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PRESS RELEASE

ANOTHER AHMADI MUSLIM KILLED IN PAKISTAN

It is with great sadness that the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat confirms that on 29 February 2012, a well-known and respected Ahmadi lawyer, Mr Chaudhry Muhammad Akram (80), was martyred in Nawab Shah, Sindh after a sectarian attack. His grandson, Muneeb Ahmad, was also left hospitalised and is in a critical condition.

At around 1pm on 29 February 2012, Mr Chaudhry Muhammad Akram was returning home from a shop owned by his son-in-law when two unknown assailants, on motorbikes, opened fire on him. He died soon after whilst on the way to the hospital. His grandson, Muneeb Ahmad, who was also fired upon, was taken to hospital in critical condition and has since undergone surgery but remains in a critical state.

Chaudhry Muhammad Akram is survived by his wife, five sons and two daughters. In 2005 he and his wife emigrated to Australia, but had returned to Pakistan in November 2011 to visit family. It was during this visit that he was martyred.

The deceased was a peace loving and caring person and did not have any personal disputes or enmities. Hence the clear motive for his cold-blooded murder was his religion and the fact that he was an Ahmadi Muslim. Ahmadi Muslims have regularly been targeted in Nawab Shah, indeed in July 2011, a prominent Ahmadi lawyer, Malik Mabroor Ahmad was also killed in the city.

The world Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat, Hadhrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, speaking from London, said:

“Chaudhry Muhammad Akram was a man holding great moral qualities. He served the Jamaat with great distinction for many years and he felt the pain of our community and held a very deep love for Khilafat. May Allah grant him an elevated status in heaven.”

Hadhrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad also prayed for the full recovery of Muneeb Ahmad, the grandson of the deceased.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat calls on the international community and media to highlight the continued persecution of minorities in Pakistan. If such hatred and sectarianism is allowed to continue then it is inevitable that further tragedies will occur.

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