

# Exhibit 3

## **An Open Letter from 100+ Jewish Clergy in Washington, DC; Maryland; and Virginia Calling for the Release of Dr. Badar Khan Suri**

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We write as Jewish clergy in Washington, DC; Maryland; and Virginia in response to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) detention of Dr. Badar Khan Suri, a postdoctoral fellow at Georgetown University. On March 17, Dr. Khan Suri was taken from his home in Arlington, VA by masked DHS agents, upon his return home from a Ramadan celebration.

We write with grief, fear, and anger at the injustice of Dr. Khan Suri's detention, the mass detention and deportation immigration policies of the Trump administration more broadly, and their profound implications for the civil liberties of all Americans. As leaders and residents of the region we are keenly aware of the effects that this administration's national policies are having on local residents. We are praying for Dr. Khan Suri's wellbeing and are sending care to his family and community.

As Jewish communal leaders, we are tasked with keeping our communities safe. We reject the false premise that the Trump administration's detainments and deportations of university students are being carried out for the purpose of Jewish safety. To claim as such is both disingenuous and dangerous. Doing so feeds antisemitic conspiracy theories by blaming Jews and pitting our needs against those of our neighbors. Targeting and detaining immigrant students, alongside the threatened cuts to university funding, are cynical attacks on higher education and civil rights, carried out under the pretext of protecting Jews.

We know that in reality, the safety of our Jewish communities here in the region and in the United States more broadly depends on constitutional democracy and minority protections. This includes the foundational first amendment right to free speech. We cannot let a difference in political opinion prevent us from speaking out for the basic civil and human rights that must be protected for each of us if they are to be protected for all of us. This anti-democratic assault on our Muslim, Arab, and immigrant neighbors will lead to every American, including Jewish Americans, being less safe.

As Jewish clergy and communal leaders, we draw strength and inspiration from our tradition, which teaches us *v'ahavta l'reacha kamocha*, we should love our neighbors as ourselves. This means we see our neighbors' safety and well being as inextricably linked to our own. Our love and care for both the safety of Jewish students on campus, and for the safety of all of our neighbors, leads us to call on the Trump administration to release Dr. Badar Khan Suri immediately.

Signed,

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