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### TRI-FAITH INITIATIVE THREATENS LAWSUIT AGAINST DISSENTER

Clearly concerned that further scrutiny might derail land deal

Omaha, NE, 1BJune 3, 2014– Dr. Mark Christian, Executive Director of the Omaha-based Global Faith Institute has received an unsigned letter from the Tri-Faith Initiative in Omaha Nebraska, threatening him with legal action if he continues to ask questions about the apparent links between the proposed Mosque at the center of the project and groups tied to the Muslim Brotherhood.

*“The Tri-Faith Initiative’s unwillingness to renounce associations with groups currently listed as ‘unindicted co-conspirators’ in a federal terrorism prosecution is deeply troubling and warrants a better answer than ‘trust us’.”*

- Dr. Mark Christian

The Tri-Faith Initiative is presently engaged in soliciting a buyer for the Christian portion of the project and has responded to Dr. Christian’s very reasonable requests for transparency and information by issuing a thuggish threat to seek monetary damages should his “slander and libel” result in the loss of their buyer.

It is the position of the Global Faith Institute that a wiser course of action for the Tri-Faith board would be to engage with the concerned citizens of Omaha and answer their concerns relating to the troublesome connections between this project and known bad actors in the promotion of radical Islamic-Supremacy.

Dr. Christian continues -

*"I am a former Muslim who came to this city seeking safety from the Muslim Brotherhood. For the safety of myself and my family, I have no choice but to resist any attempt to provide a foothold for radical Islamism in my adopted home. Why won't the Mosque simply renounce these radical connections and open their books to an independent auditor?"*

Dr. Christian's impassioned plea has thus far gained him nothing, as those in a position to respond to his concerns refuse to do so, choosing instead to follow a path of intimidation. If peace-loving Muslims refuse to disassociate themselves with radical Islamists, how are the citizens of Omaha to differentiate between the two? The Global Faith Institute and Dr. Mark Christian call on the leaders of the Tri-Faith Initiative to assist the residents of Omaha in that goal, rather than hinder them.

Find attached Dr. Christian's response to your newspaper's article titled *"Christian partner in Tri-Faith site may change; Countryside Community Church mulls offer."*

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If you would like more information about this topic, please contact Dr. Mark Christian at 402-933-3730 or email at [mark@globalfaithinstitute.org](mailto:mark@globalfaithinstitute.org).



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To Whom it may concern,

I find it an egregious miscarriage of “journalism” that the article entitled, “Christian partner in Tri-Faith site may change; Countryside Community Church mulls offer”, was published without any mention of the controversy surrounding the Tri Faith Initiative and its relationship with outside organizations.

I speak specifically of the relationship between the American Institute of Islamic Studies and Culture (AIISC), a Tri Faith partner, and both the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR) and the Islamic Society of North America (ISNA). For those who aren’t aware, both CAIR and ISNA are not only known Muslim Brotherhood front groups, but are also both listed as ‘unindicted co-conspirators’ in the largest terrorism funding case in American history. The Muslim Brotherhood is banned in a number of countries across the globe because of terrorist activities as well. Great Britain has recently opened an investigation into the organizations dealings within their borders.

I’ve talked to representatives from each partner group at the Tri Faith and asked them to simply cut ties with both CAIR and ISNA. Each time I’ve been told “we have no ties to these groups, so there’s nothing to renounce.” However, I point out to them that, indeed, both organizations are listed on the Tri Faith website, and the then-President of ISNA was invited to Omaha in 2009 to speak at a Tri-Faith function, they then revert to denying that ISNA or CAIR are part of the Muslim Brotherhood.

Interestingly, once I make a definitive case supporting the fact that both organizations are most certainly Muslim Brotherhood front groups, some have gone so far as to then question whether the Muslim Brotherhood is actually an organization with hostile intent toward Christians, Jews and the western world. As someone who was raised in a family of high level Muslim Brotherhood members, let me assure you, the Muslim Brotherhood does not have America’s best interest at heart, let alone Christians and Jews.

To the Tri-Faith Initiative, I would ask this question... “If any church in town were to list an organization such as the Aryan Brotherhood (for example) on their website for the purpose of providing ‘additional information’ or ‘reference’, would you feel that that church was aligned with the Aryan Brotherhood?”

We both know the answer to that question. So, that being the case, why is it such a challenge for the Tri-Faith Initiative to renounce organizations which represent equally extreme ideological beliefs (albeit from a different perspective)?

I've stated publicly on numerous occasions, that I'm more than happy to support the concept of a Tri-Faith Initiative, provided they aren't aligned with known Muslim Brotherhood front groups or other known terrorism-supporting organizations. It would seem, given the preponderance of the evidence, that cutting ties with these organizations would be an easy, sensible choice...good for the Tri-Faith, the community and the country.

As to the members at Countryside Community Church, I would ask that you consider pressuring the Tri-Faith Initiative to cut all ties with both CAIR and ISNA *before* accepting any invitation for partnership. Why put the integrity of your church at risk over an issue that, if there are really no ties, should be such a simple thing?

If anyone has additional questions regarding the Tri-Faith Initiative and its current ties to Muslim Brotherhood front groups, please don't hesitate to contact me at [info@globalfaithinstitute](mailto:info@globalfaithinstitute).

Sincerely,  
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