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(WASHINGTON, D.C., 6/5/2008) - Representatives of the Washington-based Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) are taking part in a conference on interfaith dialogue being held in the Muslim holy city of Mecca.

The three-day conference, attended by hundreds of Islamic scholars and religious leaders from throughout the world, is part of a recently-announced initiative by Saudi Arabia's King Abdullah to promote dialogue between Muslims and followers of other faiths.

Conference attendees are discussing the legitimacy, objectives, themes, and methodology of interfaith dialogue from an Islamic perspective, in preparation for expanded outreach to other faith groups.

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"This ground-breaking conference is a significant step toward both improving relations between people of faith and building a more peaceful future for all our children," said CAIR Co-Founder Nihad Awad, who is taking part in the Mecca conference.

Awad said other American Muslim leaders are participating in the conference, including CAIR National Board Member Larry Shaw, a state senator from North Carolina.

CAIR, America's largest Islamic civil liberties group, has 35 offices and chapters nationwide and in Canada. Its mission is to enhance the understanding of Islam, encourage dialogue, protect civil liberties, empower American Muslims, and build coalitions that promote justice and mutual understanding.

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