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## The NSA revelations continue to shock

*A year after the first Snowden revelation, the Intercept unveils perhaps the most damaging leak yet*

**Washington, D.C.** - This week, Glenn Greenwald and Murtaza Hussain, writing at the Intercept, revealed that the FBI and NSA have been spying on prominent Muslim-American leaders, ranging from leading academics to a staffer at the Department of Homeland Security to the president of the Council on American-Islamic Relations.

**“Today’s revelation shows once again the NSA acting with impunity, targeting community leaders in the absence of any accountability or semblance of due process. Targets of surveillance must be notified in order to provide an opportunity to challenge unlawful programs & keep government officials honest,”** said Access Senior Policy Counsel Amie Stepanovich .

Today’s news makes it all the more apparent that world has yet to discover the full scope of the U.S. government’s mass spying programs.

**“The secret targeting of community leaders is the very definition of unchecked and unaccountable surveillance. This practice is nearly as old at the United States itself, and today’s revelation shows the NSA’s reach into our lives has reached new extremes in the digital age,”** said Access Advocacy Director Josh Levy.

[Access](#) will continue to work with our partners around the world to protect the privacy of internet users and push to reform indiscriminate mass surveillance laws globally.

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