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Early this morning during practice for the annual Congressional Baseball game for Charity, House Majority Whip, Steve Scalise, was shot in the hip by James T. Hodgkinson. Reports show a barrage of bullets rang out and several hit others, before the shooter was quickly taken into custody by Capitol Police. Hodgkinson later succumbed to his wounds from the shootout with Police.

WNY Muslims' hearts and prayers go out to Scalise, his family and all other victims of this tragedy. No matter what side of the aisle you're on, no one deserves this nor does any family deserve this phone call. We wish Majority Whip Steve Scalise a speedy recovery from his surgery and to thank him and the other Congressmen for risking his life for such a charitable event.

WNY Muslims condemns these acts of terror, and thanks first responders for showing impeccable courage in the face of danger. These brave men and women run into a hail of gun fire while others flood out, thank you for your service.

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