Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood Rejects The U.S. Treasury Designation



We categorically reject the decision issued on January 13, 2026 by the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) designating the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist (SDGT). This designation is both detached from reality and unsupported by evidence. It is a result of foreign pressure on the United States, particularly from the UAE and Israel, to adopt policies that serve external agendas rather than the interests of the American people.

The Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood will pursue all appropriate legal avenues to challenge this decision and to protect the rights of the organization and its members.

We unequivocally deny the allegations that the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood has directed, funded, provided material support to or engaged in terrorism, or that it has engaged in actions aimed at destabilizing any state. Furthermore, the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood has never threatened the security of the United States.

The Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood is a peaceful civic and social movement committed to reform through lawful and democratic means. We have long rejected violence in all its forms and have consistently affirmed that political and social change must be pursued peacefully.

This designation politicizes counterterrorism tools, conflates peaceful Islamic civic engagement with extremism, and reinforces narratives that marginalize Muslims. The decision will result in the suppression of nonviolent political movements and will undermine stability, security, and democratic governance, and provide authoritarian

regimes with political cover to repress political opponents and civil society through mass arrests, asset seizures, travel restrictions, and the suppression of lawful civic, charitable, and religious activity. These consequences will affect millions of Muslims worldwide.

We remain committed to peaceful engagement and dialogue. We call on the U.S. government to reconsider this decision based solely on the interests of the American people and verifiable facts on the ground, rather than foreign pressures. When assessed through an independent, evidence-based process, similar proposals have consistently been rejected by previous U.S. administrations.

We call upon human rights organizations, civil society institutions, and the American public to reject Islamophobic narratives, and to uphold the principles of dialogue, cooperation, and compassion that justice demands and that are affirmed across all faith traditions.

About the Muslim Brotherhood

Since its founding in 1928, the Muslim Brotherhood has adhered to a philosophy of peaceful social reform rooted in Islamic values of justice, compassion, and service. Our movement rejects violent extremism in all forms. For nearly a century, the Muslim Brotherhood has focused on peaceful civic and educational efforts, establishing schools, hospitals, and charities for moral and social betterment, consistent with the prophetic tradition. The Muslim Brotherhood is a centrist Islamic movement whose ideology represents tens of millions of Muslims around the globe. These facts are well-documented and recognized by scholars and observers worldwide.

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