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Sent: Tue 11/24/2015 5:54 AM (GMT-05:00)
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Cc: "Pitcock, Josh" <jpitcock@sso.org>, "Atterholt, Jim" <jatterholt@gov.IN.gov>
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From: Pavlik, Jennifer L
Sent: Wed 12/09/2015 3:15 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Mike Pence" <MPENCE1314@aol.com>
Cc: "Atterholt, Jim" <jatterholt@gov.IN.gov>, "Brooks, Kara D" <kbrooks@gov.in.gov>, "Lloyd, Matthew" <MLloyd@gov.IN.gov>, "Triol, Shelley" <STriol@gov.IN.gov>
Bcc:
Subject: Fwd: Invitation for Church Event

Sir, See below Syrian request Friday night.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Morales, Cesar (Diego)" <DMorales@gov.IN.gov>
Date: December 9, 2015 at 12:45:22 PM EST
To: "Pavlik, Jennifer L" <JPavlik@gov.IN.gov>
Cc: "Hill, John (GOV)" <jhill@gov.in.gov>, "Ahearn, Mark" <MAhearn@gov.IN.gov>, "Lloyd, Matthew" <MLloyd@gov.IN.gov>, "Triol, Shelley" <STriol@gov.IN.gov>, "Atterholt, Jim" <jatterholt@gov.IN.gov>
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Jenn,

I got the below invitation for review. Thank you!

Best regards,

Diego

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mouhammed Sakkal <msakkal@>
Date: December 9, 2015 at 11:56:55 AM EST
To: dmorales@gov.in.gov
Subject: Invitation for Church Event

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Hello,

I hope this finds you well.

I am honored to invite you and Governor Pence to an event this Friday at 6:30pm at the Epworth United Methodist Church in Indianapolis. This will be a

meet and greet for the public of some Syrian refugee families so people can come meet their new neighbors. We respect the Governor and his position, but we would like for him to come meet a family in his state first-hand. Details for the event are in the Press Release below.

Best Regards,

Mouhammed Sakkal
Syrian American Council



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PRESS RELEASE

SAC, EPWORTH CHURCH, & OTHERS INVITE GOVERNOR MIKE PENCE, PUBLIC TO MEET WITH SYRIAN REFUGEE FAMILIES IN INDIANAPOLIS

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CONTACT:

Lina al-Midani

DECEMBER 08, 2015

(317)

464-3101

INDIANAPOLIS, IN -

The Indiana chapter of the Syrian American Council along with the Epworth United Methodist Church is hosting an event for the public and the Governor to meet Syrian refugee families in Indiana. The event will be held on Friday, December 11 at 6:30 PM at 6450 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis, Indiana in partnership with the Catholic Charities, Exodus, Al Huda Mosque, ISNA, and other organizations.

We invite Governor Mike Pence and the general public to come and get to know

your new neighbors.

We hope that by meeting these families Governor Pence will reconsider his position

that Syrian refugees are unwelcome in Indiana.

We invite local media to cover the press conference and to contact Lina al-Midani

at [\(317\) 464-3101](tel:(317)464-3101)
for any media inquiries.

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That's great Shelley

Looks like that gal didn't even file anything on the refugee topic

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On Dec 4, 2015, at 6:15 PM, "Triol, Shelley" <STriol@gov.IN.gov> wrote:

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