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KASHMIRI PANDITS BRIEFING

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Mr. KHANNA. Madam Speaker, I was moved by the stories of loss, displacement, and suffering of the Kashmiri Pandits at a briefing hosted by my dear friend and mentor, Congresswoman ANNA ESHOO. I appreciated the Pandits coming to Capitol Hill to tell their stories. I want to recognize and thank Jeevan Zutshi, my constituent, for his leadership in organizing this forum. I was encouraged to see other key leaders of Congress attend like ZOE LOFGREN, ELIOT ENGEL, and MIKE THOMPSON. As we consider the complexities of South Asia, we need to make sure that all Kashmiri stories of loss are heard and recognized, and be sure to stand up for human rights of all faiths. India was founded on the promise of a pluralistic society, and Madam Speaker, it's now more important than ever to stand up for those ideals.