Sequence of Events, reported by the New York Times, February 9, 2006

**Tracking the Protests**

**SEPTEMBER 2005**
- Cartoons published.
- Danish prime minister declines to meet Muslim ambassadors.

**OCTOBER**
- Oct. 21 Mr. Fogh Rasmussen declines to meet with the ambassadors.
- Oct. 27 A coalition of 11 Danish Muslim groups files a criminal complaint against Jyllands-Posten.

**NOVEMBER**
- Jan. 10 A Christian newspaper in Norway, Magazinet, reprints the cartoons, citing press freedom.
- Jan. 26 Saudi Arabia withdraws its ambassador and initiates a boycott of Danish goods.
- Jan. 29 Palestinians burn Danish flags, and Libya says it will close its embassy in Denmark.
- Jan. 30 Jyllands-Posten says on its Web page that it regrets offending Muslims and apologizes but stands by its decision to print the cartoons.

**DECEMBER 2005-JANUARY 2006**
- The Danish Muslim group visits the Middle East to publicize the issue.
- Jan. 7 A Copenhagen prosecutor decides not to press charges against Jyllands-Posten.

**FEBRUARY**
- Violent protests in Muslim countries; embassies are attacked.
- Muslim youths burn the Danish flag on Feb. 3 in the West Bank.
- Feb. 4 A South African court prohibits publication of the cartoons. Protesters in Syria attack four embassies. Editors of another Jordanian weekly that published the cartoons are arrested and charged with insulting religion.
- Feb. 5 Protesters in Beirut, Lebanon, set fire to the Danish Embassy. Iran removes its ambassador to Denmark.
- Feb. 6 At least five people are killed in protests in Afghanistan.
- Feb. 7 At least three more people are killed in Afghanistan. Protesters in Iran attack the Danish Embassy.
- Feb. 8 Three more people are killed at protests in Afghanistan.

Jan. 31 The Danish Muslim group demands a clearer apology.

**Late January-early February**
- News media in at least 14 countries reprint the cartoons.
- Feb. 2 The weekly Jordanian newspaper Asharq al-Awsat publishes the cartoons with an editorial. The writer is fired, and the publisher withdraws the issue.
- Feb. 3 The International Association of Muslim Scholars calls for a "day of anger." In Gaza, 50,000 people demonstrate. Protesters in London call for execution of those who insult Islam.