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South Asians for Biden Stands in Solidarity with the African American Community

South Asians for Biden issued the following statement in response to the recent senseless deaths of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, and Breonna Taylor:

“South Asians for Biden stands in strong solidarity with the African American community and demands justice for George Floyd and his family,” said Neha Dewan, National Director of South Asians for Biden.

“Communities of color-- and black men and women in particular-- experience systemic and ingrained racism when interacting with law enforcement and our justice system, resulting in death, injury, trauma, and unwarranted incarceration. The disparity in treatment is plain for all to see, particularly when considering that just a few weeks ago, President Donald Trump recklessly encouraged his mostly white supporters to defy lawful public health orders, and is now characterizing peaceful protesters in the wake of George Floyd’s death as lawless.

“In the wake of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, and countless others who have fallen victim to injustice, it is clear that we need a leader who can unite the country, now more than ever. Yesterday, while President Trump hid in his bunker instead of addressing our country, Vice President Biden met with protesters and urged the country to unite behind an agenda for racial and social justice. The contrast could not be clearer.

While voting for new leadership in November is imperative, we can and must do more as a community to fight against all forms of hatred, prejudice, and social, racial, and economic inequities when we see it. To bring real change, we must speak up. Silence is violence,” added Dewan.

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