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## Constituent Spotlight: Abu Naser Khaliquzzaman

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Abu Naser Khaliquzzaman, a native of Bangladesh, is the President of World Trade Promotion Center, Inc., a Brooklyn based producer and distributor of American Food and Agriculture commodities. The company markets their products under the New Market Foods, American Halal, American Grain Products and Soya America brands.

Known to his friends as Zaman, Mr. Khaliquzzaman and his family migrated to the United States in 1997. Zaman earned a B.S. and M.S. in Pharmacy, and he is married to Saiveda Akhter (also holds a B.S. and M.S. in Pharmacy), and they have one child, Istiak Zaman, a 9th grade National Honor student.

Mr. Khaliquzzaman is a community leader in his Brooklyn neighborhood, where he serves as a Board Member for the Dahil Neighborhood Association, District 12, Brooklyn. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Mid-Atlantic Soybean Association, and was elected President of the Parent Teacher Association of I.S. 220 from 2007 thru 2009.

In 2001, his export company, World Trade Promotion Center, sponsored a series of non-partisan community programs in advance of the 2001 national election in Bangladesh. The programs focused on strengthening the future of Bangladesh, encouraged women to vote and become more active in the democratic process, and emphasized how a stable Bangladesh would bring foreign investment and improve opportunities.

In response to the 9/11 attacks, Zaman called a press conference to condemn the human tragedy and explained to the people of Bangladesh how this act of terrorism destroy relations among the nations. He also sponsored a series of religious and civic events in Dhaka that stressed the need for unity among all people and condemned international terrorism. This was the first time that such an assembly of clergy was present together on

one dais in Bangladesh.

In our post-9/11 society, Zaman continues to strive to facilitate better understanding between the United States and the rest of the Muslim World.