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# AMERICAN MUSLIMS AND THE CHALLENGE OF PLURALISM

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The new diaspora discourse on pluralism in North America displays a strong awareness of the need for a pluralistic interpretation of the Qur'anic verses that have been utilized by extremists to justify terrorist actions. This is seen as crucial not only to assuage the doubts and apprehensions of the general public, but also — in a more important way — to address the reality of diversity within the North American Muslim community itself, and the challenge of forging a united constituency. Islam is projected as a way of life, a culture, and so as providing guidance on issues of "diversity, unity, harmony, tolerance and peace."

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