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***In the name of Allah, the Most Kind, the Most Merciful***

## **News and Events**

### **The World Federation attends Gaza briefing with Secretary of State**

The World Federation, along with a number of other leading Muslim organisations, was invited to a briefing on the crisis in Gaza with Secretary of State David Milliband. Shaykh Abbas Ismail represented The World Federation and reiterated the community's disappointment to the meagre 3 hour corridor for foreign aid envoys and the destruction of basic infrastructure including schools and mosques and called for the government to address basic humanitarian issues with urgency.

### **Chaplaincy Awareness Event**

As part of its Islamic Education objectives for the term 2006-2009, The World Federation is pleased to announce a seminar at Dar al Tableegh. The aim of the seminar is to help advance the excellent work of chaplaincy within our community by providing appropriate information from sector experts.

### **Khums Made Simple**

"Khums" literally means "one-fifth or 20%". In Islamic legal terminology, it means "one-fifth of certain items which a person acquires as wealth, and which must be paid as an Islamic tax".

### **KAUST Discovery Scholarship**

The KAUST Discovery Scholarship is the general scholarship program of King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST). King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) is being built in Saudi Arabia as an international, graduate-level research university dedicated to inspiring a new age of scientific achievement in the Kingdom that will also benefit the region and the world.

### **Muharram 1430: Juloos Carried in Moshi**

For the first year, Bilal Muslim Mission - Moshi Branch, commemorated the martyrdom of Imam Hussein by taking out Juloos on the streets of Moshi Town.

### **Muharram 1430: Majlis and Azadari – South Africa**

This year Muharram Ashra has been commemorated far and wide in the whole of South Africa and many neighboring countries. There has been a steady increase in the number of centres across South Africa, with about 17 centres currently open to mumineen.

### **Muharram 1430: Muharram and Kerbala Website – Toronto, Canada**

A website covering Muharram 1430 in Toronto can be found at [www.muhammadkara.com](http://www.muhammadkara.com). The site includes a blog recapping each nightly lecture of Sayed Ammar Nakshawani, as well as a two-part video interview with the Sayed.

### **Ebrahim Haji Charitable Health Centre Booth Receives Award – Tanzania**

Munir Dato, ASG of Health would like to congratulate the Ebrahim Haji Charitable Health Centre Booth for their award for the 1<sup>st</sup> best Booth at JIBA Tanzania Trade Fair – 2008.

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