias against a race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender, or gender identity.” Hate itself is not a crime—and the FBI is mindful of protecting freedom of speech and other civil liberties.

REACTING TO ANTI-MUSLIM HATE CRIMES³:

If you believe you have been the victim of a hate crime, you should:

- Report the crime to your local police station immediately. Ask that the incident be treated as a hate crime. Follow up with investigators. Inform CAIR even if you believe it is a “small” incident.
- Document the incident. Write down exactly what was said and/or done by the offender. Save evidence. Take photographs.
- Act quickly. Each incident must be dealt with when it happens, not when convenient.
- Decide on the appropriate action to be taken. Consider issuing a statement from community leaders, holding a news conference, organizing a protest, meeting with officials, or starting a letter writing campaign.
- Mobilize community support. Contact CAIR and a local mosque or organization.
- Stay on top of the situation.



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FILING REPORTS

- Get the responding officer's name and badge number.
- Make sure the officer files an incident report form and assigns a case number. ...
- If you believe the incident was bias-motivated, urge the officer to check the “hate/bias-motivation” or “hate crime/incident” box on the police report.

SIGNS OF SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR⁴

- Body language that suggests being watched or chased.
- Forcibly attempting to enter a locked vehicle or building.
- Transactions conducted from vehicles.
- One or more persons sitting in a parked car closely scanning an area.
- A person seemingly forced into a vehicle.
- An individual displaying unusual mental or physical symptoms.
- Unusual noises, including gunshots, screaming, sounds of fighting, barking dogs or anything suggesting foul play, danger or illegal activity.

REPORT HATE CRIME

- FBI Chicago: (312) 421-6700
- Illinois State Attorney General's Office: (312) - 814-2581
- Evanston Police: (847) 866-5000
- North Western University Police: (847) 491-3456
- Skokie Police: (847) 982-5900
- Niles Police: (847) 588-6500
- Chicago Police: (312) 744-5907
- CAIR: (312) 212-1520
- Dar-us-Sunnah Masjid and Community Center: (847) 859-9606
- Link to report discrimination <http://www.cairchicago.org/report-discrimination/>

Sources:

1. Department of Homeland Security. <https://www.dhs.gov/how-do-i/report-suspicious-activity>
2. FBI Website: <https://www.fbi.gov/investigate/civil-rights/hate-crimes>
3. CAIR Chicago <https://www.cairchicago.org/know-your-rights/>
4. North Western University Police. <http://www.northwestern.edu/up/crime/safety-tips.html>



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If approached by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)

According to American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)

1. Do not open the door unless the agents can show a warrant signed by a judge.

"Ask to see it (through a window or slipped under the door," the graphic, available in multiple languages, says. ICE administrative warrants don't allow agents to enter a home without the consent of the residents. Residents can ask through the door why the agents are there and request an interpreter if they need one.

2. If there is no warrant, ask the agents to leave information outside.
3. If the agents force their way into the home, according to ACLU "don't resist. Tell everyone in the residence to remain silent."
4. If you are arrested remain silent and do not sign anything until you speak to a lawyer.
5. Have a plan in place for what you will do if you or a family member is arrested.

That includes planning who will take care of children and possibly making Power of Attorney arrangements so a temporary caregiver can make decisions on the children's behalf if their parents are arrested or deported.

6. All important documents should be organized and stored in a secure location.

Including passports, birth certificates, marriage certificates and medical records. As per ACLU "It is important that neither you nor your family members give ICE your passport."

7. Do not lie to ICE but remember that you do have the right to stay silent.
8. Take notes of badge numbers, number of agents, time, and type of car and exactly what happened.

Source: <https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/what-do-if-immigration-agents-ice-are-your-door>



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From the Muslim Bar Association of Chicago website:

<http://www.muslimbar.org/muslimlawyers/2017/02/what-to-do-if-you-are-detained-at-an-airport.html>

What To Do If You Are Detained At An Airport

If you or someone you know is detained at an airport while attempting to return to the United States, or if you fear you may be detained upon arrival, please call the Council of American Islamic Relations-Chicago Chapter (CAIR-Chicago). They can be reached at (312) 212-1520. If you fear you may be detained upon arrival, please contact CAIR-Chicago via their Traveler's Assistance Project.

The experienced staff at CAIR-Chicago will take down your information and provide you guidance based on your individual situation. In some instances, they may refer you to another organization or an immigration attorney for follow up services. You can learn more about CAIR-Chicago at their website: cairchicago.org

The following advice is excerpted from CAIR-Chicago and should be reviewed prior to travel:

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS AS AN AIRLINE PASSENGER:

As an airline passenger, you are entitled to courteous, respectful and non-stigmatizing treatment by airline and security personnel. You have the right to complain about treatment that you believe is discriminatory.

If you believe you have been treated in a discriminatory manner, immediately:

- 1) Ask to speak to a supervisor.
- 2) Ask if you have been singled out because of your looks, dress, race, ethnicity, faith, or national origin.
- 3) Ask for the names and ID numbers of all persons involved in the incident.
- 4) Ask witnesses to give you their names and contact information.
- 5) Write down a statement of facts immediately after the incident. Be sure to include the flight number, the flight date, and the name of the airline.
- 6) Contact CAIR to file a report. If you are leaving the country, leave a detailed message, with the information above, at 202-488-8787. You may also file on-line at www.cairchicago.org/tap



Community Resources

*Dar-us-Sunnah Masjid and Community Center
Evanston, IL*

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Welcome to **T.A.P** CAIR-Chicago's Traveler's Assistance Project, a first of its kind nationally, created to help travelers secure legal help in light of the #MuslimBan. **T.A.P** is ONE stop shop. It includes an online system that collects at-risk traveler information and puts it in a queue for our in-house Attorney Corps and legal teams of our partner organizations to streamline on our ability to assist on the ground. It provides important traveler "know your rights" updates. Lastly, you can sign up to join us as a volunteer attorney or interpreter.

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TRAVELER ALERT

ALERT – The State Department has issued tonight a communication reinstating all cancelled visas for persons from the 7 countries covered by the Executive Order based on the Seattle Federal nationwide ruling. (UPDATED: 2/3/2017)

Stay tuned. Continue to register on TAP as this could conceivably be reversed again at a later date.



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ALERT – Federal judge in Seattle puts nationwide halt to Trump’s immigration order (UPDATED: 2/3/2017)

A federal judge in Seattle has ordered a halt to enforcement of President Trump’s controversial travel ban on citizens from seven predominantly Muslim nations.

U.S. District Judge James Robart ruled in favor Friday of Washington Attorney General Bob Ferguson, who sued to invalidate key provisions of Trump’s executive order. That order indefinitely blocks entry to the United States for Syrian refugees and temporarily suspends entry to citizens of seven majority-Muslim countries.

The temporary restraining order is granted on a nationwide basis, Robart said. Continue to register on TAP as this is a temporary halt.

ALERT – DO NOT SIGN i407 DOCUMENT, VOLUNTARILY ABANDONING GREEN CARD (UPDATED: 1/29/2017)

There are attempts at airports to get Muslim green card holders to sign away their Legal Permanent Resident Status voluntarily. Do NOT sign the i407 document that waives away your legal resident permanent status. They may try to coerce you, Hold your ground. Do not sign it. You have a RIGHT as a legal permanent resident NOT to sign it and instead to demand to appear before an immigration judge which they would have to admit you in to do. An immigration judge will be much more understanding and sympathetic as a neutral arbiter of the law, than an officer following political directives. We are not seeing this happen at O’Hare, but have heard it happening elsewhere nationwide. Know your rights and Please share with others.