



Maryam al Sherroogi
Mary Coons

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Dear Ms. al Sherroogi and Ms. Coons,

Please allow us to express our appreciation for your fine work as speakers last week here at Anoka-Ramsey Community College. We take great pride in the accomplishments of our alumni, and enjoy any chance to share them with our students. To have you both on campus to discuss both Ms. Coons' excellent book and the larger issues of truth and perception between our communities was a powerful experience for all who attended. As you said, the future of relations between all sorts of groups and individuals depends on their ability to see each other without preconceived ideas and assumptions. The truth, in many ways, shall set us free.

We have profound gratitude to Ms. al Sherroogi for the long travel from Bahrain, for her ability to answer all types of questions about culture and faith, and for being an excellent representative for the Kingdom. Both of us attended a presentation months ago at which Ms. al Sherroogi was 'present' via Skype; to have her in the room made the experience superior in many ways. We as a college were quite fortunate to have her with us.

Please consider visiting with us again should schedules allow. The subject matter will be important for many years to come. If others are considering bringing you to their campus or organization, we would be glad to speak with them and offer a recommendation.

Best regards,

Marcellus Davis

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