

# An Organization behind massive 'Super Eid' Muslim celebration at Minnesota Vikings Stadium labeled a terrorist organization

An organization linked to a designated terrorist group participated at the "Super Eid" event at U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis Tuesday and Wednesday to celebrate the Muslim holiday Eid al-Adha.

Members from the group called the Muslim American Society participated in the massive two-day event, which included an estimated 15,000 to 30,000 participants. Imam Asad Zamam, executive director of the Muslim American Society in Minnesota, was a featured speaker at the event, according to the event's website.

Thousands of Muslim participants at the event in the Minnesota Vikings stadium chanted "Allahu akbar" while praying, WND reported. The phrase loosely translates into "God is the greatest," however, it is also frequently used in acts of radical Islamic terrorism.



Muslim worshippers pray at the US Bank Stadium during celebrations for Eid al-Adha on August 21, 2018 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. (Photo: KEREM YUCEL/AFP/Getty Images)

There's no evidence that anyone at the event has ties to terrorism, however, one of the organizations there does. The Muslim American Society was designated a terrorist organization not by the U.S., but by the United Arab Emirates in 2014 for its ties to another terrorist organization called the Muslim Brotherhood, The Daily Caller reported on Nov. 15, 2014.

The U.S. Muslim Brotherhood secretly created the Muslim American Society in 1993 when its leaders began to fear the attention being drawn to some of its members who supported Hamas, another terrorist organization, the Chicago Tribune reported in 2004.

When the United Arab Emirates released the list of 85 terrorist groups, it surprisingly left out U.S. designated terrorist organizations Hamas and Hezbollah, The Washington Post reported. UAE also designated the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) a terrorist group.

CAIR was considered a co-conspirator in the Holy Land Foundation case in 2007, whose leaders were found guilty of aiding Hamas. **(RELATED: ISIS Claims Responsibility For Toronto Mass Shooting)**

When the Muslim American Society found out it was included on United Arab Emirates's list of terrorist groups, the group was shocked, as it claims it has never had any contact with the country.

"The Muslim American Society was shocked to read news reports claiming that the United Arab Emirates has listed the Muslim American Society, along with numerous other organizations, as a terrorist organization," the organization said in a statement in 2014. "Before proceeding any further, we would first like to verify the accuracy of the news reports and receive an official response from the United Arab Emirates regarding the reports."

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