Forum on Ethnic Groups from the Middle East and North Africa

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Welcome and Introductions

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Agenda for Today’s Forum

Session A: Testing a Middle Eastern or North African Category on the 2015 National Content Test

Session B: The Term “Middle Eastern or North African”

Session C: Census Bureau’s Working Classification of Middle Eastern or North African for the 2015 National Content Test

Session D: Potential Data Products Featuring Middle Eastern and North African Data

Session E: Wrap-Up and Next Steps

Opening Remarks

Karen Humes
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Brief History of the Support for the Middle Eastern or North African Category

Perspective from Helen Samhan
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