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How can we prepare every single day, with a clear conscience, nice food for our children, dress them clean and well and bring them calmly and lovingly to bed, **BUT watch IDLY** as about 1.8 million children of the Ummah in Yemen are malnourished and mercilessly annihilated? How can we be happy that our children are growing and thriving, when an estimated 500,000 children in Yemen may not see their next birthday as a result of the today's war against Islam.

The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said

#### «مَتَلُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ فِي تَوَادِهِمْ، وَتَرَاحُمِهمْ، وَتَعَاطُفِهمْ مَتَلُ الْجَسَدِ إِذَا السُّتَكَى مِنْهُ عُضْقٌ تَدَاعَى لَهُ سَائِرُ الْجَسَدِ بالسَّهَرِ وَالْحُمَّى»

"The parable of the believers in their affection, mercy, and compassion for each other is that of a body. When any limb aches, the whole body reacts with sleeplessness and fever." (Sahih al Bukhari)

Does it not hurt us that the Muslim Ummah is in such a terrible situation today? Do we not have soft hearts that feel the horrible pain of our Muslim brothers, sisters and children? Has the treacherous Dunya blinded us so much that we are lost in our own lives and in our own little problems, forgetting that the Ummah is struggling right now to survive and that an innocent little Muslim child is dreams just about a single piece of Bread. Truly, if we turn away our heads to this crime then there is nothing good in our hearts!

The Prophet (saw) said:

#### «إِنَّ فِي الْجَسَدِ مُضْعَةً إِذَا صَلَّحَتْ صَلَّحَ الْجَسَدُ كُلُّهُ، وَإِذَا فَسَدَتْ فَسَدَ الْجَسَدُ أَلَا وَهِيَ الْقَلْبُ»

"There is in the body a clump of flesh - if it becomes good, the whole body becomes good. If it becomes bad, the whole body becomes bad." And indeed it is the heart." (Sahih al Bukhari)

Sensations for the Ummah are important emotions. Information about the situation of the Ummah is an essential knowledge. But emotions and knowledge alone are not enough to take the pain from the Ummah. **They are a start and a basis that only becomes complete when we put our feelings and thoughts into action!** 

#### «اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ عِلْمٍ لَا يَنْفَعُ، وَمِنْ قَلْبٍ لَا يَخْشَعُ، وَمِنْ نَفْسٍ لَا تَشْبَعُ، وَمِنْ دَعْوَةٍ لَا يُسْتَجَابُ لَهَا»

"O Allah, I seek refuge in You from knowledge which does not benefit, from a heart that does not entertain the fear (of Allah), from a soul that is not satisfied and the supplication that is not answered." (Sahih Muslim)

We see it clearly that the enemies of Islam will never help the Ummah and bring them piece. They will cause more discord between them and exploit them and their countries to realize their own evil plans.

It is equally clear that only a change of world power, that only the Caliphate (Khilafah) upon the method of the Prophethood is able to change the situation of Muslims. Because only a leader who fears Allah (swt), is careful not to let his Ummah starve and to protect them against any violence.

#### Why do many people still believe that America or its Versailles are interested in helping the Muslims???

Because it is the easier way, which is deceiving the Muslims and let their hearts beat not for Allah swt but for this Dunya. It is a way which motivate the Muslims to ignore the fact that today's world power is the biggest enemy of Islam. It is finally the path that splits the Ummah, hardens their hearts and blinds them.

#### **Dear Brothers and Sisters!**

So it is in our hands which way we choose! Whether we are Muslims who take the enemies of Islam as their friends, Whether we are Muslims who care only about their own worldly affairs, whether we are Muslims who reassure their conscience with a little donation or whether we are Muslims which endeavor day and night for the true salvation of the Ummah, namely the work of reestablishing the Caliphate upon the Method of the Prophethood.

#### يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن تَنصُرُوا اللَّهَ يَنصُرُكُمْ وَيُثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَكُمْ

"O you who have believed, if you support Allah, He will support you and plant firmly your feet." [47:7]

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# Rabiul-Awwal: The Month of Unraveling Between Justice and Invalid



The Muslim Ummah across the globe is busy in celebration of the birth of our Master and Beloved Muhammad ibn Abdullah (saw). It is a month in which the Muslim Ummah globally is filled with happiness and energy. Every member of this noble Ummah is ever concerned by this auspicious event that is a strong foundation of its awakening. Since (saw) was the last Prophet to be sent to the world.

#### رَّسُولَ ٱللَّهِ وَخَاتَمَ ٱلنَّبِيِّنَ

"(Muhammad) is the messenger of Allah and the Seal of the Prophets." [Al-Ahzaab: 40]

And his message was to all humankind in the world contrary to the previous prophets:

#### وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لِّلْعَلَمِينَ

"And We have not sent you (Muhammad), except as a mercy to the worlds." [Al-Anbiyaa: 107]

And indeed his coming is Light that shines on the world and the book he was given unravels between Justice and Invalid:

#### قَدْ جَآءَكُم مِّنَ ٱللَهِ نُورُ وَكِتَبُ مُبِينٌ

"There has come to you from Allah a light (Muhammad) and a clear Book (Qur'an)." [Al-Maaida: 15] Unfortunately, this Month is with us; but as Muslims, we are in a deplorable situation that has engulfed us from every corner. This situation is as a result of this noble Muslim Ummah distancing herself from the teachings of the Light (Muhammad) and the Book (Qur'an). Instead, it has surrendered and being ruled by the invalid secular capitalist ideology that is from the western colonial states. These western states are the ones that spread the venom via their secular (ilmaniyah) creed (separating religion from life). This creed is the root-cause that led some of the members of this noble Muslim Ummah to be infatuated by it and caused them to work in partnership with western leaders in Stabbing a Dagger on the Mother of all Obligations in Islam -the Khilafah. Then they destroyed and divided it in pieces and given out as spoils to the fools led by their highest Mustafa Kamal who was given Turkey which was the headquarter of the Khilafah before its destruction. Then followed by Sharrif Hussein and his sons who were given Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Jordan etc.

The destruction of the Islamic State of Khilafah is the root-cause of the atrocities on this noble Ummah who in terms of statistics is approaching 2 billion! Despite Muslims' lands having crucial resources that are



imperative to the running of the global economy for instance oil, gas, minerals etc.; still its members are languishing in abject poverty from Yemen, Somalia, Iraq etc. Its armies if were to be combined under One state then it will be the largest army globally with huge arsenals! If we take the resources, its armies and all the Muslims in the world under One State of Khilafah reestablished on the method of the Prophethood led by a virtuous Khalifah who rules by the Qur'an and Sunnah; no one will ever dare joke with Muslims and shed their blood as we witnessed today in Palestine, Somalia, China, Afghanistan, Kashmir, Syria etc. Indeed like the way the Prophet (saw) dealt with the tribe of Banu Qaynuqa who mistreated one Muslim woman and the entire tribe was chased out. In addition, the tribe of Banu Qurayza, which betrayed the Muslims and all their mature men, were killed! And other numerous examples under the virtuous Khulafaa from Abu Bakar (ra) to the last Khalifah Abdulhamid II; no one dared to point fingers to Muslims and their Islam.

However, today Islam does not rule and so there is no Muslims' shield to unite them under the command of one leader. Contrary everyone is left to their nationalistic border as drawn by the western colonialists and sunk in patriotic emotions to an extent that a Muslim who is in Tanzania/Pakistan/Libya/Syria views that from Kenya/ CAR/Afghanistan/Palestine as a stranger and who does not concern him/her; and his/her problems are his/hers! While this Ummah is One Ummah like One Body: **"The believers in their mutual kindness, compassion and sympathy are just like one body. When one of the limbs suffers, the whole body responds to it with wakefulness and fever."** [Bukhari and Muslim]

Therefore, we have no choice but to respond to the Call to Resume the Islamic Way of Life via the reestablishment of the Islamic State of Khilafah on the method of the Prophethood. Indeed, by working on this will lead a human being to realize the taste of life and tranquility of soul. It is through the reestablishment of the Khilafah that will ensure removal of atrocities and mistreatments that Muslims and non-Muslims pass through on the corrupt hands and policies of western colonialists emanating from their secular capitalist ideology and its destructive systems including that of democracy etc.

يَـَا يَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا ٱسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحَيِيكُم ۖ "O you who have believed, respond to Allah and to the Messenger when he calls you to that which gives you life." [Al-Anfaal: 24]

It is our duty as Muslims especially the leaders in the Ummah to take advantage of this season and inform the Muslims of them being orphans and the Obligation to Return the Khilafah in order to remove their state of being orphans! As for those with power amongst the armies of Sincere Muslim sons in Muslim countries like Pakistan, Egypt, Jordan etc. they should respond to this call and give Nusrah and expect Paradise for their recompense as it was promised to the Khaws and Khazraj (Ansar), and indeed their response will go in history like that of Sa'd ibn Mu'adh (ra) due to the huge role he played in giving Nusrah to Islam and Muslims and therefore: **"The Throne shook at the death of Sa'd ibn Mu'adh."** [Bukhari and Muslim]

In conclusion, everyone who is celebrating the birth of the Prophet (saw); should ask himself/herself "Is the Qur'an and Sunnah an ideology/guide to our lives in general (politically, socially, economically and educationally etc.)?" In addition, he/she must be truth in answering and be aware that he/she will be asked on the Day of Judgement before Allah "What role did you play when the Qur'an and Sunnah were NOT an ideology/ guide in life in general?" The time is now to join and work with those who are steadfast in carrying the highest of all Kheri (good) and that is Calling for the Return of the Khilafah on the Method of Prophethood. A team that do not lie to someone or distort a verse to realize interests or for fearing those who threaten! However, as days pass they are nearing the harbor by the blessings of Allah because it is only Him who gives victory to whoever He Wishes.

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# Russia is a Wolf covered in Sheep's Wool!

# Russian-African Social Forum

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On October 22, the first Russian-African Social Forum, organised jointly by the World Association of Foreign Alumni of Russian Universities and African Business Initiative Union, was held in Moscow. More than 500 people participated: prominent Russian and African political and public officials, representatives of academic circles, the business community, and representatives of student and youth organizations. The event provided a unique platform to exchange views on the current issues of relations between Russia and African countries, the current state of relations and the prospects for further development in the political, trade, economic, humanitarian and cultural fields, among others. (Eurasia Review, 30/10/2018)

The forum intensified the display of the 'circus' of capitalist education and the reality of educational 'sponsorship/scholarship'. The fact that majority participants were graduates from Russian Universities on different years from different countries, with no doubt that majority are from Africa, shows how the world education system is and the outcome of the education scholarships.

Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's said the following in his opening remarks at Russia-Africa Public Forum: **"Our country did not stain itself with the crimes of colonialism. On the contrary, it** helped, in every possible way, the peoples of the continent attain their freedom and sovereignty by providing comprehensive assistance and support in developing statehood and strengthening the economic independence of the African states. We are proud of our common achievements in political, economic, cultural and other spheres." (The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, 22/10/2018)

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The developed countries use the pretext of educational 'sponsorship' to culture them with thoughts and prepare the students to be their mouthpiece once they return back to their homelands in praising and boasting of sponsor countries in everything that belongs to them and persuade opening up doors for sponsor countries to 'invest' and build influence, then they (students) should they assume leadership become agents of their educational sponsors, willingly or unwillingly, because that is how their mentality was shaped. Therefore, those 'scholars' their first 'scholarly' thing to change in them is emulation of foreign cultures and undermining of their own, even though in principle theirs is better.

This culture emanating from the effects of educational scholarships contradict with the saying or objective of leaving Africans to solve their own problems. Since education is understood as a crucial element for man, but not this education of feeding students with foreign culture/civilization. Eventually scholars remain to be

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foreigners in their own environment and are not prepared for the sake of helping their communities to forge forward in all spheres of life.

As Lord Macaulay, the founder of western education strategies in India once said "We must at present do our best to form a class who may be interpreters between us and the millions whom we govern; a class of persons, Indian in blood and colour, but English in taste, in opinions, in morals, and in intellect." (Sunday Posts, 28 January, 2008)

As for Russia respecting human rights anchored on real democracy, that is a pure lie! Historically during the time of Communism, Russia is full of history of cruelty and murder of millions, suppression of religion, oppression and general exploitation of masses. In addition, today it is suppressing its opponents, interfering in neighboring countries like Ukraine, furthering brutal murder of women, the old and children in Syria not to mention the oppression and suppression experienced by the Islamic Da'wah carriers in its country including those from Hizb ut Tahrir who carry the enlightened thought and challenging the false democratic ideology via intellectual only.

As for African's development, this is a big problem today which is ideological; that builds and influences viewpoint and behavior of man and nation upon life. For now, Russia remains to be socialists theoretically only, but capitalists in their planning, strategies and practices. The problems, which face Africa, are the same problems that face all countries of the world, which are as a result of being ruled by the capitalist ideology.

How is the solution possible when Russia and other capitalist colonialist states are looting African resources like minerals, day and night, and then leaving behind holes?! Also, how is it possible for Africans to solve their problems for Africa when their scholars who are the basic hope with crucial elements of the efforts, are brainwashed by being prepared more theoretically, and to the advantage of the sponsors (Russia)?!

How is it possible to solve African problems when such problems and those of other young nations is capital and an opportunity for Russia's stability and capitalist countries at large?! Alas! The capitalist nations are not ready and will not be ready to see their 'colonies' get stable! They have left physically, but strategically are still colonizing. Leaders of African countries are their agents; intelligentsia are their mouthpieces and carry their oppressing agendas.

As for the Russian Foreign Minister's utterances that Our country did not stain itself with the crimes of colonialism, is an evidence of arrogance and to clearly show that their forum has a colonial objective and agenda so as to continue looting people's resources and materials for their country's stability. They have no humanitarian

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objective, assistance, mercy or genuine cooperation, except for furthering of neo-colonialism in a new tricky face. Both the collapsed socialism and ruling capitalism today are not able to solve problems of mankind in any country. These ideologies are the root cause and never are they the solution and what is announced as problems are the outcomes and indications of the same problem.

Today, the ruling capitalist ideology, principally it overlooks the role of Allah the creator, and instead sanctifies (creature) man's intellect to an extent the he sees it as capable of organizing their lives comprehensively and with perfection. Despite advancement in science, it has not directed them to see and admit the weakness of man as a creature and that he does not deserve to organize for himself how he should live but rather he requires a more experienced one to organize and manage for him. He is Allah.

Denying the role of Allah is what removes humanity in the hearts and minds of humans and eventually causing chaos and violence. Their exist classes of masters and slaves. The masters were more concerned with preferring their dogs, and abandoning their fellow humans (slaves). People killed each other to increase wealth (interest) as it is 'honor' in the capitalist ideology.

The real issue is not Africans for their Africa; rather it should be the worlds for their world. In addition, the true and viable solution cannot be found except by removing the capitalist ideology and putting in its place an alternative ideology, correct and comprehensive to govern man's life. That is Islam only. Like the failure of socialism, capitalism is ailing as well and everyday it continues to bear more problems.

It is now time to give an ideological opportunity to the Islamic ideology in order to stabilize human societies without putting into consideration regions or race. Moreover, this is only reference, since history testifies for Islam to be the only best ideology to have ruled, humankind for so long and with huge achievements in all spheres of life.

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### (Shahada) لا الله الا الله ال



Laa ilah ila LLah is popularly uttered by all Muslims. The declaration, which is also known as the shahada (testimony) means bearing witness and testifying there is no deity worthy of worship but Allah (swt). It is the first pillar of Islam and a necessary command for anyone who wants to embrace Islam. In this article, we would look at its essence, its true reflection that we may comprehend its effect and what it means to us. Also it is important to draw our attention that the shahada is a fundamental basis of Islam and a foundation all Islamic rulings.

Shahada (Testimony) has begun with a denotation of Lam-alif ك which linguistically is known as laa for defying or denying anything (لا النافية للجنس). Literally, the alphabet 'laa' here means 'No one'. This kind of denotation usually enters into nominal sentences (Jumla Ismiyyah). In Arabic language, there are two types of sentences; the one that starts with a noun and the other that begins with a verb; verbal sentence (jumla fiilia) .In this context, the laa has entered into nominal sentence and therefore means defying the next description. In this regard, means no one.

Concerning noun Ilaha الله it means any deity worthy of worship. The name here has come after laa…so it is unrestricted (تركن) (this means there is none to be worshipped. The noun here is in a singular form and bears only one meaning both linguistic and jurisprudent and that is; the worshiped. For this reason, there is a restricted meaning of the word ilaha with a singular interpretation. The wisdom being that Allah has obliged all humankind to confess with their heart none is worth of worship but Him (swt). Additionally this shows the greatness of Allah's Mercy that He (swt) did not want to leave behind any excuse for humankind to worship other than Allah (swt). This is how the shahada bears a great weight. Therefore, this part of the shahada obliges all humanity to abstain from worshipping any deity. Pondering this first statement, you will notice that it does not defy worshipping. This is the fact that worshipping is one of the instincts of humankind. What it really mean is to testify that deities have no right to be worshipped. Indeed, it is innate in human beings to worship and this is proved historically. Since his presence, he finds himself a place of worship. Consequently, worshipping cannot be detached from human beings instead, he feels tranquility when worshipping because it satisfies his spiritual need. However, worshipping should not be based on emotions because this alone will cause him to stray from the one who possess the right to be worshipped. This is why for a man to worship he has to have conviction and belief based on rational thinking and reasoning. He has to worship Allah alone because He is his creator and not Idols, Jinns and Human beings.

With regard to the phrase( الا الله ). This is absolutely the second description that outlines who possesses the right to be worshiped. The denotation of Illa in arabic refers to

exceptional indicator meaning confirmation which comes after denying. So it means None is worthy of worship except...Allah. This second description of the shahada compels anyone who pronounces it to worship none other than Allah. The declaration that Allah is worthy of worship is demonstrated in the testimony obliging humankind to believe firmly in Allah (swt). The statement further commands people to strictly believe in existence of Allah and anyone who does not believe in Allah is regarded a disbeliever (kafir). Additionally, the proclamation that there is none to be worshipped other than Allah (swt) is a command to all humanity to believe and defy deities.

The shahada therefore means to have a definite believe to Allah and He alone is worthy of worship. The description of the shahada that Allah is the only worthy of worship is informative of the benefit thus it is a command. On the other part, the description that there is none worthy of worship except Allah is a rebuke and a command to abstain from worshipping deities i.e. idols, twaghut...etc. It also means absolute faith (iman) that any other than Allah (swt) is false and invalid Allah says:

#### فَمَن يَكْفُرُ بِالطَّاغُوتِ وَيُؤْمِن بِاللَّهِ فَقَدِ اسْتَمْسَنَكَ بِالْعُرُوَةِ الْمُنْقَىٰ لَا انفِصَامَ لَهَا \* وَاللَهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ

So whoever disbelieves in Taghut and believes in Allah has grasped the most trustworthy handhold with no break in it. Allah Allah is Hearing and Knowing [Al-Baqara: 256]

From here, believing in the existence of Allah should not only mean believing that He is the creator but also to mean He is the worthy worshipped, Therefore the Kalimah Laa ilaha illa Allah means there is none worth worshipped but Allah swt. The Kalimah obliges a muslim to link his Imaan directly to worshipping Him SWT. He is commanded to glorify Allah swt for He is the Amighty creator of the Universe and He alone has the right to be worshipped.

In our modern world today, specifically the western world the belief in Allah is considered just as a myth or an idea, which is not definitely true. They insist the belief in God is good idea because it helps man to abstain from evils. This is a fatal mistake because the existence of Allah is not a theory rather is definitely a fact that Islam has explicitly put a profound way of believing in Allah and that none but Him has the right to be worshipped. Belief in Him comes with conviction and through pondering and reasoning. Quran had drawn attention to this regard in many of its verses: Allah (swt) says:

#### وَإِلَٰهُكُمْ إِلَٰهٌ وَاحِدٌ ۖ لَا إِلَٰهَ إِلَّهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الرَّحْمَٰنُ الرَّحِيمُ

And your is one God. There is no deity (worthy of worship) except Him, the Entire Merciful, the Especially Mercifu [Al-Bagara: 163]

Understanding the shahada is very important, as for

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Muslims it is not allowed to be ignorant of what they testify. Unfortunately, this is one of great ignorance today because despite confessing the shahada but our lives are far from what the shahada means. As a result, foolish Muslim leaders lead the lives of their citizens based on secular values. The shahad has been limited to the Mosque and anyone who wants the entire life to be organized by the shahada is branded as extremist. It is therefore extremely important to have a clear understanding of our shahada.

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# The Impact of Family Breakdown on Children and Society



Mr Justice Coleridge, a former family judge in the U.K. with more than 37 years of experience with family law compared the breakdown of family life with being as destructive as the effects of global warming. He described it as a problem that affects all levels of society and that on a daily basis judges like him witness a "never-ending carnival" of human misery, and that "almost all of society's social ills can be traced back to the collapse in family stability." Mr Coleridge isn't the only one describing the destructive effects of family breakdown. In a report by the Centre for Social Justice (CSJ), it warned that the UK is experiencing a "tsunami" of family breakdown and the devastating effects this is having on children and society. The breakdown of family life isn't a problem that is isolated to the UK but actually a worldwide problem, varying only in its intensity in various countries. The problem seems to be growing most rapidly in countries where Western liberal values take precedence. To quote the words of Australia's senior and experienced politician, Kevin Andrews, "The greatest threat facing the western world was not global warming, the financial crisis or the threat of radical Islam, but "the steady, but continuing breakdown of the essential structures of civil society - marriage, family and community".

Many factors can be named as reasons why we see families breaking up. Infidelity, financial problems, violence, alcohol and drug abuse are just a few reasons why we see families breaking down. All these troubles will automatically have a negative influence on everyone within the family-unit, but children are the most vulnerable victims of the negative effects consistent with family breakdown. This is especially so because of their dependency on adults to help them grow in to adulthood. Family life in most cases should create a building block for children to progress and develop throughout life. But when the family unit breaks apart, children are left with little stability causing them to miss out on the invaluable aspects of childhood that are important for life.

#### **Relationship with Parents:**

The most significant consequence for children after their family breaks apart is their diminishing relationship with one or both parents.

For example, when parents split up, children will often grow up in 'one-parent' households, in many cases reducing or losing contact with one of their parents. In the U.K. and U.S one third of children are being raised without their biological fathers (US Census and

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UK Office for National Statistics). In the UK around a million children are growing up without a father in their lives(CSJ). This statistic becomes even more worrying when a recent study conducted by Harry Benson, Communication Director at the UK organisation the Marriage Foundation, reveals that "not having a father in the house remains the number one predictor of teenage mental health problems in the UK." It is clear that children growing up without fathers are, on the whole, more vulnerable.

If it isn't enough that for many children the contact with one parent will be minimalized or even completely severed after a breakdown, there is also evidence that the relationship with the parent whom children grow up with, often deteriorates due to a range of factors. (Pryor, J. and Rodgers, B. (2001) Children in Changing Families. Oxford: Blackwell) One factor is the necessity of the loneparent, often the mother, becoming the sole breadwinner for the family such that they are forced to place their children in the hands of others to look after and often raise due to their work commitments. With the family unit becoming smaller over the years (having limited extended family) children are often left in the care of nonsignificant others or left to fend for themselves as 'latchkey kids' who come home from school to an empty house where they have to look after themselves, including preparing their own meals. Furthermore, depression for both fathers and mothers is significantly correlated to divorce, putting even more pressure on the child-parent relationships.

#### Negative Economic Impact:

After family breakup, the economic situation of children often changes radically.

A survey conducted in the US reveals that the custodial mother experiences a loss of 25-50% of their pre-divorce income. Only 50% of these mothers had some kind of child support agreement, and 25% of the mothers who had actually been granted support, received no payments. (US Census Bureau. 2011. Divorce Rates Highest in the South, Lowest in the Northeast, Census Bureau Reports United States Census Bureau Web Site.) In the UK single-parent families are the most likely household type to be living in financial poverty. Lone parents are 2.5 times more likely to be living below 60 percent of median income. 41 per cent of children from lone-parent families were in households living on less than 60 per cent of median income after housing costs. (CSJ, Fractured Families) To quote a teacher from the U.K. what this actually means on the ground: "We see children who aren't eating before lunchtime. Many can't afford uniform or shoes. And lots are caring for younger siblings single handed." Children living in poverty are almost twice as likely to live in bad housing. This has significant effects on both their physical and mental wellbeing, as well as educational achievement.

# The Effects on Children's Social, Emotional, and Behavioural Competency and Mental Health:

As a society we surely need to understand that of the many different relationships people form over the course of their life span, the relationship between parent and child is among the most important. The way parents behave towards each other and how they behave towards their children, will be a major indicator on how the young develop into adulthood and what role they will be able to play in society. With the relationship between parent and child deteriorating due to the declining state of the family-unit, we see that children from broken families are losing a general sense of belonging. A sense of belonging means that you feel accepted and valued as a member or part of something. It is an important concept which we need to feel in order to deal with the issues of life around us and to cope with life's difficulties.

Experts have proposed that this important concept is lacking in many youngsters from broken homes and that it seems to be a major factor behind young adults joining gangs. It could also be the reason why we see an increase in gang related crimes. Many youngsters see gang membership as a surrogate family, which give them this essential sense of belonging. In an interview with gang members from the US, conducted by Joe Killian, a writer for the News and Record, several members said that, "Being part of a gang meant you were never alone in the world, which is similar to how many people describe being part of a close-knit family or group of friends."

In addition, the following conclusion was published in a report by the UK National Association of Schoolmasters Union of Women Teachers underlining the role of family breakdown in a growing gang culture in the U.K. It stated that family breakdown and a lack of father figures could be to blame for pupils joining gangs, "Children as young as nine are being drawn into organised crime for protection and to gain a "sense of belonging" because of the lack of positive role models at home."

The general well-being of children is also being affected by their families breaking up. It was found that the wellbeing of children from broken homes is significantly lower when compared to that of children from two parent families. A large meta-analysis (Amato 1991 and 2001: Children of divorce in the 1990s: an update of the Amato and Keith (1991) meta-analysis. Journal of Family Psychology, 15, 355-70) found that children from divorced families had significantly lower scores on a range of outcomes including educational achievement, behaviour, psychological adjustment, self-concept, social competence and long-term health. In a different research, evidence was found that children from separated parents were prone to experiencing more behavioural problems and that they would perform less well at school and leave Cont... page 11

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The burden of family breakdown on the overall emotional development of children was also made clear in a study conducted in Sweden where almost one million children demonstrated that children growing up with single parents were more than twice as likely to experience a serious psychiatric disorder, commit or attempt suicide, or develop an alcohol addiction. Shocking statistics from the US on the effects of fatherless homes and the development of children have revealed just how immense the problem really is. For example in the US, 63% of youth suicides are from fatherless homes (US Department of Health) and children of single-parent homes are more than twice as likely to commit suicide (Irwin Sandler, PhD, professor of psychology and director of the Prevention Research Center, Arizona State University, Tempe). In addition, a study of 1,977 children age 3 and older living with a residential father or father figure found that children living with married biological parents had significantly fewer externalizing and internalizing behavioral problems than children living with at least one non-biological parent. (Hofferth, S. L. (2006). Residential father family type and child well-being: investment versus selection. Demography, 43, 53-78.). There is also significantly more drug use among children who do not live with their mother and father. (Hoffmann, John P. "The Community Context of Family Structure and Adolescent Drug Use." Journal of Marriage and Family 64 (May 2002): 314-330.)

Furthermore, an analysis of almost 11,000 families conducted in the UK found that family breakdown poses the single biggest risk to children's mental health once they reach their teens and that having parents who split up was the strongest single influence on girls' mental health, particularly on emotional problems. It was the joint strongest factor in boys' mental health, with strong links to behavioural problems. (The Times)

It has been said that a rise in mental illness could be seen as a reflection of unhappiness in a society. With a rise in rates of depression and anxiety amongst teenagers, the number of children and young adults turning up in A&E with a psychiatric condition doubling in the last 10 years and the amount of hospital admissions for teenagers with eating disorders doubling, (The Independent) governments can no longer deny the epidemic numbers of young people affected emotionally and psychologically by family breakdown and what this highlights about the values and way of life of the society that these governments govern over.

In all western societies, the extended family has all but disappeared, and the traditional two-parent family has become much less widespread as divorce rates, remarriages, cohabitation, single parenthood and samesex partnerships have all increased. The repercussions of these changes on society at large, especially on the lives of children have been remarkable. Yet governments seem to be clueless in offering solutions. This is not surprising as it is the very secular liberal values and system that they champion and implement upon their states that has caused this social chaos. Sadly therefore, it is expected that the destructive fall-out of family breakdown will only continue and even accelerate in the coming years, sowing deep misery for so many, particularly the young.

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### The Prophet's (saw) Methodology for Revival 18th Halaqa: Seeking for Material Power (Nusrah) is a Command from Allah (swt) and So it Should Be Adhered to; It is Part of the Shari'ah Methodology, It is Forbidden to Reject or Ignore it

In this Circle, we will talk about: seeking for material power (Nusrah) is a command from Allah (swt) and so it should be adhered to; It is part of the Shari'ah methodology, it is forbidden to reject or ignore it. We emphasize that seeking for Nusrah is not an opinion or a style which the Messenger (saw) decided to undertake by his own will, rather it was a command from Allah (swt) and was obligatory for the Messenger (saw) to abide by it. And the evidence for this is from the Book and Sunnah, and the knowledge of the Usool.

First: in the Book is His (swt) saying:

لَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا رُسُلَنَا بِالْبَيَنَاتِ وَأَنْزَلْنَا مَعَهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْمِيزَانَ لِيَقُومَ النَّاسُ بِالْقِسْطِ<sup>ِّط</sup>َ وَأَنْزَلْنَا الْحَدِيدَ فِيهِ بَأْسٌ شَدِيدٌ وَمَنَافِعُ لِلنَّاسِ وَلِيَعْلَمَ اللَّهُ مَنْ يَنْصُرُهُ وَرُسُلَهُ بِالْغَيْبِ <sup>3</sup>إِنَّ اللَّهَ هَوِيٌّ عَرْبِي

We have already sent Our Messengers with clear evidences and sent down with them the scripture and the balance that the people may maintain (their affairs) in justice. And We sent down iron, wherein is great military might and benefits for the people, and so that Allah may make evident those who support Him and His messengers unseen. Indeed, Allah is Powerful and Exalted in Might. [Surat Al-Hadid: 25]

Indeed, our Lord (swt) informed us that He sent the Angel to the Prophets and Messengers, and He sent these Prophets and Messengers to the Ummah, and gave them clear power of miracles, and clear evidences, and revealed unto them books so as to expound the truth, and made it clear to people so that they follow them.

Allah (swt) put on earth a measure for truth and justice; so that they put things right, and establish justice. And Allah brought down iron full of strength, so that different weapons are derived from it which Muslims would use to fight Jihad against the disbelievers (kuffar), and restrain those whose souls are sickened, who go astray from Allah's methodology, and violate the rights of the servants of Allah.

Indeed, Allah (swt) revealed to us the wisdom behind all that, he revealed to us the wisdom of sending Messengers, books and measure and bringing down iron, all are but tests to mankind; will he stand on the side of truth, the stand of he who defends the Da'wah and methodology of Allah. Or he will stand together with people of falsehood the stand of he who renounces Allah and His Messenger, the enemy who fights the Da'wah and methodology of Allah. While Allah is the true God and Most Powerful, the Ablest to destroy whomever He wants, and Allah (swt) is the Most Powerful who does not need assistance from anyone, rather He commanded them to perform Jihad; so that they benefit from it, and get reward by following commands of Allah.

To all that preceded, and by the understanding (Mafhoum) of the noble verse and by its wisdom, it is clearly inevitable that the Truth must get power that will protect and defend it, in that case we see the Messenger (saw) as we are told by the books of seerah, going to Taif seeking for the Nusrah from the Thaqif together with protection, hoping that they would accept what he came with from Allah Azza wa Jalla, except that they rejected him, and sent their goons and slaves to ridicule him (saw).

Rasul (saw) continued introducing himself to tribes, and searching for people of power (Ahlil Quwwa), until Allah bestowed to him the blessing of the Nusrah and support.

Second: In the Sunnah is the action of the Messenger (saw):

Narrated by Abu Nuaim from Ali bin Abi Twalib (ra) said: (When Allah ordered His Messenger to introduce himself to Arab tribes, he went out with me and Abu Bakr (ra) until we reached Mina, we came across a gathering of Arabs, Abu Bakr (ra) advanced by offering greetings, and Abu Bakr was advanced in every khair than us, he was a man of kinship...)

Third: In the knowledge of the Usool

It gives an understanding that requesting for an action to be done (طلب الفعل) and keeping on reiterating the request for the action (وطلب تكراره) notwithstanding the complexity of the action, is a connotation (Qarina) among the connotations of obligation. (التكليف (التكليف)

The scholar Ata Abu Rashtah says in his book "Taysirul wusul ilal usul":

(ومن صيغة الطلب والقرينة الجازمة يكون حكم هذا الفعل الوجوب). (And from the expression and obligatory connotation the hukm of this action becomes wajib).

And it is known that the Messenger (saw) introduced himself to approximately twenty-one (21) tribes. And from that, indeed the repetition of the Messenger's (saw) action a number of times despite hardships that the action involved, where the people of Taif aggravated him, stoned him until his noble feet were full of blood, means that seeking for the Nusrah is mandatory. If it weren't mandatory the Messenger (saw) would not have persisted with the action.



### Q&A Trump's Insistence on OPEC, Especially on Saudi Arabia, to Increase Production and Reduce Oil Prices

Question: On the 2nd of October, 2018, during the mid-term election rally in the constituency of Mississippi, Trump has threatened Saudi Arabia and showed his supporters that he was dealing with high oil prices: "... And how about our military deals where we protect rich nations and we don't get reimbursed, how about that stuff "meaning oil"? That is changing too folks... We protect Saudi Arabia. Would you say they're rich? And I love the King, King Salman. But I said 'King we're protecting you — you might not be there for two weeks without us — you have to pay for your military." (Khaleej Online, 03/10/2018).

My question is not why the rulers of Saudi Arabia remain silent on this insult, rather they remain obedient to America, it is because they are small in their own eyes, and so they grew accustomed to humiliation. But my question is what makes Trump pursue Saudi Arabia aggressively to increase production to reduce the prices; even though America is the largest producer and can control the price reduction alone? So why is he insisting on escalating this now? And finally, why, despite all this American pressure the price of oil has not decreased? And may Allah reward you with the good.

Answer: Yes, you said the truth, the one who is humiliated is accustomed to humiliation, Trump's statements about the rulers of Saudi Arabia are enough to destroy the relations with America, if not above that, but that is if they were ashamed of Allah, His Messenger and the believers, but they are not ashamed, and the truthful Messenger of Allah (saw) said: النَّبُوَةِ إِذَا لَمُ تَسْتَحْي فَاصْنَعْ مَا شِئْتَ إِنَّ مِمَا أَذْرَكَ النَّاسُ بِنَ» (Verily, from what was learnt by the people from the speech of the earliest prophecy is: If you feel no shame, then do as you wish."[Al-Bukhari]

# As for the answer to your question or questions, it is as follows:

1. When Donald Trump took office in January 2017, oil prices were around \$57 a barrel. By June 2017, oil prices had fallen to \$45 a barrel, but have since continued to rise. Today, the price of oil is \$86 on Brent crude and some analysts expect oil prices to reach \$100 a barrel!

On 5/7/2018, Trump wrote on Twitter: **"The OPEC Monopoly must remember that gas prices are up** & they are doing little to help. If anything, they are driving prices higher as the United States defends many of their members (i.e. OPEC members) for very little \$'s. This (relationship) must be a two way street (i.e we support you in return for a low oil price)... **REDUCE PRICING NOW!**" Before that on 30th of June 2018 he said in a tweet: "Just spoke to King Salman of Saudi Arabia and explained to him that, because of the turmoil & disfunction in Iran and Venezuela, I am asking that Saudi Arabia increase oil production, maybe up to 2,000,000 barrels, to make up the difference... Prices to high! He has agreed!" (Al-Hura: 30/6/2018)

On 25/9/20/2018 the President of the United States of America attacked OPEC in his speech in the UN General Assembly and said:"OPEC and OPEC nations are, as usual, ripping off the rest of the world, and I don't like it. Nobody should like it. We defend many of these nations for nothing, and then they take advantage of us by giving us high oil prices...we want them to start lowering prices... We are not going to put up with it, these horrible prices, much longer." (Sputnik, September 25, 2018), and on 27/9/2018, Trump wrote on Twitter "We protect the countries of the Middle East, they would not be safe for very long without us, and yet they continue to push for higher and higher oil prices! We will remember. The OPEC monopoly must get prices down now!"

As it states in the answer to a question on 2/10/2018 in the mid-term election rally in the constituency of Mississippi, Trump has threatened Saudi Arabia and showed his supporters that he was dealing with high oil prices: "...And how about our military deals where we protect rich nations and we don't get reimbursed, how about that stuff "meaning oil"? That is changing too folks...We protect Saudi Arabia. Would you say they're rich. And I love the King, King Salman. But I said 'King — we're protecting you — you might not be there for two weeks without us — you have to pay for your military."' (Khaleej Online, 03/10/2018).

#### All this means that Trump is interested, in the current conditions, in increasing production, but from OPEC, especially from Saudi Arabia.

2. Yes, America is the largest producer, according to the US Energy Information Administration (EIA), the US agency that collects energy statistics. At the end of 2017, the EIA published a timetable for world oil production, which was then 95 million barrels per day. According to the table, the seven largest producing countries are as follows:

The United States: 14.46 million barrels per day of the total world production, Saudi Arabia: 12.08 million, Russia: 11.18 million, Canada: 4.87 million, Iran: 4.67 *Cont... page 14* 

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million, Iraq: 4.48 million, China: 4.45 million.

# America remains the largest oil producer in the world, followed by Saudi Arabia and Russia

3 – And yes, America can increase production as it wishes, especially when it has a large stock of shale oil, but there is something that stops it from resorting to it:

a -To Maintain its Stock and Reserves

b - There are Ruwaibidha (base vile rulers) who implement its order even if they are insulted in this matter. They even implement this while it is harmful to them, as it is with the rulers of Saudi Arabia!! America is asking Saudi Arabia to reduce oil prices to provide its people the lowest prices after the price of Brent crude reached global benchmark of almost \$ 80 a barrel in the ninth month of this year. "On 14/9/2018 global benchmark of Brent crude oil increased to become \$ 78.21 a barrel, the highest rise since 22/5/2018"... (Reuters 14/9/2018). Note that "OPEC production rose to 32.79 million barrels per day. Saudi Arabia, which had promised a calculated increase in its production, said that the decision will translate into an increase in production by about one million barrels per day" (Reuters, 31/8/2018). "When Brent crude was heading towards \$80 a barrel, Saudi Arabia informed the market of an increase in its production last month earlier than the date on which such information was usually disclosed," quoted from the source.

The Saudi regime is a strong American agent and in its service. Saudi Arabia has always played a pivotal role in stabilizing the oil market ... Saudi Arabia, needs high oil prices at this time, as its economy is under severe economic pressure since the oil price collapse in 2014. Especially since oil is the main revenue source in Saudi Arabia's budget. It is common knowledge that in countries where oil revenues account for more than half of their revenues, they need oil prices above \$ 80 a barrel to balance their budget – enough oil revenue to cover the budget expenditure - how is it then when Saudi Arabia's budget is totally based on the oil revenues? The suitable price is above \$ 80, even around \$ 100 to balance its budget, and develop its economy, since it is now unstable. However, its ruler agrees to increase production to lower prices, regardless of the harm done to the country to satisfy Trump, who publicly insulted the Saudi ruler, that had it not been for America, his throne would have collapsed!! They ignore this and their crown prince says that Saudi Arabia is ready to compensate for the Iranian shortage! Bloomberg News reported on 6/10/2018 statements of the Saudi crown prince Bin Salman: He insisted that Saudi Arabia has kept its promise to make up for lost Iranian crude supplies," and he said: "Saudi Arabia is now pumping about 10.7 million barrels a day -- close to a record -- and can add a further 1.3 million if the market needs

that..."

As long as there is an agent of America who is willing to harm himself to achieve Trump's desire of increasing production, why then should America use its reserves?

4- Why is this insistence by Trump on OPEC, and especially Saudi Arabia to increase production and reduce prices? It is because there are two things that constitute an urgent dilemma for Trump that he needs to be solved quickly, otherwise Trump is not affected by the prices increase ... America can absorb the increase by printing new dollars, as it did when the previous oil prices rose to about \$150. We issued previously in the Answer to a Question on 16/5/2009: "that America can print banknotes, with the approval of the International Monetary Fund or in secret, "even publicly" without its consent, as it has the effective influence in the Fund, and can show false reasons and hide the truth of the matter, and it can get the Fund's support! But the printing of banknotes in this way leads to a devaluation of the dollar, and inflation, i.e. increase in prices. This is why America does not take this step unless it has vested interest. For example, it is reported that America printed between "2 trillion - 4 trillion" during the oil speculation, which caused the price increase to nearly \$ 150 a barrel, "and America was not far from that speculation". America printed these notes to buy the largest quantity of oil directly or indirectly to add it to its stock, it saw it as an interest above the high prices and the decline of the dollar ..." but because it takes time to arrange the production of this "scenario"! And because the two issues need a quick solution or else Trump will fall in trouble as we mentioned earlier. Thus, Trump was furious with OPEC, and especially with Saudi Arabia ... These are the two dilemmas:

#### The first: the subject of sanctions on Iran:

Iran is the third largest producer of crude oil in OPEC after Saudi Arabia and Iraq, its production is around 4 million barrels per day of crude oil. The sanctions will lead to a shortage of Iranian oil exports, especially in November, when sanctions are increasing including Iran as well as oil importers from Iran. America has asked companies to cut down on Iranian oil imports first, and then to cancel their contracts with Iran next November, which could lead to a reduction in Iranian exports. But Saudi Arabia can increase oil production if necessary, meaning it is prepared to compensate for the shortage of Iranian supply. Saudi Crown Prince Mohammad bin Salman said: "We export as much as two barrels for any barrel that disappeared from Iran recently," the prince said. "So we did our job and more." Saudi Arabia is now pumping about 10.7 million barrels a day -- close to a record -- and can add a further **1.3 million if the market needs that,**" (https://www. akhbarak.net, 08/10/2018).

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UQAB MAGAZINE On 4/11/2018, the United States plans to step up sanctions against Iran, targeting oil exports and pressuring governments and companies around the world to comply and reduce purchases from Iran. This means that the supply of oil will fall in the global market. As the statement of the seven largest oil producing countries mentioned above, Iran was producing more than 4 million barrels of oil per day "and this has now declined." Half of the oil is produced, China and India and Turkey, receives from it nearly 2 million barrels. Trump expects the sanctions measures will remove these two million. America wants to compensate it through Saudi Arabia and other OPEC countries to compensate for the expected shortfall, so that America can address the issue of Iran away from Europe, Russia and China after announcing its withdrawal on 8/5/2018 from the nuclear agreement signed three years ago with these countries. It offers an agreement with Iran alone. The US president has announced his readiness to hold such an agreement, but the conditions must be created within Iran. This may take time ... Trump wants to compensate for this shortfall until he can arrange an agreement between America and Iran without involving Europe, if the shortage remains without compensation and then prices rose, this will put him in trouble. Because he built the sanctions on the grounds that the lack of Iranian oil as a result of the sanctions will be compensated by his threats to OPEC, especially Saudi Arabia ... In other words, America wants to address the issue of shortage of oil supplies and ensure that it does not rise until these problems are solved with Iran, because this may not be fast.

Thus, Trump insists on OPEC and primarily Saudi Arabia to compensate for the Iranian supply shortage, which will be evident on 4/11/2018, in addition to the shortfall caused by the sanctions on 21/05/2018 imposed by Trump on Venezuela, even if it is less influential. Its current production is 1.5 million oil barrels per day.

#### The second is the American elections:

Rising oil prices creates a problem for Donald Trump, who will run the mid-term elections in November. High oil prices will keep his supporters in office, especially as most opinion polls show that the Democrats will control the House. To show the US voter that he puts America first, he puts the blame and pressure on Saudi Arabia and OPEC members to increase production. At the same time, The Trump administration is forcing China, India and Turkey to break ties with Iran and look for crude oil elsewhere. Rising oil prices also affect how much US consumers pay for petrol. With the US mid-term elections, this will not be a winning factor. The American people are sensitive to the rise in fuel prices, and cannot accept that their government is going to raise oil prices, so President Trump is blaming high prices on the Gulf States and OPEC and attacks them to show the American people that he is defending his interests and is

able to pressure Saudi Arabia and OPEC to reduce the price. He is interested in lowering the price, especially in the US election period. This is necessary today for the US president and his Republican party's need to get the votes of the American voters in the November 6th, 2018 mid-term elections, especially as opinion polls give preference to Democrats.

5- Why do oil prices continue to rise despite the threat of Trump and its pressure and the response of Saudi Arabia? The reason is that there are other parties in OPEC that follow Europe and in conflict with America, and there is Russia also, and these parties, especially those linked to Europe, are not easy to respond to America except to the extent that does not achieve Trump's ambitions as quickly as he wants it. Saudi Arabia is America's main instrument within OPEC, but there are others in OPEC with certain interests, including those who follow large European countries, and may not obey America easily, as well as there are partner countries of OPEC as a Russia with certain interests. America cannot fully impose its will.

In an attempt to lower prices, the president asked for increased production. However, OPEC and its producer allies did not reach an agreement in their meeting in Algeria on 23/9/2018 on an additional increase in oil production, contrary to Trump's call.

As for Russia, America succeeded in 2017, and until today to use Saudi Arabia to pressure Russia and embarrass it and respond to it in increasing production and then reduce prices ... For the first time a Saudi king visits Russia to attend a meeting in October, 2017 between OPEC and non-OPEC members, especially Russia, In October 2017, king Salman visited Russia and attended the OPEC meeting. Oil prices then began to stabilize above \$ 60 a barrel before rising since mid-year of 2018, as discussed earlier. However, Saudi Arabia and Russia struggled to meet the requirements of 2 million barrels per day requested by Trump. In fact, independent analysts as well as the International Energy Agency (IEA) suspect that Saudi Arabia and Russia could add 2 million barrels a day. The International Energy Agency (IEA), a Paris-based group representing consumer country, recently estimated what it called "short-order supplies" from the Middle East, including Saudi Arabia, at 1.14 million bpd.

Russia could add up to 400,000 barrels a day, analysts say. In the end, under constant pressure from the United States, Saudi Arabia reached a secret agreement with Russia in September to boost oil production. **"The agreement asserts that Russia and Saudi Arabia are increasingly deciding on oil production policies before consulting other OPEC members,**" the sources said that Saudi Energy Minister Khalid al-Falih and his Russian counterpart Alexander Novak agreed during a series of meetings on lifting The production from

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September to December, with the price of crude oil at about \$ 80 a barrel. The source said: "The Russians and Saudis agreed to increase oil pumping to the market quietly, so as not to appear to be acting on the orders of Trump by pumping more Oil." Another source said:" The Saudi minister told the US Secretary of Energy Rick Perry that Saudi Arabia will increase production if its customers demand more oil." (www.reuters.com).

But perhaps one wonders why does Russia join America to curb high oil prices, even though high oil prices are in Russia's interest? To answer this question, the scrutiny of this fact shows that Russia supports the price of oil at \$65 a barrel, because this is the price of the balance of the Russian oil industry, high prices will make many importing countries unable to afford to buy it eventually leading to a collapse in the demand side, which would harm the Russian oil industry.

In any case, Russia is not a big risk in this equation, but what really affect this equation is the pro-European OPEC members. It is not easy to implement what Trump is asking for except with greater pressure ... However, prices are unlikely to rise to 100, since importing countries cannot handle it, and the demand will fall and then the rise stops and falls... Trump is interested in reducing prices during the election period and its annexes, i.e. by the end of the year when it is not unlikely that the subject of the nuclear agreement would have begun to move towards a new bilateral Iranian-American agreement without Europe, and America's pressure on increasing production will end and so prices will revolve around \$80 a barrel ...

What is painful is that foreign forces use the resources of the Muslim world to play games against each other, while our rulers the Ruwaibidha are blindly following these policies and without any respect for the dignity of the Ummah. Note that most of the world's oil reserves are stored in the Islamic lands, whether in the Arab countries, Iran, in Africa, like Nigeria or Central Asia such as Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan or the Caucasus, like in Azerbaijan, but the country's oil imports do not belong to its people, most of whom suffer poverty and destitution. The rulers, their families and their entourage plunder it and smuggle the money abroad. When America asked Saudi Arabia last year during Trump's visit to Saudi Arabia on 21/5/2017, the sum of 460 billion dollars the Saud family were ready to meet his demand and pay the amount. Therefore, Muslims are not saved from this tragic situation except by the guided Khalifah (Caliph) like Al-Farouq, Omar Ibn al-Khattab who distributes wealth to people fairly, and starts with the poorest people and ends with the Khalifah (Caliph), who is the last to take and eat. The Prophet, the truthful (saw) said:

«كُلُّكُمْ رَاعٍ وَكُلُّكُمْ مَسْنُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ الْإِمَامُ رَاعٍ وَمَسْنُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ» "Each of you is a shepherd and each of you is

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responsible for his flock. The amir (ruler) who is over the people is a shepherd and is responsible for his flock "[Bukhari]

He who deceives his people, his torment is severe as the Prophet (saw) said in the Hadith narrated by At-Tabarani in Al-Kabeer:

"There is no person whom Allah has put in a position of authority and he dies on the day he dies cheating those under his authority, but Allah will forbid Paradise for him."

These are the Ruwaibidha rulers; little do they think and comprehend!

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