

the situation under control. He added that the international community could not be held hostage to the acts of extremists on either side. The Secretary General believed that the solution could only be found by addressing the issues pertaining to the freedom of religion and freedom of expression through structured international engagement and referred to the OIC initiative embodied in UN Human Rights Council Resolution 16/18 and the Istanbul Process for its consensual implementation which provide with the avenues for such engagement.

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From: Hussain, Rashad [<mailto:HussainR@state.gov>]
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Subject: Urgent: Anti-Islamic Film and violence

Ambassador Gokcen and Cenk,

I hope you are doing well. I am sure you are considering putting out a statement on the film and the related violence. In addition to the condemnation of the disgusting depictions, it will be important to emphasize the need to respond in a way that is consistent with Islamic principles, i.e., not engaging in violence and taking innocent life. We are concerned about violence that could spread across the region, particularly on Friday after prayers. Thanks for your attention to this and I look forward to catching up with you by phone as well.

Rashad

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