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**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2018 3:08 PM  
**To:** Tyrone.Thompson@asm.state.nv.us  
**Cc:** J.Martin  
**Subject:** Gulen Network of Schools in Nevada

Dear Assemblyman Thompson,

I am reaching out on behalf of Amsterdam & Partners LLP regarding recent troubling discoveries in Nevada Charter Schools. Ashley Garza from Speaker Frierson's office directed us to you regarding this issue.

In Nevada, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in Nevada. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gülen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com)

**Key Charter School Network Findings:**

- Misuse of taxpayer funds totaling at least \$243 million.
- More than 6,504 H-1B visas to import unqualified Turkish teachers at a public cost of as much as \$26 million and lost jobs for American teachers.
- Nearly 81,000 students enrolled at Gülen schools across 27 states and the District of Columbia.
- Widespread manipulation of state mandated testing, grades and attendance figures.

Nevada has 8 schools (Coral Academy of Science) with 2,733 students with a total of \$19,543,637 in revenue with 15 H-1B employees.

Please see the Nevada specific fact sheet [HERE](#), and the Nevada Chapter [HERE](#).

I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in Nevada on these Gulen Schools and want to ensure you're fully aware and you and your staff have the opportunity to be briefed on this issue.

**MEETING REQUEST:** Would you be available for a call and/or in person meeting with John Martin, an attorney with Amsterdam and Partners, to discuss this pressing issue further? We can make ourselves available whenever your schedule permits.

We also welcome any questions. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,

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**From:** J.Martin [<mailto:J.Martin@amsterdandpartners.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2018 1:14 PM  
**To:** AttorneyGeneral <[AttorneyGeneral@doj.ca.gov](mailto:AttorneyGeneral@doj.ca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Gulen Network of Schools

Dear Attorney General Becerra,

My name is John Martin, and I am an attorney with the law firm Amsterdam & Partners LLP. I wanted to reach out to you regarding recent troubling discoveries in California Charter Schools.

In California, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in California. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gulen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com).

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California has 11 schools (Magnolia Science Academy & Bay Area Science Academy) with 3,714 number of students with a total of \$50,708,614 in revenue with 457 H-1B employees.

Please see the California specific fact sheet [HERE](#), and the California Chapter [HERE](#).

I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in California on these Gulen Schools and want to ensure you're fully aware and you and your staff have the opportunity to be briefed on this issue.

**MEETING REQUEST:** Would you be available for a call and/or in person meeting to discuss this pressing issue further? We can make ourselves available whenever your schedule permits.

We also welcome any questions. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

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**From:** Kate Larson <k.larson@amsterdandpartners.com>  
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**To:** danny.kelley@iga.in.gov.  
**Cc:** J.Martin  
**Subject:** Gulen Network of Schools - meeting request

Dear Mr. Kelley,

I am following up on behalf of Amsterdam & Partners regarding a voicemail we received in which you expressed interest in having a discussion related to charter schools in Indiana and an exiled imam. Thank you for reaching out to us, as we have information that we believe you would find valuable and troubling.

In Indiana, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in Indiana. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gulen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com)

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Indiana has 3 schools (Indiana Math and Science Academy) with 1,476 students with a total of \$14,419,490 in revenue with 83 H-1B employees.

Please see the Indiana specific fact sheet [HERE](#), and the Indiana chapter [HERE](#).

I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in Indiana on these Gulen Schools would love the opportunity to brief you on the issue.

**MEETING REQUEST:** Would you be available for a call and/or in person meeting with John Martin, an attorney with Amsterdam and Partners, to discuss this pressing issue further? We can make ourselves available whenever your schedule permits.

We also welcome any questions. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

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