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## **Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA Celebrates Supreme Court's Ruling on Hijab in the Workplace**

*Grateful for Court upholding American values*

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA applauds the United States Supreme Court for ruling in favor of Samantha Elauf in her religious discrimination suit against retailer Abercrombie & Fitch. In 2008, Abercrombie & Fitch denied Elauf employment because she wears hijab, or the Islamic head covering.

“This ruling aligns with American values of freedom of religion and practice,” said Dr. Nasim Rehmatullah, Senior Vice President of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA, “It is critical to the success of our diverse nation that companies learn from this and adapt their policies to work in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.”

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA has championed the Islamic principles of justice and religious freedom in all affairs of government. This Supreme Court ruling advances these causes, and we hope to see them continue.

### **About Ahmadiyya Muslim Community:**

*The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is a dynamic, reformist and fast-growing international movement within Islam. Founded in 1889, the Community spans 206 countries with membership exceeding tens of millions. Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA, established in 1920, is among the oldest American-Muslim organizations.*

*The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is the only Islamic organization to believe that the long-awaited messiah has come in the person of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (1835-1908) of Qadian, India. Ahmad claimed to be the metaphorical second coming of Jesus of Nazareth and the divine guide, whose advent was foretold by the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad. The Community believes that God sent Ahmad, like Jesus, to end religious wars, condemn bloodshed and reinstitute morality, justice and peace. Ahmad's advent has brought about an unprecedented era of Islamic revival and moderation. He divested Muslims of fanatical beliefs and practices by vigorously championing Islam's true and essential teachings.*

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