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To Whom It May Concern,

Dear Sir / Madam

My name is Salah Yousef Habib. I am the contract chaplain (Imam) for the Islamic Services at the Victorville Federal Correctional Complex, Victorville, California.

I am writing to you in regards to the case of Ms. Hamedah Hasan.

I have known Ms. Hassan as a Muslim inmate, coming regularly to the religious services sessions. In a group study, we have discussed many subjects that deal with the human character, spirituality, responsibility, repentance, God conscience, and others. I always noticed that Ms. Hassan is very objectively taking the lead in each discussion and helping other attendees to understand the subject in simple terms. She set an excellent example and became a roll model for other Muslim inmates, who said “in following the example of Ms. Hassan we have experienced a great deal of spiritual growth and she was always encouraging us to keep our Islamic practices”.

Ms. Hassan deserves the chance to be returned to her daughters and family, whom they have long been waiting to embrace her and welcome her and live with her a normal life. I am confident she will be supported by her family and by her community.

As it says in the name of the institution “Federal Correctional Institution”, I believe Ms. Hassan is a successful case of a person who over paid for a crime committed at a very young and immature age. Now, she is ready to pass her positive experience and show that she is a model citizen.

Thank you,

Yours

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