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## Hizb ut Tahrir Wilayah Pakistan Delivers Memorandum at Uzbek Embassy

## Uzbek Regime's Crimes will not go Unpunished in this World and the Punishment of the Hereafter is more Severe

Hizb ut Tahrir Wilayah Pakistan delivered a memorandum issued by Hizb ut Tahrir Uzbekistan to the embassy of Uzbekistan in Islamabad. This memorandum was issued on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2015, highlighting the atrocities committed by the brutal regime of the Karimov regime against the Shahab of Hizb ut Tahrir imprisoned in Uzbek jails.

The memorandum stated that "state-affiliated detainees have attempted to break the will of the steadfast members of Hizb ut Tahrir and especially of Brother Kazhakofa Ahmad Jan from the city of Andijan, whom they broke his legs... and when his relatives came to visit him, the state-affiliated detainees asked him to divorce his wife. He refused it categorically, and after he confronted them with this firm response, they assisted the prison management of Prison OYA-64/51 on 5/10/2015 to stab Ahmad Jan in his stomach with a knife..."

It further stated that, "the internal system of the prison is controlled by the state-affiliated detainees and they carry out acts of brutality against the detainees for religious reasons according to Article 159, especially against the detainees from the members of Hizb ut Tahrir. They put them in an isolated room where they are subjected to most severe types of torture and humiliation... and they break their hands and feet with utter brutality. They do not stop at this, they enter the visitor rooms where prisoners meet with their relatives, when they are allowed to visit, and they disturb and harm them... and all this is with the knowledge of the prison's administration, who cover up for them."

In this memorandum it is stated that, "We like to remind you that there are more than six thousand members of Hizb ut Tahrir in Uzbekistan's prisons, many of them are detained since 1999, which is more than 16 years, and even though their extended time of their sentences is finished, the state in Uzbekistan extends their detention illegally for a second, third and fourth time. This is not exclusive to men, Muslim women face the same fate in Karimov's prisons."

The memorandum ends with a warning to the Uzbek regime that, "we declare to the whole world that these crimes will not go unpunished in this world, Allah willing, and the punishment of the Hereafter is more severe and eternal... and that these crimes will not stop Hizb ut Tahrir from moving forth in its call for the return of Islam to the realm of life, patiently, steadfast, and proud, and in full belief of the near victory of Allah (swt) and victory of His Deen, Allah (swt) says in His Great Book:

إِيْرِيدُونَ أَنْ يُطْفِنُوا نُورَ اللَّهِ بِأَفْوَاهِهِمْ وَيَأْبَى اللَّهُ إِلَّا أَنْ يُتِمَّ نُورَهُ وَلَقْ كَرِهَ الْكَافِرُونَ».

"They want to extinguish the light of Allah with their mouths, but Allah refuses except to perfect His light, although the disbelievers dislike it." [AtTawba: 32]

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