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A Message from the UNH Muslim Student Association

September 18, 2001

As president of the Muslim Student Association at UNH, and on behalf of the Muslim and Arab community at UNH, I would like to state that as a Muslim of Arab origin, I am as horrified by today's tragic events as any other American, and truly saddened by the bigoted comments against Muslims and Arabs by many of the viewers and members in the media. We need to remember that we do not know who committed these atrocities. Even if it turns out to be a Muslim or an Arab, we need to be careful not to blame a whole community for the actions of a few.

All Muslim organizations in this country and abroad, condemn this barbaric act; their feelings of deep sympathy for the victims and their families are shared by all Muslims and Arabs here and around the world.

To reiterate a statement by the American Muslim Political Coordination Council (AMPCC):

"The American Muslims utterly condemn what are vicious and cowardly acts of terrorism against innocent civilians. We join with all Americans in calling for the swift apprehension and punishment of the perpetrators. No political cause could ever be assisted by such immoral acts."

Our prayers are with the victims and their families.

Salam/Peace,

Shaima Faisal MSA President

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