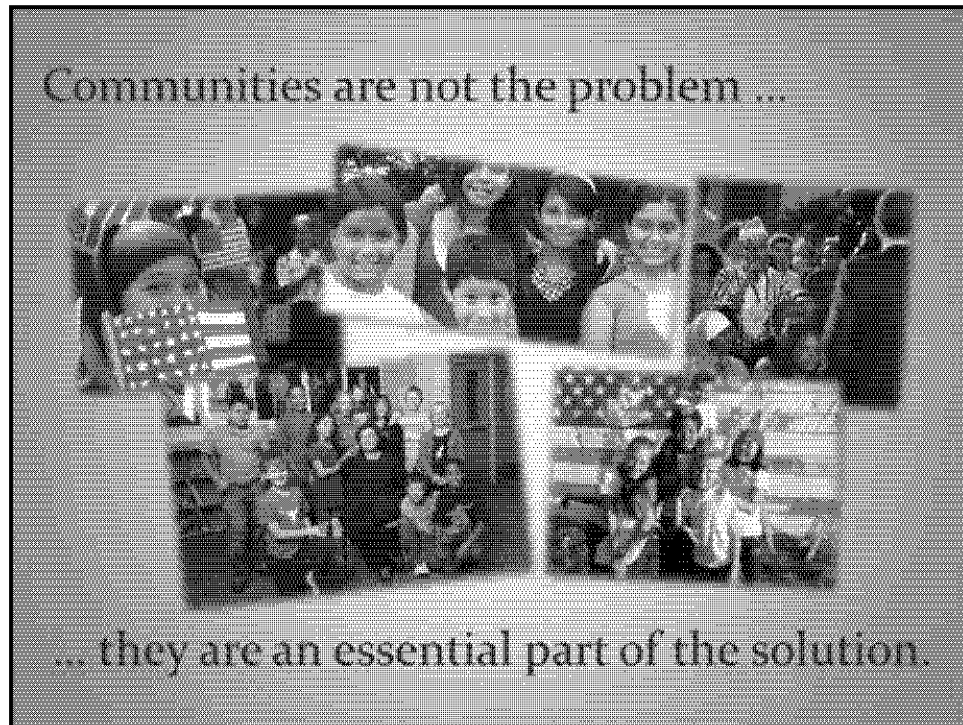






We face a wide range of violent extremist threats ...

- Right-wing Violent Extremists
- Left-wing Revolutionaries
- Eco-terrorists
- Neo-Nazi and Racist-based Groups
- Other Extremist Groups



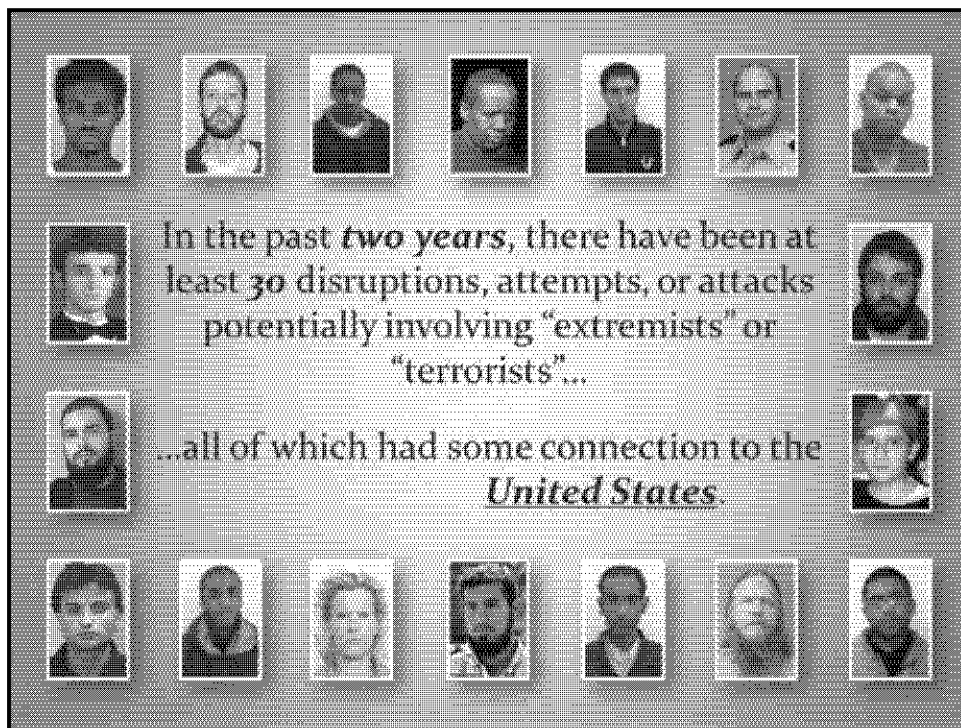
This brief focuses on the threat of
Al-Qa'ida and Allied Groups (AQAG)

Presentation Goals

Share information on the threat of terrorist recruitment in the U.S.

Garner the perspectives and insights of community members.

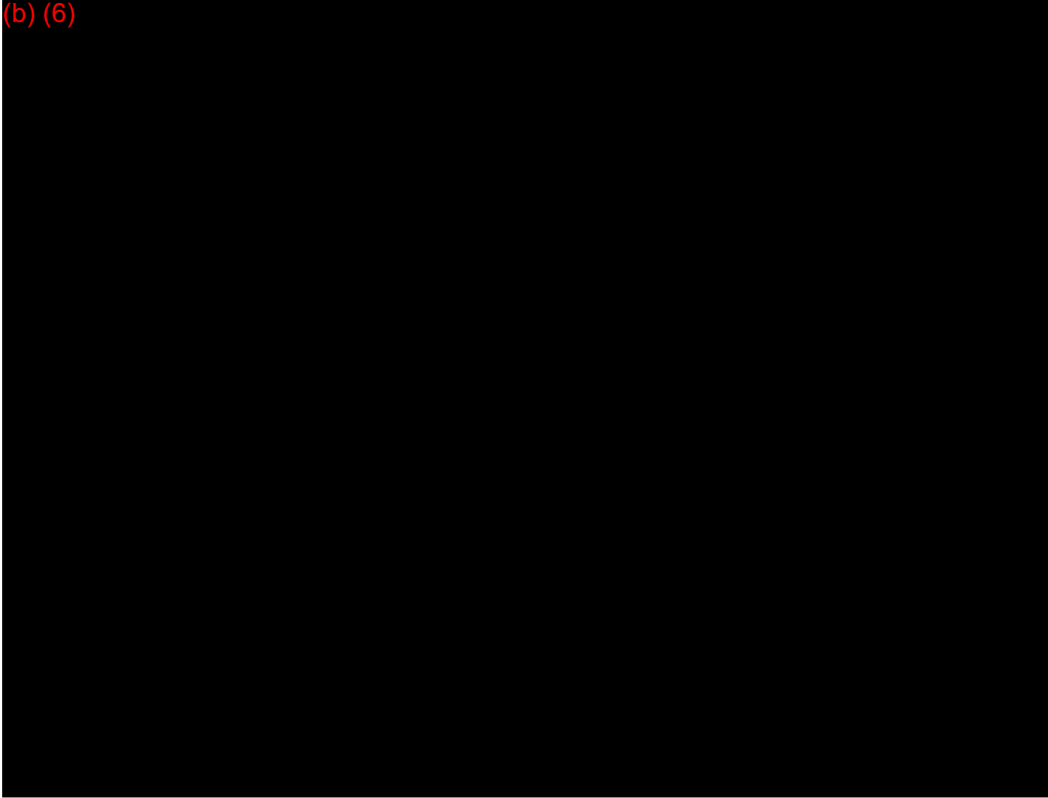
Foster discussion on ways we can work – together and independently – to protect youth and at-risk individuals from extremist radicalization efforts.



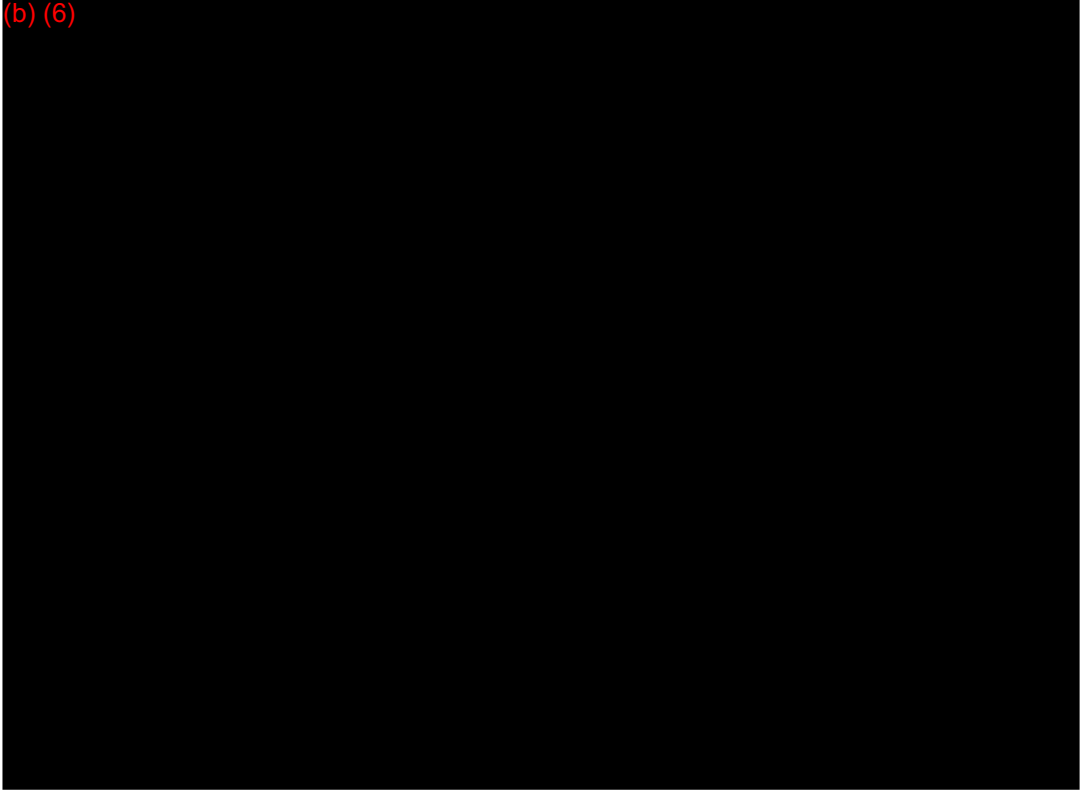
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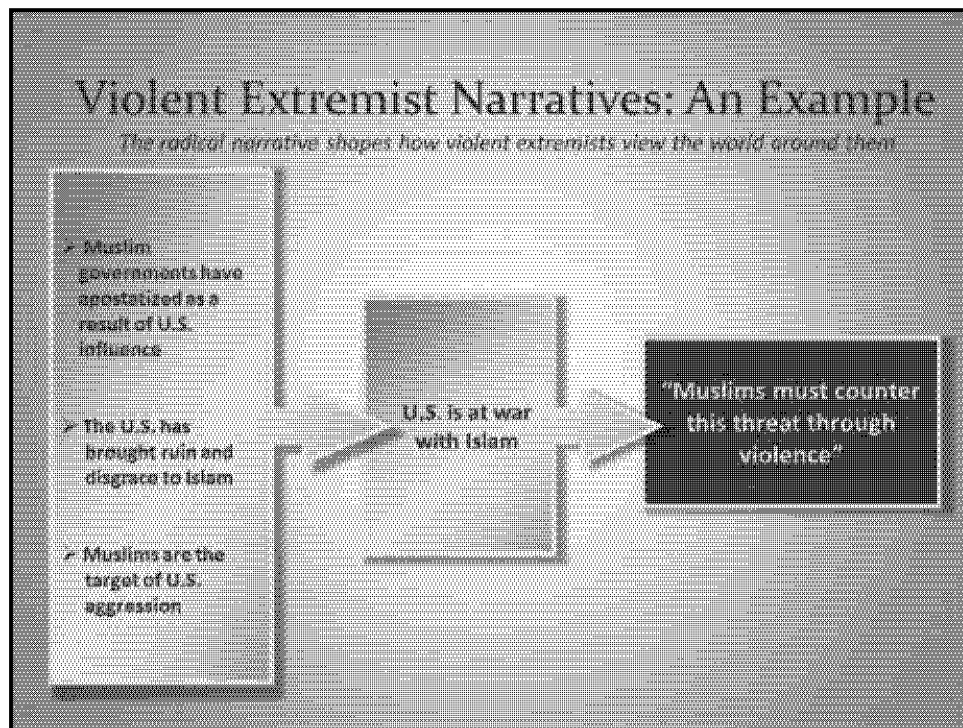


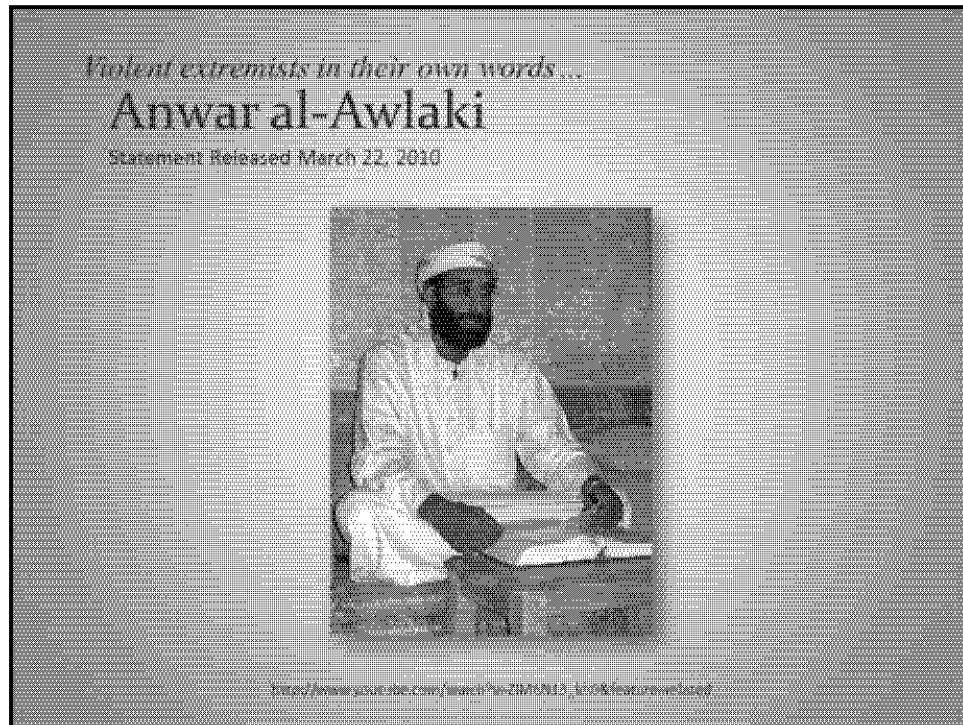
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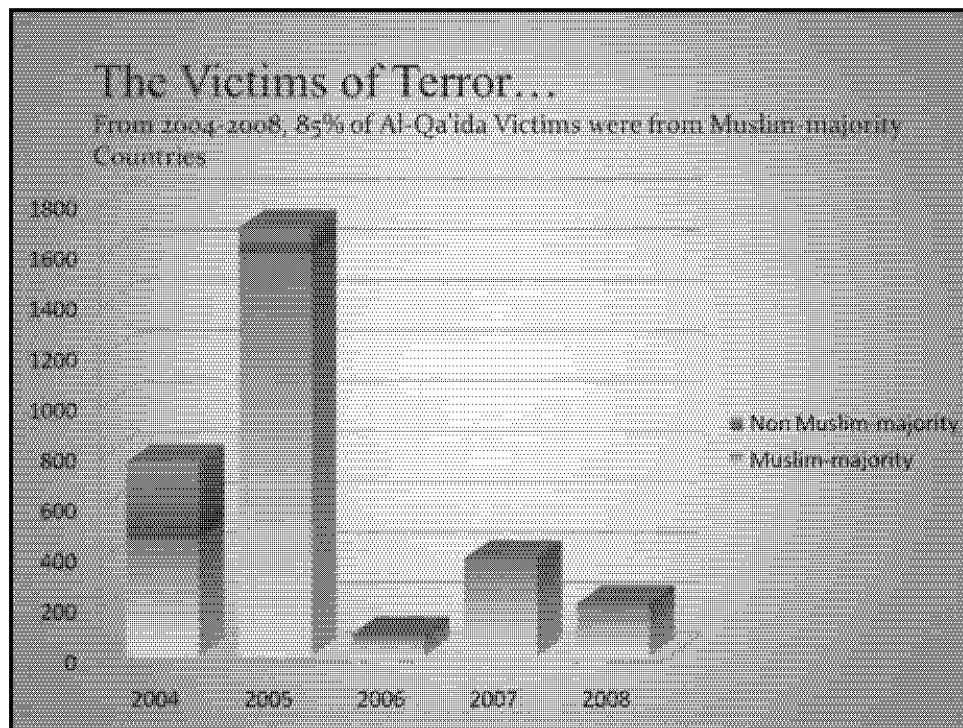


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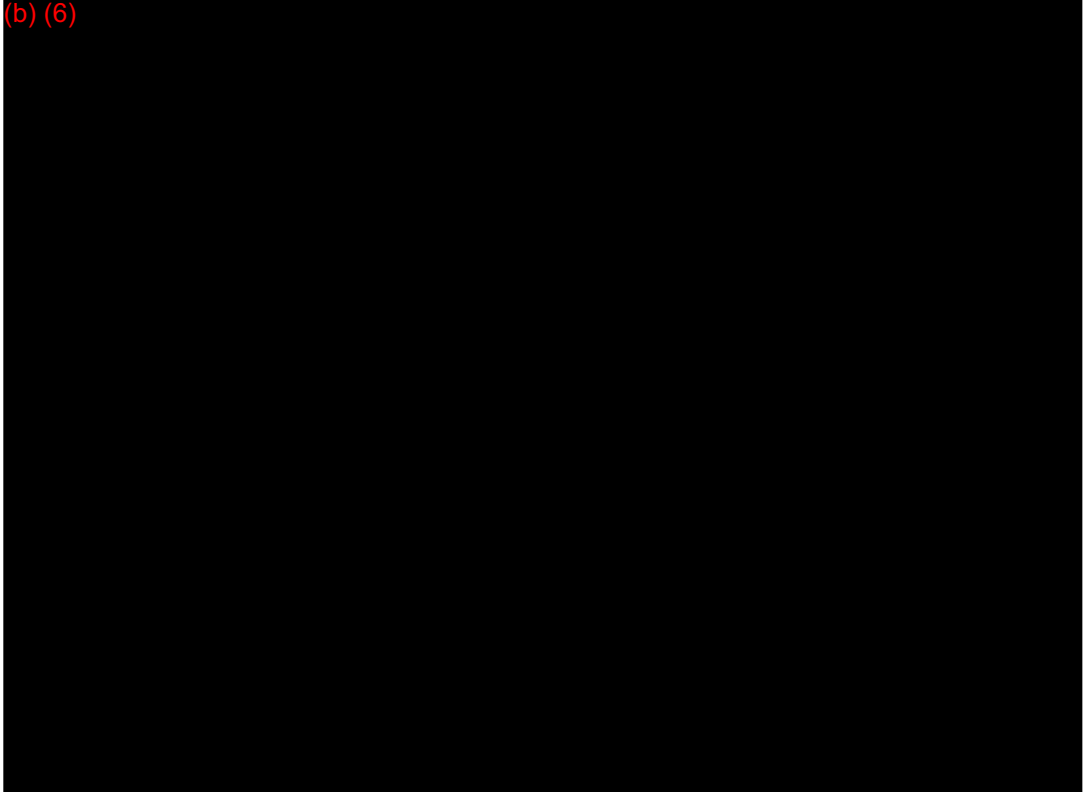






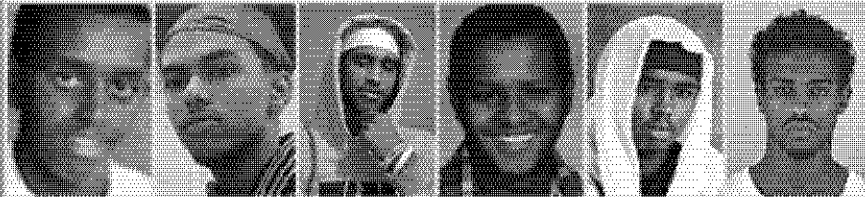


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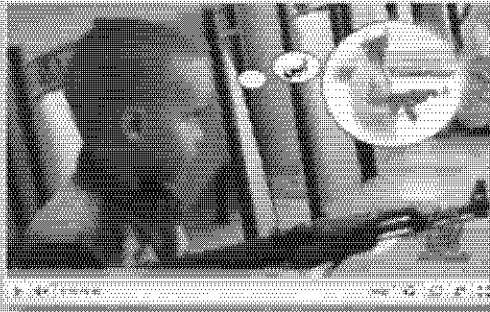


The Reality of Al-Shabaab

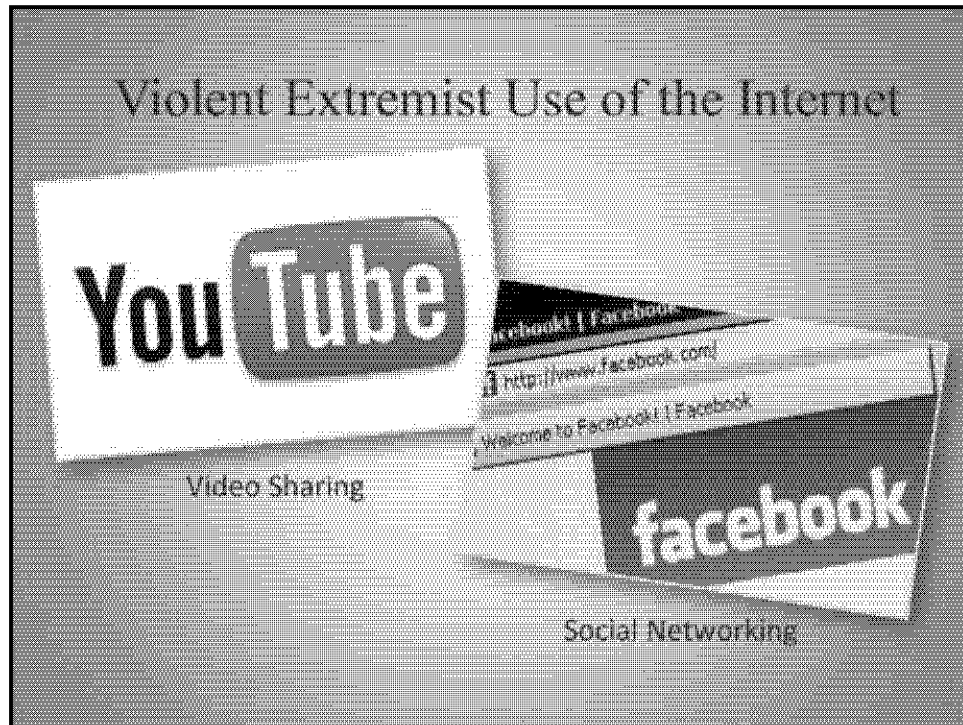
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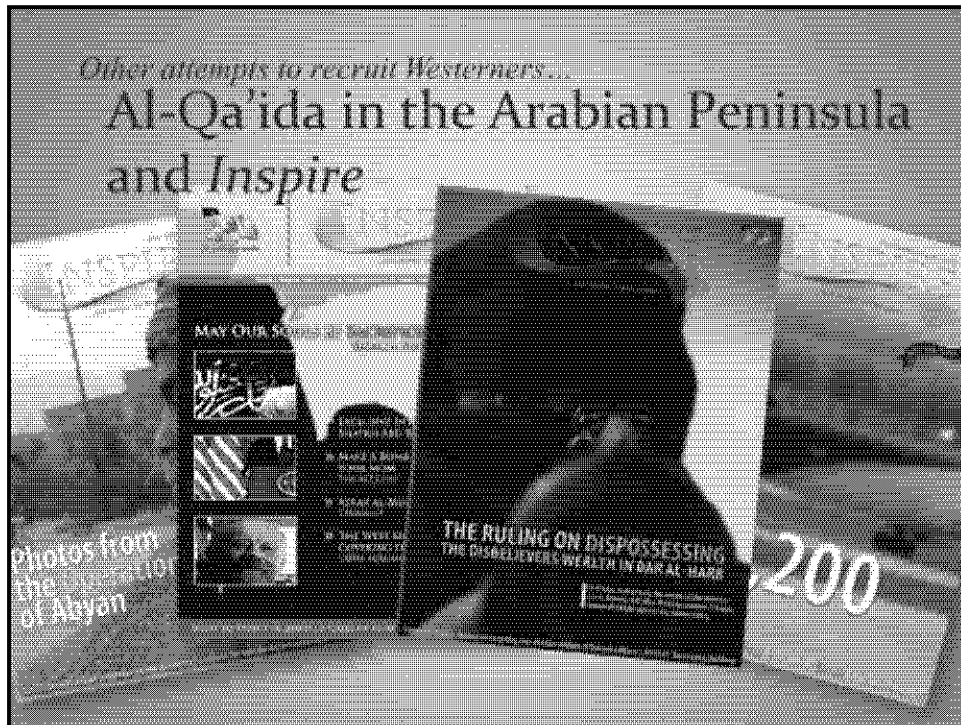


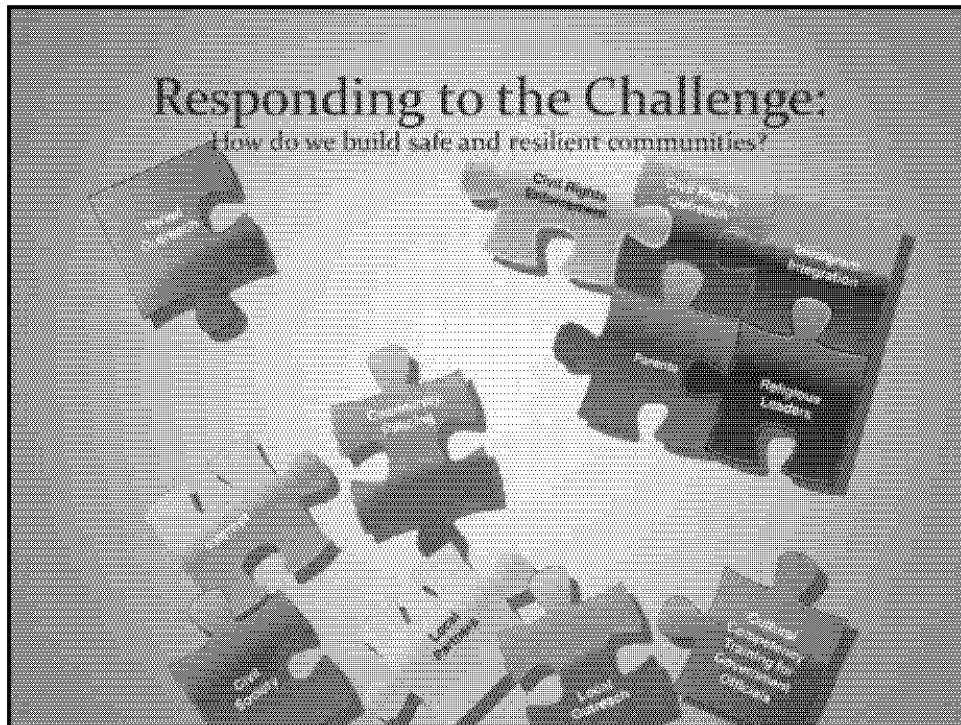
Violent Extremist Use of the Internet

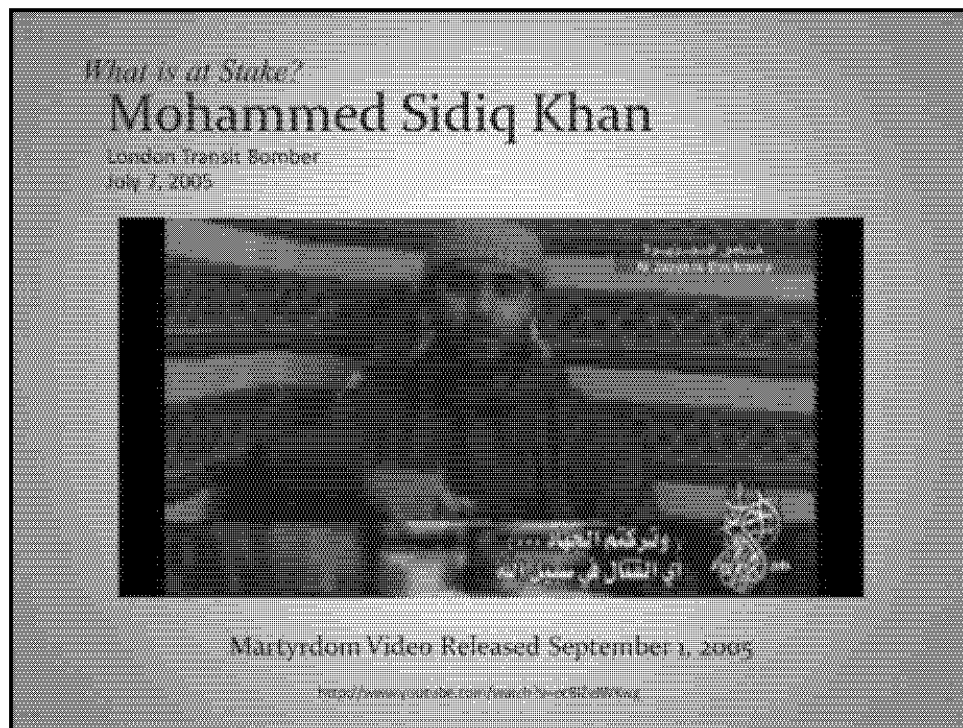


Recent events demonstrate how violent extremists increasingly prefer the *Internet*, not only for communication, but also for recruitment.









Ongoing Community Actions



Muslim Storeowner in New York Helps Man Steer Away From Life of Crime



Muslim Students Bring Food, Conversation to Florida



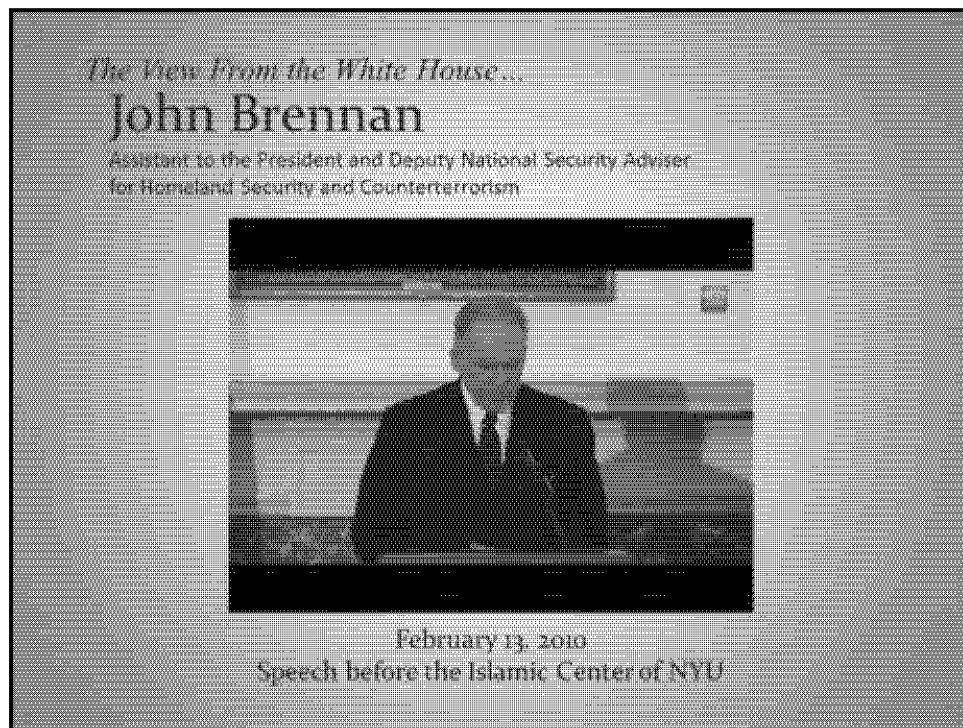
Muslim Leader Forges Interfaith Accord



U.S. Muslims Issue Fatwa Against Terrorism



New Video Features 9 Prominent Muslim American Scholars Speaking Out Against Violence in the Name of Islam





Possible Community Actions

- Remain active members of American civil society.
- Channel energy resulting from frustrations and grievances into positive action.
- Create a curriculum highlighting the dangers of violent extremism and terrorist recruitment.
- Talk to your children frankly about the positive and negative influences on the internet.
- Go online and challenge violent narratives.



...But the best ideas will come from communities...

