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Re: Appeal Concerning the Desperate Plight of Christians in Egypt

The whole world is witnessing, with horror, the desperate situation being faced by Christians in Egypt. Dozens of innocent people have been killed while numerous individuals have suffered injuries and inhuman harassment.

We are concerned that unless it is effectively addressed in a timely manner, a religious persecution of the type that has occurred in Egypt may trigger a serious international tension.

We also believe that the ongoing calamity being perpetrated against Christians in Egypt is contrary to the very principles that ushered in the “Arab Spring” which should include the respect of international human rights.

We, therefore, appeal to the USA Department of State, the United Nations as well as the Egyptian Embassy to take effective steps by calling on the Egyptian government to cease its illegal and inhuman actions against

Christians in Egypt and to bring to justice all those individuals who perpetrated the crime against humanity.

Respectfully,

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