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## Welcome Message

We wish that you and the community are well. We hope you will enjoy this issue of the News Journal, and you will share it with your family and friends. If you have your own list please forward this News Journal to your list.

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# News Brief

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News and Analysis (11/28/20)

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1. "Ellie Geranmayeh of the European Council on International Relations said on Twitter that the 'objective behind the killing wasn't to hinder (Iran's) nuclear programme but to undermine diplomacy,'" and the National Iranian American Council feels the same way:
  - [Iran Accuses Israel of Killing Top Nuclear Scientist, Vows 'Revenge'](#) (Economic Times)
  - [NIAC Statement on the Assassination of Iranian Nuclear Scientist](#) (NIAC)
2. The IDF "claimed the incidents were part of Israel's armed conflict with Hamas — even if the protesters were largely unarmed civilians who took no part in hostilities":
  - [Gaza's Great Return March: 234 Killed, 17 Investigations, One Indictment](#) (972)
3. "Israeli forces have a [long history](#) of attacking Palestinian medics and healthcare workers in the occupied territories. Last year, a [UN investigation](#) called the occupied Palestinian territories 'one of the most dangerous places in the world for healthcare workers':
  - [Israeli Soldiers Attack Medics Treating Injured Palestinian in Jordan Valley](#) (Middle East Eye)
4. To the BJP, Muslim men are demons, Hindu "women are so 'silly and helpless' that they will be seduced (by Muslim males, of course) and bring dishonour to the family and community," and love is weapon against which the state must legislate:
  - [The Bottomless Pit of Anti-Muslim Legislation](#) (Tribune)
5. The PDP chief minister is detained to prevent her from meeting with a party leader who has been arrested and her daughter is out under house arrest one day before election:
  - [Kashmir: Mehbooba Mufti, Daughter Allegedly Put Under House Arrest](#) (Hindustan Times)
6. The fact that her husband was an Israeli citizen "led Iranian authorities to genuinely think it was proof of a conspiracy she was an Israeli spy, and [moreover] the regime knew it could use it to pressure Australia and Israel for something big in return for her release":
  - [How Australia Negotiated the Release of Kylie Moore-Gilbert from Iran](#) (Sydney Morning Herald)
7. A court upheld the city's charges "that the hotel had failed to meet safety regulations," but the hotel owner charges that the city never issued citations against "other hotels with similar problems" that were not housing Syrian refugees:
  - [Sterling Heights Hotel in Dispute with City Alleges Anti-Muslim, Anti-refugee Bias](#) (Detroit Free Press)

## Editorial

Joe Biden has won the Presidential elections. The Senate likely will continue to be in Republican hands, and the Democratic majority in the House has shrunk noticeably. We will continue to witness a government that does not make headway on important issues.

For the Muslim Community in USA the most important issue is the systemic denial of Citizens Rights to our community, our depiction in the manipulatively negative light, and our persecution in a systemically unjust society.

Whoever is in power, the Democrats and Republicans are equally hostile to the Muslim Community in USA. It would be foolish to expect something just or equitable to happen because it is the right thing. The community has to take its destiny in its own hands.

First of all that means to have a Think Tank of the Muslim Community in USA.

We must cement our role as a community in USA. Now we have 3 Muslim Representatives in the House. By 2024 let us dedicatedly work to have 10 Muslim Representatives in the House. Let us exercise all our resources to have one Muslim Senator by 2026.

Let us clearly demonstrate that the Muslim community in USA is a force to be reckoned with.

## Moving On

With the population of USA divided right in the middle, the Muslim Community in USA has the opportunity to vote as a block and push certain candidates over the 50-50 barrier to electoral Success. This the community must do in order to establish itself as a force to be reckoned with.

It is already perceived to have happened.

### How Arab and Muslim-Americans may have helped Biden win Michigan

Polls show Muslim-Americans voted in record numbers in this week's still-contested US election.

Arab and Muslim voters turned out in unprecedented numbers in the US election and may have ultimately helped former Vice President Joe Biden secure victory in Michigan, according to polling results.

According to an exit poll from the Council on American-Islamic Relations, or CAIR - the largest civil rights organisation for US Muslims, well over one million American Muslims participated in the election.

The data indicates that 69 percent of US Muslims voted for Biden. Another 17 percent voted for President Donald Trump, four percentage points more than he received from the community in 2016.

“The Muslim community’s significant ability to impact the results of numerous races across this country – including the presidential election – was recognized nationally by candidates and the media,” said CAIR national executive director Nihad Awad.

CAIR’s director of government affairs, Robert McCaw, said that there is “no denying” the important role that American Muslims now play in local, state and national politics.

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As a symbolism, Joe Biden has declared that the Muslim Travel Ban would be lifted immediately.

### US ‘Muslim ban’ set to end ‘on day one’ of Biden presidency

President-elect has pledged to immediately halt travel restrictions imposed by the Trump administration on more than a dozen nations.

On the first day of his presidency, president-elect Joe Biden intends to rescind Donald Trump’s travel bans on travellers from 13 countries, most either majority-Muslim or African nations.

Shortly after taking office in 2017, Trump issued an executive order that banned travellers from seven majority-Muslim nations from entering the United States.

The Trump administration reworked the order several times amid legal challenges and the Supreme Court upheld a version of it in 2018. The countries subject to entry restrictions have changed over the years.

The bans could be easily undone as they were issued by executive order and presidential proclamation, according to policy experts, but lawsuits from conservatives could delay the process.

In October, Biden also promised to push politicians for laws to fight the surging number of hate crimes in the US.

“As president, I’ll work with you to rip the poison of hate from our society to honour your contributions and seek your ideas. My administration will look like America with Muslim Americans serving at every level,” he [said](#).

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However,

## **Muslim voters want more than ‘just a seat’ at the table from President-elect Joe Biden**

In the lead-up to the midterm election two years ago, Sara Deen noticed that many fellow Muslims in her South Bay community weren’t voters. Some didn’t understand the process. More lacked faith that their voice would matter or had trouble navigating a ballot.

She decided to prepare a voter guide and hand it out to friends and members of her mosque during Friday prayers. This year, she’s seen an [increase in engagement from Muslim voters](#) — friends and acquaintances alike. They’ve asked for her help explaining state propositions, pored over her recommendations and debated their merits over WhatsApp and Zoom.

“I love it, and it means people are coming into their voice in my community,” said Deen, a Rancho Palos Verdes resident. “But what’s been disappointing is how often it feels like other politicians want to co-opt our voice but are not super interested in what we have to say.”

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