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## **FOR IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE**

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WNY Muslims denounces the “Punish a Muslim Day” letter that has scathed across the United Kingdom like a plague. Some believe that it is a hoax, a play on April fool’s day, but we assure all, that Muslims take this very seriously.

Deliberate negative narrative buildup by hate groups create and fed the frenzy of misunderstandings and misrepresentations that dominate the media.

The letter in circulation encourages, rewards and justifies hurting Muslims. It has a repulsive point system; people receive points for hurting, abusing and attacking Muslims.

Everyday Muslims are punished; there is no need of a day for it. Everyday children are starving in Syria, bombs killing civilians in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Muslims who flee for safety in Europe and the Americas are greeted with hostilities, the boats they flee on in the Mediterranean sit at the bottom of the sea. More PEOPLE that are Muslim have been killed at the hands of terrorism than the believers of any other religion.

November 9th 1934, 80 years ago our Jewish brethren were harassed, beaten, killed, and tortured as they watched their synagogues burned and store fronts smashed. It was one of the darkest nights in Western history. Before the flame of hate can muster we must extinguish it or the whole world will be engulfed.

The only way to combat this narrative is by coming together. We cannot be manipulated, we cannot give into those who want violence, we cannot be divided, and we must stand together in peace and unity. Love your neighbor as thy self, let this be the day we do so, #loveamuslimday. We thank all law enforcement officers and officials as they keep the peace on this day.

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