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Press release issued by the Irish Council of Imams on the crime of burning a copy of the Glorious Qur'an in Stockholm, Sweden

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Praise be to Allah and may Allah's peace, blessings, and mercy be upon the Prophet Muhammad, sent as a mercy to all that exists.

While European organizations and institutions representing Muslims were urging Muslims in Europe to abide by perpetual sincere work for the accomplishment of integration with various components of society and for active contribution to progress founded on cooperation, tolerance and understanding, an abrupt shock, represented in burning a copy of their revealed Holy Book the Glorious Quran perpetrated by an extremist within the hearing and the sight of the Swedish authorities, severely offended them. Such acts are deemed vile profanities by hundreds of Millions of Muslims all over the world and tens of millions of Muslims in Europe.

The ICI, while vehemently condemns, deplores and abhors such a very vile act offending all Muslims and impacting negatively on the spirit of tolerance, cooperation and harmony in societies, appeal to the European Organizations and fair-minded intellectuals to assume a serious attitude against such a repeated violation of human rights. At the same time, the ICI appeal to Muslims in Europe to adhere to peaceful legal tools and wisdom when defending their sanctities and to shun every action classified as violent or illegal.

We pray to Allah to grant success to all in relation to what pleases Him.

Praise be to our Lord.

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