

ACT! for America

Bureau Chief Heather Hunt
Department of Justice, FARA Registration Unit
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Dear Ms. Hunt:

On July 16, 2010, the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) issued a media release demanding that the Emerald Coast Tea Party Patriots remove Brigitte Gabriel, president of ACT! for America, as one of its speakers at an August 21, 2010 event.

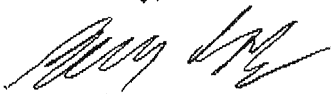
A copy of the release is enclosed. As you can see, both Ms. Gabriel and ACT! for America were named in the release. This is not the first time CAIR has issued such a release to an organization hosting Ms. Gabriel as a speaker.

We believe that CAIR's action in this instance, intended to pressure the Emerald Coast Tea Party Patriots and the non-profit organization ACT! for America, is a violation of the Foreign Agents Registration Act, because CAIR has not registered as a foreign agent or reported activity of this kind.

The website <http://www.cair/observatory.org> provides extensive documentation demonstrating CAIR has met with, coordinated with, and received millions of dollars from foreign entities and principals. These activities, taken together, appear to meet the requirements set forth in FARA that CAIR register as a foreign agent and report any activity intended to "influence...any section of the public within the United States."

On behalf of ACT! for America and Ms. Gabriel, I am writing to ask for a formal investigation by the FARA Unit of CAIR's coordination with foreign entities, receipt of foreign monies, influence operations in the United States, and CAIR's failure to register as a foreign agent and report such activities.

Sincerely,



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CAIR Asks Fla. Tea Party to Drop Anti-Islam Speaker

Keynote speaker is leader of hate group who says Muslims should be barred from public office

WASHINGTON, July 18 (PRNewswire-USNewswire) -- A prominent national Muslim civil rights and advocacy organization today called on a Tea Party group in Florida to drop an extremist anti-Islam speaker who has stated that Muslims should not be allowed to hold public office, that an American Muslim "cannot be a loyal citizen" and that Islam is the "real enemy."

The Washington-based Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) said the Emerald Coast Tea Party Patriots has invited Brigitte Gabriel, the head of the anti-Islam hate group ACT! for America, to be the keynote speaker at its "U.S. Constitution Freedom Rally" on August 21 in Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

SEE: U.S. Constitution Freedom Rally

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August 21, 2009, 10:00 AM EDT

CAIR is also calling on political candidates scheduled to appear at the event, including GOP Senate candidate Marco Rubio, to cancel their appearances unless Gabriel is dropped as a speaker.

This request comes just a day after CAIR offered support for an NAACP resolution passed earlier this week asking the Tea Party movement to condemn racism within its ranks.

SEE: CAIR Backs NAACP Resolution on Tea Party Racism

[CAIR Backs NAACP Resolution on Tea Party Racism](#)
July 15, 2009, 10:00 AM EDT

CAIR has also learned that California "Tea Party activists" are scheduled to be trained by ACT! for America on July 20 about "how to be an effective activist against Political Islam and its threat to our way of life."

SEE: ACT! for AMERICA: Basic Training Class 101

[ACT! for AMERICA: Basic Training Class 101](#)
July 20, 2009, 10:00 AM EDT

"Now is the time for Tea Party leaders to clearly demonstrate that their movement will not allow itself to be associated with bigotry of any kind, including Islamophobia," said CAIR National Communications Director Ibrahim Hooper.

Hooper noted that along with her stated desire to have Muslims barred from public office, Gabriel has also claimed that Arabs "have no soul" and that Muslims worship "something they call 'Allah,' which is very different from the God we believe [in]."

SEE: A Case Study in Sincere Hypocrisy: Brigitte Gabriel

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Video: Brigitte Gabriel Says Arabs Have No Souls

[Brigitte Gabriel Says Arabs Have No Souls](#)
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Earlier this year, a person staffing an ACT! for America information table in Florida was caught on video bragging that he desecrated the Quran, Islam's revealed text, and urinates in the washing stations Muslims use to perform their ritual ablutions (wudu) for prayer.

SEE: Person at ACT! for America Table in Fla. Stages of Desecrating Quran

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Gabriel told the Australian Jewish News: "Every practicing Muslim is a radical Muslim." She also claimed that "Islamofascism is a politically-correct word... it's the vehicle for Islam... Islam is the problem."

When asked whether Americans should "invite Muslims who want to seek political office in this nation," Gabriel said:

"Absolutely, if a Muslim who has -- who is -- a practicing Muslim who believes the word of the Quran to be the word of Allah, who identifies by Islam, who goes to mosque and prays every Friday, who prays five times a day -- this practicing Muslim, who believes in the teachings of the Quran, cannot be a loyal citizen to the United States of America."

CAIR is America's largest Muslim civil liberties and advocacy organization. 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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