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LAURIER EXPERT ALERT: Shooting at mosque in Quebec City and U.S. Executive Order on immigration

WATERLOO – The following Laurier experts are available to comment on security, tolerance and immigration issues following President Trump’s executive order on immigration and, separately, a shooting at a mosque in Quebec City over the weekend:

Jasmin Zine, professor in the Department of Sociology, is an expert in Islamophobia; religious extremism; racism; race and education and securitization; Canadian Muslim studies; Muslim youth and identity post 9/11; and Muslim women’s studies. Her current research is on Muslim youth and Islamophobia in Canada. Contact information: jzine@wlu.ca.

Jenna Hennebry, director of the International Migration Research Centre (IMRC) located at the Balsillie School of International Affairs and associate professor in Laurier’s Department of Communication Studies and School of International Policy and Governance, is an expert in international migration policies and trends. Her research projects have focused on migrant rights, health and social protection, gender and migration, the role of non-state actors in migration governance, remittances and development, transnationalism, securitization and media representation. Contact information: jhennebry@wlu.ca.

Alison Mountz, professor in Laurier’s Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, and Canada Research Chair in Global Migration, is an expert in migration and refugees studies, asylum and detention; and border studies and border enforcement. Contact information: amountz@wlu.ca.

Bree Akesson, assistant professor in Laurier’s Faculty of Social Work and faculty member in Laurier’s Social Justice and Community Engagement graduate program, is an expert in international child protection; psychological effects of war and disaster on children and families; and global social work practice and social service workforce development. She is leading two research projects with families displaced by the war in Syria. Contact information: bakesson@wlu.ca.

Gavin Brockett, associate professor in Laurier’s Department of History and Department of Religion and Culture, and co-coordinator of Laurier’s Muslim Studies Option, is an expert in “international Islam” as a global phenomenon after 1945. Contact information: gbrockett@wlu.ca.

Margaret Walton-Roberts, professor in Laurier’s Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, associate dean of the School of International Policy and Governance, and associate director of the IMRC, is an expert in international immigration, gender and diaspora. Contact information: mwaltonroberts@wlu.ca.

Kim Rygiel, associate professor in Laurier’s Department of Political Science and School of International Policy and Governance, is an expert in citizenship politics, migration and asylum, and border security. She is researching humanitarian aid, citizenship politics and the governance of Syrian refugees in Turkey; and, cultural pluralism through citizenship politics. Contact information: krygiel@wlu.ca.