

Muslim Association of Canada Responds to Report Regarding Inappropriate Remarks at Vancouver Mosque

Mississauga – November 1, 2017 – The Muslim Association of Canada (MAC) emphasizes the holistic message of Islam within the context of Canada’s diverse society.

Today, MAC issued the following statement regarding the October 31st report in the Vancouver Sun:

“It has come to our attention that a volunteer speaker at the Kingsway Mosque in Vancouver made inappropriate remarks during a sermon to our congregation in July 2017.

We will be immediately investigating this matter internally. In the meanwhile, that volunteer will not be delivering remarks at our facility.

MAC is committed to our shared Canadian values of diversity, respect, and religious tolerance.

Recently, MAC updated its policies and procedures, including as it relates to guidelines for volunteers, staff and guests. We continue to work towards even greater adherence to all protocols, ensuring that all volunteers at our facility align with the values of the organization.”

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The Muslim Association of Canada operates educational and community services to Canada's Muslim population. It is a Canadian organization that has been working to strengthen communities through education, service and charitable giving since 1997. Its mission is to emphasize a Muslim presence in Canada that is balanced, constructive, and integrated - though distinct, in the social fabric and culture of Canada.

For further information on MAC, please visit our website at <http://www.macnet.ca> or contact us directly at (905) 822-2626.