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Dear IMANA Members and JIMA Readers:

This issue of JIMA is devoted to the proceedings of IMANA/Hofstra Ethics conference held in Long Island, New York, September 17-18, 2010. I believe it covers a lot of information that is useful and interesting.

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Wassalaam,

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