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I would like to thank the committee for this opportunity to share the evidence of a significant threat to this nation and the state of Oklahoma.

I am the President of UTT, the only organization in America training state and local law enforcement on how to locate and investigate jihadi organizations and jihadis in their area, and creating and implementing strategies for state officials to identify and dismantle the jihadi network in their state.

I am a 1989 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy who served nearly seven years as a Marine Infantry and Reconnaissance officer, including combat operations in Desert Storm. In 1996 I joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a Special Agent, and shortly after 9/11/2001 joined the Counterterrorism Division at the FBI's Washington Field Office. Through working national level terrorism cases and what the FBI calls "Major Cases," I learned about the massive jihadi network in the United States led by the Ikhwan known as the Muslim Brotherhood or "MB." Through this work, I discovered many of my fellow agents were not aware of this network, and I spent a great deal of time sharing the information I learned with others. This culminated in conducting the first training program in the government in August 2006 on the Muslim Brotherhood, Sharia, and the jihadi network.

I share this with you because it is ten years later and the dangerous ignorance among the very agencies in our government legally charged to deal with these threats remain strategically blind. The American people, the sovereign in this nation, are also unaware of this threat, which is the intentional outcome of the Global Islamic Movement's strategy.

Today, I would like to offer a brief overview of the threat nationally, and then discuss specific threats here in Oklahoma.

In November 2008, the largest terrorism financing and Hamas trial ever successfully prosecuted in American history ended with the conviction of the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development or "HLF" and its senior leaders.

When it was indicted in November 2001, the HLF was the largest Islamic charity in the United States and it was, in fact, a Hamas organization.

Going back for a moment: the very first national Islamic organization in the United States is the Muslim Students Association (MSA) first created at the University of Illinois at Urbana, and it was created by the Muslim Brotherhood.

So in 1963 the first national Islamic organization in the United States was created by the Muslim Brotherhood, and in 2001 the largest Islamic charity in the United States was a Muslim Brotherhood organization, specifically Hamas. Hamas is an inherent part of the Muslim Brotherhood - it is the Muslim Brotherhood in Palestine. Hamas is designated a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) by the government of the United States.

I ask you to keep in mind this is much more a counterintelligence and espionage matter than it is a terrorism matter.

The US v HLF case was prosecuted in the Northern District of Texas in Dallas, and was the result of a 15 year FBI investigation. This investigation encompassed a number of major events including the 1993 Philadelphia meeting of Hamas leaders at which the FBI put microphones in meeting rooms, tapped phone conversations, conducted physical surveillance and utilized other investigative techniques. Another significant event in our understanding of this threat came in 2004 when the FBI raided the home of a senior Muslim Brotherhood/Hamas leader named Ismail Elbarasse in Annadale, Virginia - ten minutes from the nation's capital. During this raid the FBI discovered the archives of the Muslim Brotherhood in North America. Muslim Brotherhood historical records, financial documents, lists of leaders and organizations, strategic documents, plans, photographs, audio and video recordings, and other such material was found during this raid, much of which was introduced as evidence in the HLF trial.

The implications of this trial are significant. The evidence reveals there is, in fact, an Islamic Movement in the United States led by the U.S. Muslim Brotherhood, which includes all of the prominent Islamic organizations here to include, but not limited to: the Islamic Circle of North America, Islamic Society of North America and its subsidiaries, Council on American Islamic Relations or CAIR which is a Hamas organization, Muslim Students Association, Muslim American Society, Muslim Communities Association, Islamic Medical Association, North American Islamic Trust - the bank for the Muslim Brotherhood, Fiqh Council of North America, International Institute of Islamic Thought, Muslim Public Affairs Council, Islamic Associations, and many others.

It should be note, a bill sits in Congress right now which, if passed, would designate the Muslim Brotherhood a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO).

The stated purpose of this movement, per the evidence in the HLF trial, is to wage *Civilization Jihad* to overthrow the United States and impose sharia (Islamic Law) as the law of the land. Evidence reveals this movement is well-organized, has thousands of organizations working daily to achieve its objectives, is well-funded, and is on course to succeed because it is nearly completely unopposed by the U.S. National Security apparatus.

The evidence from HLF reveals the Muslim Brotherhood in the United States: conducts weapons and jihadi training here; has its own internal security apparatus to protect it from outside dangers including federal intelligence and law enforcement agencies; has an operational Special Section, which is the military wing of the MB; and has a long-term plan to infiltrate various sectors of government and society to incrementally turn America from a Constitutional Republic into an Islamic State. Violent acts of jihad are used strategically to directly support this long-term objective.

In fact, the state of Oklahoma is specifically mentioned in an audio recording of a senior Muslim Brotherhood leader - Zeid al Noman - speaking to Muslim Brothers in Missouri in 1981. Even back then, Oklahoma law enforcement was frustrating the jihadis efforts and making it difficult for the jihadis to set up training camps and conduct weapons training.

The transcript of Zeid al Noman's speech as well as many of the documents referenced today can be found at UTT's website www.UnderstandingtheThreat.com.

In the HLF trial the Department of Justice entered into evidence Muslim Brotherhood documents which identify the Islamic Society of North America (ISNA) as the "nucleus" of the Muslim Brotherhood's jihadi network in North America. ISNA's bank records reveal ISNA directly funds Hamas and its leaders in violation of federal law. This is why the U.S. government identifies ISNA as a Muslim Brotherhood organization and an unindicted co-conspirator in the US v HLF case.

The HLF evidence also reveals the North American Islamic Trust (NAIT) operates as a trust for the Muslim Brotherhood, and owns many of the Brotherhood's properties in the United States. NAIT's bank records reveal NAIT directly funds Hamas and its leaders overseas. This is why the U.S. government identifies NAIT as a Muslim Brotherhood organization and an unindicted co-conspirator in the US v HLF case.

In fact the Government's Memorandum in Opposition to Petitioners Islamic Society of North America and North American Islamic Trust's Motion for Equitable Relief, (N.D. Tex. July 10, 2008) stated: "ISNA checks deposited into the ISNA/NAIT account for the HLF were often made payable to 'the Palestinian Mujahadeen,' the original name for the HAMAS military wing."

A declassified FBI document from the Bureau's Indianapolis Field Office dated December 15, 1987 related to the investigation of ISNA and NAIT states, in part: "The North American Islamic Trust (NAIT) was organized by the leaders of the Muslim Students Association of the United States and Canada (MSA) in 1973 as a parent organization of various Muslim groups in the U.S. and Canada. The leadership of NAIT, MSA, and other Muslim groups are inter-related, with many leaders and members of NAIT having been identified as supporters of the Islamic Revolution as advocated by the Government of Iran (GOI). Their support of JIHAD (a holy war) in the U.S. has been evidenced by the financial and organizational support provided through NAIT from Middle East countries to Muslims residing in the U.S. and Canada...NAIT also supports the recruitment, training and funding of black Muslims in the U.S. who support the Islamic Revolution. This funding includes travel within the U.S. to attend demonstrations and training at various Muslim centers, including training and conferences sponsored by the Islamic Society of North America and Canada (ISNA)...NAIT also has been identified as providing funds for the travel of black Muslims to Iran. Monies spent by NAIT in the U.S. go to supporters of the Islamic Revolution and are provided to NAIT from various Middle Eastern countries to include Iran, Libya, Kuwait, and Saudi Arabia."

This information has direct relevance to this committee and this state since two of the most influential Islamic organizations in Oklahoma, the Islamic Society of Greater Oklahoma City and the Grand Mosque of Oklahoma - also known as the American Muslim Association - are owned by the North American Islamic Trust or NAIT.

Property records for Oklahoma County reveal the owner of 3815 North Saint Clare Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma - the address for the Islamic Society of Greater Oklahoma City - is owned by the North American Islamic Trust (NAIT).

Property records for Oklahoma County reveal the owner of 3201 NW 48th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma - the address for the Grand Mosque in Oklahoma City - is owned by the North American Islamic Trust (NAIT).

In other words, the two most influential Mosques in Oklahoma are jihadi mosques. They are operated by terrorists. Suit-wearing jihadis if you will.

A declassified FBI source document dated August 17, 1988 provides more background on NAIT. The document states, in part: "SOURCE advised that in addition to the internal political structure and organization of NAIT, as controlled by the IIIT leadership, that as members of the IKHWAN they are involved in organizing external political support which involves influencing both public opinion in the United States as well as the United States Government...SOURCE has, based on comments and statements by the current leadership of the IIIT, determined they are implementing Phase I of the overall six phase IKHWAN plan to institute the Islamic Revolution in the United States. SOURCE has advised that the IKHWAN is a secret Muslim organization that has unlimited funds and is extremely well organized in the United States to the point where it has set up political action front groups with no traceable ties to the IIIT or its various Muslim groups...The IIIT leadership has indicated that in this phase their organization needs to peacefully get inside the United States Government and also American universities. SOURCE noted the ultimate goal of the Islamic Revolution is the overthrow of all non-Islamic Governments and that violence is a tool and a part of the Islamic Revolution."

While these reports are nearly 30 years old, all available evidence reveals NAIT, ISNA, IIIT, and all of the other Islamic organizations previously mentioned are still actively pursuing their stated objective: establish an Islamic State (caliphate) under sharia (Islamic Law). There is no evidence to the contrary.

One of the key documents found in the 2004 FBI raid in Virginia is the Muslim Brotherhood's strategic plan for North America, entitled "An Explanatory Memorandum." In it, the MB identifies their Islamic Centers as the "axis" of their Movement and the place at which they supply their "battalions." The document identifies their Islamic Centers as the place to train jihadis, house jihadis, prepare battle plans, and the place from which they will launch the jihad.

In fact, today, the evidence reveals there are over 3000 Islamic Centers/Mosques in all 50 states, most of which are controlled by the Muslim Brotherhood, including several here in Oklahoma.

It should be noted that all Islamic doctrine - including what is taught in Islamic schools in the United States - defines Islam as a "complete way of life governed by sharia." Specifically, in one of the most widely used texts in Islamic junior high schools in the United States [Emmerick, Yahya, What Islam is All About, 1999] it states that Jihad is one of three duties of all Muslims, defines it as physically confronting evil and wrongdoing (as defined by sharia), and teaches students "If anyone dies in a Jihad they automatically will go to Paradise." (Ibid, pg164)

Page 382 states: "The duty of the Muslim citizen is to be loyal to the Islamic State."

In addition to the Islamic Centers, there are over 700 Muslim Students Associations (MSAs) on nearly every major university and college campus recruiting jihadis. The MSAs are also setting up chapters in

U.S. high schools. There are over 170 Islamic Societies across the nation, including several in Oklahoma, which are subsidiaries of ISNA.

UTT has identified all of the Islamic advisors at the federal level of our government as agents of the Muslim Brotherhood or aligned Movements. The penetration of our system is historically unmatched in any government at any period of time.

The Muslim Brotherhood's own documents state the best place to establish an Islamic State in the West is in America, and UTT's professional assessment is that the MB structure here in the United States is more sophisticated than anywhere else on the planet.

In July of this year (2016) the former program manager of the Department of Defense's Irregular Warfare section at the Pentagon stated on a national radio program that the Muslim Brotherhood controls the U.S. national security decision-making process in this country.

UTT concurs with this assessment.

Here in Oklahoma, the jihadi network exists.

The most visible leaders in the Islamic community are, as a matter of fact, Muslim Brotherhood and/or Hamas leaders, or are ideologically aligned with them. These people present themselves as friendly, but if they are acting on behalf of the Muslim Brotherhood they are necessarily hostile and a threat to this community. Their stated objective is to wage Civilization Jihad until an Islamic State is established under sharia - Islamic Law.

100% of all published sharia obliges jihad until the world is under Islamic rule. 100% of all published sharia only defines jihad as warfare against non-Muslims. Islam is sharia and sharia is Islam.

A brief note on the enemy's deception: under sharia it is obligatory for a Muslim to lie to a non-Muslim if the goal is obligatory. Jihad is obligatory. Under the Law of Apostasy in Islam it is a capital crime for a Muslim to teach another Muslim anything that is not a part of sharia. Therefore, if a non-Muslim wants to understand sharia, he/she must read books of authoritative Islamic Law written for a Muslim audience. If we rely on leaders in the Islamic community, who are nearly all hostile because they are a part of the Muslim Brotherhood's Movement, we will always get information that is not based in fact. To develop policies, law enforcement programs, and war fighting strategies based on narratives that are untrue is exactly the reason we as a nation find ourselves we are in. We lost two wars in Afghanistan in Iraq because we failed to know the enemy. We created Islamic Republics in Afghanistan and Iraq under sharia because our Islamic advisors drove the train, which gave Al Qaeda exactly what they were fighting for there. This is utter strategic defeat. And this effort is being exerted by our enemies at the state level as well.

Here is a brief review of the specific hostile jihadi organizations operating in Oklahoma. I already mentioned the Grand Mosque in Oklahoma City and the Islamic Society of Greater Oklahoma City, but lets go a little deeper.

Islamic Societies are subsidiaries of the Islamic Society of North America. ISNA is the “nucleus” for the MB’s Movement here and is an unindicted co-conspirator in the largest terrorism financing and Hamas trial ever successfully prosecuted in U.S. history (US v HLF). The Islamic Society of Greater Oklahoma City - its name gives it away - is a subsidiary of ISNA. As previously stated, it is owned by NAIT so therefore it is a Muslim Brotherhood entity. ISGOC’s IRS-990 identifies ISNA as its parent organization. Its current Imam, Dr. Imam Imad Enchassi, is a Palestinian. A Palestinian Muslim Brother is Hamas. Hamas is a terrorist organization. Not surprisingly, Imam Enchassi sits on Hamas’ (CAIR’s) board of advisors per the comments in his bio on the ISGOC website.

A previous Imam of the ISGOC was Suhaib Webb, who was the resident scholar at the Islamic Society of Boston, another subsidiary of ISNA. ISB was founded by convicted Al Qaeda financier and Islamic advisor to President Clinton, Abdurahman Alamoudi, who is still in prison today. Suhaib Webb is also tied intricately into the Muslim Brotherhood’s network. Webb is tied to Al Qaeda as well via his relationship with Anwar al Awlaki, who was the leader of Al Qaeda in Yemen until he was targeted by a U.S. drone strike in September 2011 and killed.

Oklahoma also has Islamic Societies in Stillwater, Norman and Tulsa.

The Islamic Council of Oklahoma in Edmond is a Muslim Brotherhood umbrella organization which incorporates Muslim organizations under one roof and represents them to the U.S. Council of Muslim Organizations. The USCMO purports to be the first Muslim political party in the United States, but is actually a collection of the nation’s most prominent suit-wearing jihads, including the leader of Hamas doing business as CAIR, Nihad Awad.

The Muslim Brotherhood’s Muslim American Society (MAS) is also based in Edmond, and is one of the MB’s leading elements in their war here.

The Muslim Students Association (MSA) has chapters on a number of college and university campuses in Oklahoma to include Oklahoma State University Stillwater, University of Oklahoma in Norman, University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, University of Tulsa, and Southeastern Oklahoma State University, just to name a few.

It should be noted that the MSA’s have produced real jihadis to include, but certainly not limited to Al Qaeda financier Abdurahman Alamoudi, who was the MSA national president in the early 1980s, Al Qaeda leader Anwar al Awlaki who was the MSA President at Colorado State University, and Senior Al Qaeda leader and Logistics chief Wael Hamza Julaidan who was the President of the MSA at the University of Arizona.

The most aggressive and most vocal jihadi organization in Oklahoma is Hamas - doing business as CAIR. Chris Gaubatz provided detailed testimony on this, but it should be highlighted there is no factual or evidentiary basis to deny CAIR is a Hamas organization and its leaders are jihadis - what we call “terrorists.”

What I have briefly laid out here today, is that all of the prominent Islamic organizations in Oklahoma are hostile and a danger to this state and its citizens as a matter of fact and evidence. This state has

begun to see the effects of this hostile network here. Alton Nolen's beheading of Colleen Hufford in Moore, Oklahoma is a symptom of a much larger and growing cancer in Oklahoma. Alton Nolen's actions are lawful under sharia, which is taught at the Islamic Society of Greater Oklahoma City - the mosque he attended.

Any delay today in dealing with this danger in your state will lead to greater danger tomorrow.

We know the jihadis in ISIS, Al Qaeda, and other groups have made it clear U.S. military personnel and their families are targets for attacks. Oklahoma is home to all branches of our Armed Forces. From Fort Sill to Tinker Air Force Base to the Coast Guard Institute right here in Oklahoma City, these are targets in the eyes of the jihadis. And right here in Oklahoma City organizations teaching the same ideology as ISIS can be found at the Grand Mosque in Oklahoma City and the Islamic Society of Greater Oklahoma City. Will this be allowed to stand?

After hearing this, I suspect our enemy will stand before their lapdogs in the media and complain what we are doing here is, in some way, attacking a "faith" when in fact what we are doing here today is speaking truth about a real threat to the citizens of Oklahoma. And truth always offends those who do not have it. The challenge for this austere body is to stand firm in the truth. Do not give one inch to our enemy. Right here at the state and local level is where we will win or lose this war.

For the citizens who will hear this testimony, and for those of you in this room today, I encourage you to listen to what is said by the detractors of this hearing after it is over. You will notice they will never attack the facts. They cannot because these facts are unassailable. They will attack the messengers.

The ground truth in this war is this: our enemy is coming at us in multiple lines of operation to achieve their objectives. Through legal challenges, lawsuits, civil rights claims, propaganda and using their willing accomplices in the Oklahoma media, threats, intimidation, subversion, violence, and a host of other tactics, the Islamic Movement in Oklahoma has made significant strides. UTT's general assessment in Oklahoma is that unlike most states, Oklahoma has a population that is better educated on the threat than others, has receptive law enforcement agencies, and has elected officials willing to honestly and openly look at the threat and make reasonable decisions based on a factual understanding of the threat.

The first war America fought after the Revolution was against the Muslims. The Muslims of the Barbary States. President Thomas Jefferson sent our military, specifically our Marines, into Tripoli to defeat the Muslim states and we did. We are fighting the same enemy today. Some of them are in this room.

Oklahoma is uniquely positioned to take aggressive action and be a leader in this nation to set the example for other states to follow. UTT stands ready to assist in any way we are able. Thank you very much for giving me this opportunity to testify today.