

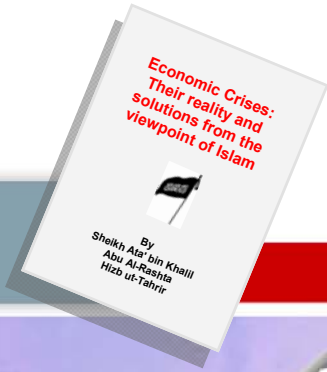


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Press Release

Hizb ut-Tahrir Held a Global Conference Entitled: Revolution Of The Nation: Schemes For Its Abortion And The Inevitability Of The Islamic Project

The conference centered around three topics. First: "Revolutions of the Arab world - their causes, reality, and aspirations," Second: "Schemes for aborting and deviating the course of the revolution" and Third: "The inevitability of Islamic project Islamic - "caliphate".

The conference was opened by the leader of Hizb ut-Tahrir; the respected scholar Ata ibn Khalil Abu ar-Rashtah. In his speech, he addressed the political development denouncing the brutal tyrant rulers of the Muslim lands who execute a foreign agenda in suppressing the Islamic cause calling for the restoration of the Islamic way of life, unmindful of the inevitable fate of every oppressor. He added, "You see very clearly and very aware of the fact that some dictators who were thought to be indestructible were indeed toppled from power. As well the thick wall of fear and terror which no one thought can be destroyed, was indeed shattered...all of which is an eye opener and a reminder that the ultimate end of oppression, terror, and dictatorship is indeed near; despite all brutal measures of torture, killing, and tactics used by the tyrants." He concluded that America and the western countries do not have any goodwill towards the Muslim Ummah. For they are the ones who conspired to destroy the Caliphate state, and divided the Muslim nation into dozens of countries, imposing borders to force disunity among Muslims, and supported and maintained the brutal regimes. Thus the Muslim Ummah must depend on her own resources and to safe-guard against the western states and their local agents' plots to undermine the ongoing revolutions".

Representatives of the Media Offices of the Party from Tunisia, Yemen, Jordan, Egypt, Syria and Lebanon participated in the conference along with a multitude of distinguished guests, comprising politicians and intellectuals who came from Egypt, Syria, Tunisia, Libya, Jordan, Lebanon and Yemen. Those who could not attend in person participated via video.

The speakers clarified the reality of the Ummah's revolution and explained its achievements and the difficulties and obstacles in its struggle to topple the geographical and political impediments that were imposed by the colonial powers after destroying the Khilafah in 1342 AH/1924 AD. The speakers also outlined the way for the Ummah to open a new chapter of distinguished leadership in the world according to Allah's direction.

The Director of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut-Tahrir concluded the conference with the following recommendations:

1. The real revolution must cut all ties with the political, economic and cultural precedents imposed by the West upon the Islamic nation. Failure to do so will ensure the continuity of Western hegemony under the disguise of new forms and slogans. The infamous Machiavellian politics of the West are at their most pernicious when targeting the Muslim world, which is the target of merciless subjugation at the hands of both Israeli war criminals and blood-thirsty agent-regimes that scheme against the Ummah day and night under the smiling gaze of western leaders.
2. Appeasement of the capitals of the West, under the false pretexts of economic necessity and dire straits, is a betrayal of Allah and His Messenger and the believers. Indeed, Allah blessed this Ummah with abundance and material resources that it would be the envy of all the peoples of the world, if only it were managed according to the rules of Islam rather than the sick desires of the existing despots who usurp power by force and calumny.
3. The revolutions must unite into one single revolution aimed at the resumption of the Islamic life embodied in the comprehensive application of the rules of Islam. This requires the Muslims to act as one nation, to the exclusion of all others and the renunciation of man-made idols, flags, slogans, nationalistic allegiances and secular democratic philosophies; all of which share no relation with Islam whatsoever. Only the Islamic relationship can bind the nation together while the secular bond of materialism can offer only further fragmentation and enslavement.
4. This unity is embodied in a political pledge of allegiance to a single Caliph for the entire nation to ensure guardianship of all and the application of the provisions of the Islamic jurisdiction. This political unity will bring glad tidings to the weak and victory to the oppressed, and it will work to spread the values of justice and righteousness while suppressing evil and debauchery.
5. The Party boldly presented itself to the Islamic Ummah from the first day that it embarked upon its practical program of change, which retraces the footsteps of the Prophet Muhammad peace be upon him, and the recent events have confirmed the correctness of what the party has embarked upon, namely that real change requires gaining the loyalty of ... [Cont. on p. 36](#)

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Government Agencies finally Release Dr. Abdul Qayyum From their torture cell after nine months Kayani and Zardari cannot stop Hizb ut-Tahrir and its Shabaab

Following the footsteps of thieves and kidnappers, government agencies have released Dr Abdul Qayyum, a renowned Dental Surgeon from Rahim Yar Khan and member of Hizb ut-Tahrir, in the dead of night. He was abducted by government thugs nine months ago, from his car, at gunpoint, in front of his young daughter. In these nine months, he was subjected to severe physical torture as well as mental torture, in spite of his age. To torture him further, he was not even allowed to read the Quran, so that he would not gain tranquility from reading it. During this time, MI and ISI submitted affidavits in High Court and lied, after taking Oath in the name of Allah (swt), that Dr Abdul Qayyum was not in their custody. These rulers and their agencies do not feel an ounce of shame when lying in the name of Allah and His sacred Book. By descending to such depths of subservience to America, these government thugs have made a mockery of taking oath in the name of Allah. We want to tell these people that you have sold your Dunya and Akhira as well. Even today, Habeebullah, a member of Hizb ut-Tahrir is facing torture by these same government agencies, in their torture cells in Malir cantt, Karachi. May Allah SWT grant him steadfastness and grant the severest of punishment to his abductors. A member of Hizb ut-Tahrir from Peshawar, Professor Irfanullah is also in jail. We want to make it clear to Kayani and Zardari, that in the last nine months, abductions, arrests, torture and raids have not slowed down the struggle of Hizb ut-Tahrir even in the slightest. Instead this harshness has strengthened the resolve and accelerated the work. It is now clear to the Ummah that who these traitors really fear. All those so called friendly opposition parties who want to maintain democracy and present system, are working in line with the agenda of colonialists. Whilst Hizb ut-Tahrir is the only party which is capable of uprooting this system and establishing an Islamic system. And it is sincere in this cause as well. Indeed, the hate and opposition of Abu Jahal and Abu Lahab, gave popularity to the dawah of Prophet Muhammad (SAW). And even today, the blunders of Kayani and Zardari are doing the same. The day is not far, when today's Abu Jahal and Abu Lahabs would be tried for justice. And on that day, the Believers would rejoice. □

Naveed Butt The Official Spokesman of Hizb ut-Tahrir in Pakistan

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General Kiyani confirms he is bankrupt of truth by sending his thugs to kidnap the Official Spokesman of Hizb ut-Tahrir, Naveed Butt

Today, shortly before Jumma prayers, Pakistani secret agencies personnel, in plain clothes, seized Naveed Butt, the Official Spokesman of Hizb ut-Tahrir, in front of his children of tender age, as he was returning home with them from school, bundling him into a double cabin agencies' jeep, whilst leaving his children abandoned in the street. This is the latest in a string of abductions of the shebab of Hizb ut-Tahrir by General Kiyani's agencies, agencies whom he exploits as if they were his personal bodyguard to secure his throne. Kiyani has resorted to force as he does not have a single word of truth on his side, as Hizb ut-Tahrir has consistently exposed him as an American puppet over the Raymond Davis affair, the US attack on Abbotabad, the purging of sincere officers from the armed forces who challenge Kiyani's collaboration with America, the NATO attack on Salala check post, the re-opening of the NATO supply line for occupying forces in Afghanistan and Kiyani's trading with the blood of the jawan in Siachen to subjugate Pakistan before India in the name of "normalization."

Tyrants such as Kiyani describe even a single word of protest, as one without license and permission, and accuse of it being a plot according to a foreign agenda, whilst everyone knows that they themselves are the product of a foreign agenda, sitting night and day with the kuffar, who order and forbid them, to fight Allah and His Messenger and the believers, and to achieve the interests of the kafir colonialists. Kiyani and the other traitor rulers of the Muslim World must know that they can not prevent the march of the Ummah for the establishment of Islam and its state the Khilafah. All over the Muslim World, the Muslims are rising up against the traitors for the sake of Islam and they will not return to sleep or fear.

Hizb ut-Tahrir calls upon the People of Nussrah and Power within the Pakistan armed forces to confirm your loyalty for the sake of Allah, [...Cont. on p. 36](#)

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11/05/2012

No: PR 12020

Pakistan's Hizb ut Tahrir Spokesman abduction issue Islamabad High Court orders that Naveed Butt is not to be handed to Kayani's masters



Today, Islamabad High Court orders that Naveed Butt must be produced on 18th May 2012 in court, after his abductions by government agencies on 11th May, and must not be handed over to foreign agencies. And yesterday in Karachi five more activists of Hizb ut Tahrir were seized by security personnel whilst distributing a press release about the abduction, with the whereabouts of two of them unknown. The contrast between Naveed Butt and the sincere politicians of Hizb ut Tahrir and the real criminals of our time, General Kayani and his coterie of traitors within the military and political leadership could not be greater. Whilst Naveed Butt languished in a torture cell of Kayani's thugs for the so called crime of exposing the colonialist plans against Pakistan, Kayani cavorted with his comrade in arms, American generals, including General John Allen, whose hands are wet with the pure Muslim blood of Pakistani soldiers attacked by NATO and US forces in November 2011, plotting the further expansion of its crusader war within the region, including reaching its major city of Karachi. But rather than stepping aside so that the sincere officers within the armed forces of Pakistan grant the Nussrah to Hizb ut-Tahrir for the establishment of Khilafah, so that the serious work of ending foreign presence on our soil can begin, [...Cont. on p. 37](#)

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Press News

Children's Protest against the Assad Regime "What was their Sin?"

Amman, Jordan. Saturday, May 12, 2012, 21 Jumada II 1433, at 9:30 AM, hundreds of children and women participated in a protest organized by Hizb-ut-Tahrir / Wilayah Jordan, in front of the Syrian embassy protesting against the brutal Assad regime. To denounce the crimes of the brutal regime against civilians, women and children under the slogan, "What was their sin?"

Alongside the children, the blacks flags whisked in the air. Children staged re-enactments of carrying children's corpses and proceeded to carry pictures of tortured and murdered children committed by the Assad regime. Several youth gave speeches denouncing the Syrian regime, raising slogans of support for the children and women in Syria. **"The children of Syria are the spark of the revolution and its support." "The children of Syria call upon you. Will you heed the call?" "My father advised me before being martyred, 'the Khilafah is your protection!'" "Drink our blood if you may since our bloodshed is worthwhile, if it restores Islam."**

The children dressed in blood-drenched death robes performed small skits to demonstrate the calamities of our Syrian children while carrying symbolic dead infant-dolls placed them in front of the Syrian embassy. The enactments were interrupted by the Syrian embassy using loud speakers disrupting the participants.

Media reporters attended the protest, conducted interviews with the head of the Media Office, Mamdouh Qteishat, and with a number of children and women involved in the protest. □





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Press Release (Translated) Strategic Pact "Perpetual Domination of Kuffar"

﴿بَشِّرِ الْمُنَافِقِينَ بِأَنَّ لَهُمْ عَذَابًا أَلِيمًا الَّذِينَ يَتَّخِذُونَ الْكَافِرِينَ أَوْلِيَاءَ مِن دُونِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ أَلْيَبْتَغُونَ عِندَهُمُ
الْعِزَّةَ فَإِنَّ الْعِزَّةَ لِلَّهِ جَمِيعًا﴾

“Bear unto the hypocrites the tidings that for them there is a painful doom; those who choose disbelievers for their friends instead of believers! Do they look for power at their hands? Lo! All power belongs to Allah.”

After facing a defeat in Afghanistan, as they faced defeat in Iraq, America and its crusader allies are trying to sign the strategic pacts in order to veil their defeat and to have a long term influence in the region. Before this, the Bush administration signed the same sort of strategic and security pacts with the Maliki regime of Iraq, in 2007.

The puppet Karzai regime has already signed strategic pacts with invaders like UK, France, Italy and India, while negotiations are going on with some other countries as well. The strategic pact with the US too has almost been finalized and it is intended that the pact will be signed before or during the Chicago conference between the head of the crusader world Obama and his crony Karzai.

The strategic pact is indeed a deceptive tool to give a false impression to the people that it will end the war in Afghanistan but in reality it will continue the bloody war that will continue spilling the blood of the innocent Muslims, will continue injustice, corruption, poverty and barbarism. After signing the pact, Muslims will be used to kill Muslims, which means they will make this a war between Afghans, which will become the curse both in this world and in the hereafter. By doing this, the invaders will get maximum strategic and colonialist benefits by offering minimal assistance.

In parallel to this, a dialogue is going on with some elements of the Mujahideen, accepting of which would mean accepting defeat before the Kufr. Islam demands from us to prepare a high level war capability against the invaders, an intense struggle for the implementation of the ... [Cont. on p. 37](#)

لزوال الدنيا أهون عند الله من دم امرئ مسلم

The demise of the world is easier with Allah than shedding the blood of a Muslim

The Military Junta shed the blood of the youth of Egypt, the Kinanah, for the sake of America and the Jewish entity.



O Muslims, O people of Egypt, the Kinanah:

The Abbasiyah tragedy has uncovered the masks from the faces of the leaders of the military council, brought by America to protect its client regime as an alternative to Mubarak, who was its prime servant in the region, and to guard its interests and those of the Jewish entity.

Today, the pure blood of the youth once again flowed in the streets of Cairo. It was as a sacrifice offered to America by the leaders of this Military Council - a final effort by America to enforce its hegemony on the people of Egypt, the Kinanah, after it realised that replacing the old regime of Mubarak with new faces had failed.

America has not hesitated to drive the country into successive crises and chaos through its agents, the leaders of the military council, giving an excuse for them to use the army to enforce a loyal regime. This is besides resetting the blessed revolution to point zero, as the military junta terrorised and panicked the people of Egypt, the Kinanah, through manufactured crises, a deliberate breakdown in security, and distorting Islam's rulings and systems. They have tried to drive the people to despair and divert them from continuing their revolt to achieve full liberation from their submission to the United States and the Jewish entity.

O Muslims, O people of Egypt, the Kinanah:

What America, the Jewish entity and the whole West fears most is your return to Islam, and the full establishment of the Shar' of your Lord in an Islamic state, the Khilafah State, where you then live a true Islamic life. They also fear that you become significant among other nations, where you carry out the call to Islam and start Jihad to liberate peoples of the earth from worshipping people, utilitarianism and secular capitalism, to the worship of Allah, the One, the Almighty; and to bring them from the hardship of this world to the vastness of the world and the Hereafter; from the injustice of other religions to the justice of Islam. These people are waiting like you to be delivered of the injustice and oppression they suffer; a task entrusted to you by Allah, who prepared you for it as an Islamic Ummah. Allah, the Almighty will ask us

on the Day of Resurrection about these people and that message, and whether we carried it to them. Allah, Ta'ala says:

﴿وَكَذَلِكَ جَعَلْنَاكُمْ أُمَّةً وَسَطًا لِتَكُونُوا شُهَدَاءَ عَلَى النَّاسِ وَيَكُونَ الرَّسُولُ عَلَيْكُمْ شَهِيدًا﴾

“And we made you a just Ummah so that you become witness over mankind and the Messenger a witness over you.”

Therefore, the disbelieving capitalist countries are desperate to keep all of the regimes in the Muslim world as puppet to them, even if by force, shedding the blood of the people, indifferent to any Shar' or a religion, for they do not respect any tie with the believers and nor any covenant.

O Muslims, O people of Egypt, the Kinanah:

Allah, the Almighty says:

﴿وَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا يَسْتَبْدِلْ قَوْمًا غَيْرَكُمْ ثُمَّ لَا يَكُونُوا أَمْثَالَكُمْ﴾

“And if you turn away He will bring a people other than you, and they will not be like you.”

And He, the Almighty says:

﴿وَاللَّهُ غَالِبٌ عَلَىٰ أَمْرِهِ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾

“And Allah has full power and control over His affairs; but most among mankind know it not.”

Indeed Allah has full power and control over His affairs, whether we like it or not, through us or other than us. So, do not let others replace you, for by Allah this is would be a manifest loss. Accepting compromise and the waiver of the full sovereignty of Islam has been labelled "compatibility"; what is flattery and deception in Islam has been labelled a "civil state with Islamic reference"; deceptive terms have been used, such as "the principles of Islamic Shari'ah are the main source of legislation", which really means they are not to be the only source (of legislation)! Such phrases are explicit rejection of Allah as the only One (sovereign) in governance. All of this is a deviation from Islam.

However, America and the disbelieving West don't even accept this waiver and that flattery. They are simply not content with the head of the regime to be an agent for them, but they want the laws and systems applied upon us be mimicked from their systems and their laws, even if it's over the remains of our bodies.

It is truly regrettable that the political forces in Egypt, especially the so-called Islamic ones, have used the Abbasiyah tragedy as an excuse for arguing for a speedy handover of authority to an elected president of the republic - as if these elections in the current secular republican system are the lifeline by

which all problems will be solved and the country delivered into well-being and security. We reiterate: These elections will change nothing as long as the current republican system, which the next president will accept, continues. Rather, the duty is to uproot this system and establish in its place the guided Islamic Khilafah.

Dear officers and soldiers in the army of Egypt, the Kinanah:

Allah, the Almighty says:

﴿وَمَنْ يَقْتُلْ مُؤْمِنًا مُتَعَمِّدًا فَجَزَاؤُهُ جَهَنَّمُ خَالِدًا فِيهَا وَغَضِبَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَعَنَهُ وَأَعَدَّ لَهُ عَذَابًا عَظِيمًا﴾

“And whoever kills a believer intentionally, his recompense is Hell Fire to abide therein for ever, and Allah's wrath upon him, and He prepared for him a great punishment.”

And the Messenger, peace be upon him says: **"If two Muslims met in fight, the murderer and the murdered will be in the Hellfire."** You should know that the demise of the whole world is easier with Allah than shedding the blood of a Muslim. So, do not help the enemy of the deen in their plot, and do not become a tool for shedding the blood of your brothers, lest you carry some of the blame for this bloodshed, and you come on the Day of Resurrection with shame and loss.

It is more worthy for you to help Islam and establish its Shar' completely, comprehensively and undiminished by establishing its Khilafah State in Egypt so as to become the centre of Khilafah in the Muslim world, and the nucleus of the great Islamic State that unites the Muslim countries and eliminates the artificial borders of Sykes-Picot. Hizb ut-Tahrir works for this, and it calls upon you and all the people of Egypt, the Kinanah, to teach America, Jews and the disbelieving West an eloquent lesson, which would make them forget the whispers of Satan. This would be by supporting it and working together with it to establish the Khilafah on the model of the prophethood, the good news of which was conveyed by our Prophet (SAW) in the sound hadith narrated by Ahmad, **"and then it will be Khilafah on the model of prophethood."**

﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَّهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ وَاعْلَمُوا أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَحُولُ بَيْنَ الْمَرْءِ وَقَلْبِهِ وَأَنَّهُ إِلَيْهِ تُحْشَرُونَ﴾

“O you who believe! Respond to Allah, and to the Messenger when he calls you to that which brings life to you, and know that Allah stands between man and his heart, and to him you will be gathered together!”□

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وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ
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Hizb ut Tahrir protest against the visit of Hilary Clinton Resist Strategic And Security Relationship With Crusader America

Hizb ut Tahrir organized a demonstration today protesting against the visit of Hilary Clinton on 05 May, 2012. The demonstration started from High Court and finished outside the national Press Club, where a member of Hizb ut Tahrir delivered the following message:

Allah (SWT) has forbidden the Muslims from taking kafir-mushrik imperialist states as allies,

﴿ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَتَّخِذُوا الْيَهُودَ وَالنَّصَارَىٰ أَوْلِيَاءَ بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ بَعْضٍ وَمَن يَتَوَلَّهُمْ مِنْكُمْ فإِنَّهُ
مِنَهُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ ﴾ (المائدة: 51)

"O you who believe! Take not the Jews and Christians as Auliya' (allies, protectors, helpers), they are but Auliya' of each other. And if any from amongst you does that, then surely, he is one of them. Verily, Allah guides not the Zalimun. [Al-Ma'idah: 51]

He (SWT) has informed us that the imperialists do not desire to see any good for the Muslim Ummah,

﴿ مَا يَوَدُّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ وَلَا الْمُشْرِكِينَ أَنْ يُنَزَّلَ عَلَيْكُمْ مِنْ خَيْرٍ مِنْ رَبِّكُمْ وَاللَّهُ يَخْتَصُّ
بِرَحْمَتِهِ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ ذُو الْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ ﴾ (البقرة: 105)

"Neither those disbelieve among the People of the Book (Jews and Christians) nor Al-Mushrikun like that there should be sent down unto you any good from your Lord. But Allah chooses for His mercy whom He wills. And Allah is the Owner of great bounty." [Al-Baqarah: 105]

Allah (SWT) has warned us of the harmful consequences of cooperation with the imperialists,

﴿ إِنْ يَتَّقَوْكُمْ يُكُونُوا لَكُمْ أَعْدَاءً وَيَبْسُطُوا إِلَيْكُمْ أَيْدِيَهُمْ وَأَلْسِنَتَهُم بِالسُّوءِ وَوَدُّوا لَوْ تَكْفُرُونَ ﴾

"Should they gain the upper hand over you, they would behave to you as enemies, and stretch forth their hands and their tongues against you with evil, and they desire that you should disbelieve." [Al-Mumtahina: 2]

O Muslims!

Your rulers do not pay any heed to the ayat of Allah (SWT). That is why the rulers in this democratic system, Sheikh Hasina, Khaleda Zia and the so-

called civil society will be hosting and dining with Hilary Clinton, the chief executioner of crusader America's foreign policy. The purpose of Hilary's visit is to institutionalize strategic and security relationship with Bangladesh, as well as consolidate America's hold over the political and economic affairs of the country. Americans have been using various guises, sometimes in the name of counter terrorism, sometimes in the name of promoting democracy and development, sometimes in the name of military-to-military relations etc, for carrying out their killings of Muslims, pillaging our wealth all over the world and dominating over the Ummah. They have now fixed their sight on Bangladesh due to the Islamic revival in the region and the growth of China. Their objective is to subjugate Bangladesh in order to consolidate their foothold over this region, under the guise of strategic and security partnership. That the so-called strategic and security relationship means nothing except subjugation is evidenced from the strategic and security partnerships the Americans have formed in Iraq through their agent Nouri al-Maliki, in Afghanistan through their agent Karzai and in Pakistan through their agents Zardari-Kayani-Gilani.

O Muslims!

The Americans are fast advancing towards achieving their goal with the help of traitor Hasina and the democratic regime. Will you allow this process to continue? Will you accept to become America's slaves like your rulers? No! You must never do that. So protest against Hilary's visit. Resist the strategic and security relationship with crusader America. And without any delay, join the struggle to remove this imperialist dominated democratic system of abductions, killings, hartal, confrontation...and re-establish the Khilafah which will protect the country's sovereignty and security, build a strong army and modernize the economic based on heavy industry, by removing the imperialists' domination over the country's ruling, economy and military.

O People of Power!

What is the matter with you? Does your blood not boil at the sight of the enemy who burns the Qur'an, throws it in the toilet and urinates on your martyrs? In your vein runs blood of the Prophet's companion Khalid ibn Walid, the blood of the conqueror Bakhtiyar Khalji and the mujahid Shahjalal. Will you then silently accept your subjugation to this enemy? You have two choices in front of you - either to be disgraced as a Slave Army or to be honoured as the Ansar Army by becoming the first to provide the nusrah in re-establishing the Khilafah. So overthrow Hasina and the current regime before it is too late or Allah (SWT) replaces you with others who are more deserving of honour.

﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَّهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ﴾ (الأنفال: 24)

"O you who believe! Answer the call of Allah and His Messenger when he calls you to that which gives you life" [Al-Anfal: 24]□

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The colonialist crusaders and their Agents want to silent the voice of Haq even in Masajid

The crusader colonialists through their agent rulers are trying to uproot Islam from the Afghan society in minute details. This evil objective was very obvious from the previous actions of the government and now the spokesman of the NDS (National Directorate of Security) and Deputy Minister of Haj & Aqaf have put a stamp of acceptance on it.

The spokesman of the NDS Lutfullah Mashal said in one of his statement that the Ulema (scholars) in the Masajid should not narrate the Ayahs of Quran that are against Jews and Christian, although a large portion of the Quran talks about the mistakes of Bani Israel. They are asking the Imams to do what the Greek and Roman Empires asked the Jewish priests to do before the time of Isa (as), i.e. to conceal the truths of Allahs revelation. The Jews were cursed for this reason by Allah. Similarly, the Deputy Minister of the Hajj & Auqaf Daie ul Haq Aabed said in one of his interviews to the Tolo News TV channel that the Imams of Masajid should not say anything that is against the national interest and whosoever is caught doing this will be charged with crime and will be punished for it.

All this is happening in the so-called "Islamic Democratic Afghanistan" where you are free to preach anything but not Islam. After killing hundreds and thousands of Muslims in Afghanistan the colonialist, in collaboration with the traitor rulers are trying to control Islam inside Masajid so that they could stop the voice of truth.

We would like to assure the corrupt government of Afghanistan and their colonist masters that we would keep on exposing their evil plans to the Muslims of Afghanistan. We would also warn them that in the khilafah state, which is not far away, they will find no refuge along with their colonialist masters. In the hereafter they will face Allah (swt), having a huge flag of treachery in their hands. No matter how much you strive and struggle you cannot extinguish the light of Islam.

﴿يُرِيدُونَ لِيُطْفِئُوا نُورَ اللَّهِ بِأَفْوَاهِهِمْ وَاللَّهُ مُتِمُّ نُورِهِ وَلَوْ كَرِهَ الْكَافِرُونَ﴾

“Their intention is to extinguish Allah's light (by blowing) with their mouths: but Allah will complete (the Revelation of) His light, Even though the unbelievers may detest (it).” □

Question and Answer: Mali

Question:

A military coup was announced in Mali on 22nd March, 2012 by the junior rank officers against President Amadou (Ahmedou) Toumani Touri. The coup announcement on the Mali Television by Lieutenant Ahmadou Konari, the spokesman of what is referred to by the revolutionaries as the National Committee for the Restoration of Democracy and State (CNRDR), stated that "...the Committee decided to assume its responsibility and put an end to Amadou (Ahmadou) Toumani Toure's incompetent regime". It may be noted that President Tomani Toure's second term in office was to come to an end next month and he is not allowed to stand for a third term in office under the constitution...

So what prompted these officers to hurriedly oust the president through a coup instead of waiting for his constitutional term to end next month? Then, is it a local event or does it have an international aspect to it? If so, what is it? May Allah reward you.

Answer:

Yes, the present president Amadou (Ahmedou) Toumani Touri was elected in 2002 and reelected in 2007, and his second term was to end next month when

end next month when elections were due to take place on 29th of next month. Under the Mali constitution enacted in 1992, a president cannot seek his re-election for a third term. Also, the ousted president did not express his intention to seek re-election for a third term in office and thus can not be accused of having violated the constitution. This clearly means that the coup did not have any justification on the pretext of what they referred to as "removal of an incompetent president" because his term anyway was to end after a month and such chaotic actions were uncalled for!

However, observing the issue from all its aspects, it becomes clear that these officers have been encouraged by an international side to carry out the coup in order to prevent elections from taking place for electing a new president which were scheduled for next month, and create a new political equation...In order to understand as to how they could achieve this and what international side is behind it, one needs to consider the following:

1: Coup leader Captain Ahmadou Haya Sanogo clarified in his interview with the Spanish Agencia EFE on 23rd March, 2012 and described the coup staged by him and his colleagues as "a necessary step and that he intends to hand over power to a new government which will be formed after consultations

between all forces in the country after the ouster of president Ahmadou Toure. He expressed his intention and said that is not interested in remaining in power and along with his colleagues carried out the coup to usher in change in Mali after ten years of a corrupted regime...and that there were no opportunities for consultations with the ousted president and hence the the military leadership decided to take up arms. He stressed that everything was getting from bad to worse". Thus the words of the coup leader are not convincing because the elections are to take place in the next month and his coup is not justified unless he intends to prevent elections from place and so that no undesirable leadership comes to power. Also there is no apparant clash between the various political forces and election pcesses have run normally since 1992...

2: Early reactions to the coup from France have been sharp which ahve condemned it severely and its foreign minister Alain Juppe emphasised the need for holding elections as soon as possible and declared that his country has "suspended all relations with Mali, however will continue to provide humanitarian assistance...and will continue our work to counter terrorism".[AFP: 22.03.2012].

France has followed the European Union and Michael Mann, the spokesman for Catherine Ashton, the EU Foreign Policy Chief issued a statement saying: " "We condemn the military takeover of power and the

suspension of the constitution. Constitutional rule should be restored as soon as possible." [AFP: 22.03.2012].

On the same day, France and Britain moved quickly and secured a resolution from the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) severely condemning the coup and calling for restoration of constitutional order and elected government...this was followed by British Foreign Secretary Mark Lyall Grant who occupies the UNSC rotating presidency of the Security Council saying: "The Constitutional regime and a democratically eleceted government should be restored in Mali... and that the 15 UNSC members severely condemn the coup in Mali." This indicates that the coup is not in France's interest as well as others in the EU who have allied with France in order to protect their influence in Africa, on the contrary, the coup is against their influence.

3: As for the American reaction and its opposition to the coup which came after France and the EU response was rather "floating and tentative"! The US State Department spokesperson Victoria Nuland said: " The current situation is unclear and develops fast...We believe that grievances should be addressed through dialogue and not through violence."[BBC: 22.03.2012]. United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon also expressed similarly in his statement calling for "calm and that

grievances are resolved democratically." Thus these statements by the spokesmen indicate that the US is unperterbed by the coup and the UN Secreatary-General has followed the US policy on the issue, rather these statements point to US's tacit support when its State Dept. Spooks person says that "We believe that grievanc-es should be addressed through dia-logue and not through violence", and Ban Ki-moon's statement indicate that the US treats them both equally and gives them the right to rebel and stage the coup because of their in-justices and grievances according to it.

4: The US had recently begun work to estblsh its influence in Mali by signing agreements with it to train Malian armed forces to fight terrorism as well as conduct practic-es for fighting rebel groups. It used to select officers and send them to the US for training. On 24.03.2012, the Times website reported informed US sources that an American diplomat who asked not to be named told jour-nalists that: "the coup leader Captian Amadou (Ahmadou) Haya Sanogo was selected from among the elite officers by the US embassy to re-ceive anit-terrorist training in the United States". He added that: "Sanogo travlled several times to the US on special missions...".

5: While France suspended politi-cal, military and economic coop-eration with Mali as weel as aid to it, the US did not announce any such suspension of assistance which are

to the tune of 137 million dollors an-nually. Further, Victoria Nuland, the US State Dept. Spokesperson stated that: "her country has not taken the decision to suspend US aid to Mali". [Al-Jazeera 23.03.2012]. This indi-cates the extent to which France is is disturbed by the coup and points to its unhappiness, while it indicates that the US is undistubed by the events and in fact tacitly supports the coup.

6: All that we have mentioned points to that the US is behind the coup that took place in Mali and this is to exercise its influence over the Islamic land as replace France which had earlier colonised it and continues to hold influence over it. America in-tends to prevent the coming electoral process in Mali because the political establishment is pro-France. Thus through this coup, the tables have been turned over heads of French agents who toe the French policies. This coup has tied Mali to the US since the US controls the "miliary" movement and makes it difficult for the old political class allied to France to overcome the present situation, and at the most they can hope to participate ineffectively in the new set up under US influence.

7: Mali is an Islamic land whose people entered Islam hundreds of years back and whose overwhelming majority is Muslim which is about 90% of its population. Towards the end of the ninteenth century, the French colonialists occupied it and declared it to be its part in 1904. It as

granted nominal independence in the year 1960. Mali is rich in mineral wealth like gold, phosphates, bauxite, iron, uranium and several other minerals. Of late it has been caught in the internal rivalries between the old "European coloniser France" and the new colonialist "America"... Thus this Islamic land became the target for all greedy eyes and this is because the Muslims are disunited and ruled by systems other than Islam, so instead of working to restore the Khilafah State which unites all Muslim groups, strengthens them from their present weaknesses, one sees the Muslims divided under more than countries and states whose rulers do have no concern for peoples' issue but they realise the objectives and interests of the kuffar colonialists... This has further weakened the Muslims who have been deprived of the very base that strengthens them, and different nations are inviting each others to exploit them like one invites others for food on the dining table. Earlier the Muslims were the harbingers of all things good for the world who carried the call of the Truth through Da'wah and Jihad... the Prophet (saw) truthfully said:

"يُوشِكُ الْأَمَمُ أَنْ تَدَاعَى عَلَيْكُمْ كَمَا تَدَاعَى الْأَكْلَةُ إِلَى قَصْعَتِهَا، فَقَالَ قَائِلٌ: وَمِنْ قَلِيلٍ نَحْنُ يَوْمِنَدِي؟ قَالَ: "بَلْ أَنْتُمْ يَوْمِنَدِي كَثِيرٌ، وَلِكَيْتُمْ غَتَاءٌ كَغَتَاءِ السَّيْلِ، وَلَيَنْزَعَنَّ اللَّهُ مِنْ صُدُورِ عَدُوِّكُمْ الْمَهَابَةَ مِنْكُمْ، وَلَيَقْذِفَنَّ اللَّهُ فِي قُلُوبِكُمُ الْوَهْنَ"، فَقَالَ قَائِلٌ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، وَمَا الْوَهْنُ؟ قَالَ: "حُبُّ الدُّنْيَا، وَكَرَاهِيَةُ الْمَوْتِ" أَخْرَجَهُ أَبُو دَاوُدَ عَنْ ثَوْبَانَ...

"Soon a time will come upon you,

when the nations will call one another against you, like a group of people sitting around a platter of food." The Sahaabah asked, "Ya Rasoolullaah, will we be few in number that day?" He (saw) replied. "No, you wont be few in number, rather you will number MANY...BUT you will be like the floating rubbish, upon floods of water. When such a time shall come, Allaah, The Almighty, will extract your fear from the hearts of your enemies, and He, (swt), will cast Wahn into your hearts." The Sahaabah asked ke, "Ya Rasoolullaah, whats Wahn?" He (saw) replied, "The Love of the dunia and the fear of death." Abu Dawood.

So let us abandon the love of the world and let us give up fear of death in the path of Allah (swt) and work steadfastly to achieve the glad tidings of the Prophet (saw) regarding the return of the Khilafah as he (saw) said:

.. "تُمْ تَكُونُ مُلْكًا جَبْرِيَّةً، فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ، ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا، ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَى مِثَاجِ نُبُوَّةٍ «ثُمَّ سَكَتَ. أَخْرَجَهُ أَحْمَدُ."

"Then there will be an oppressive rule, and things will be as Allah wishes them to be. Then Allah will end it when He wishes. Then there will be a Khilafah according to the method of Prophethood." (Ahmad)

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**Oh! The Muslim Soldiers:
Is there not a wise person
amongst you, who is concerned
about the condition of Islam &
Muslims, their modesty and honour?**



The Zionist Jews despatched their Air force to fire bullets on Muslim women in Beit Hanoun that killed and injured them, and attacked the mosques and damaged them, destroyed farms and killed the young ones and elderly alike in their homes.... The Muslim rulers are surveying the damage and counting the dead and the injured. These Muslim rulers are relaxedly watching the brutality of the Zionist Jews as they kill the Muslim women with bullets. These Muslim rulers are neither shaken nor are their hearts pounding. Their tongues move only to blame the Muslim women protestors at the killing but these rulers do not blame the Zionist Jews who killed the women!

Oh Muslims! Oh Muslim Soldiers!

Has the time not come that you come out of the bonds of these rulers who have turned you to the humiliation and disgrace, instead of moving you to the battle fields? How the armies of Egypt, Jordon, Syria and Lebanon are camping at the borders of Palestine in silence that resembles the silence of death, and watching with their own eyes the Zionist Jews chasing the Muslim women? Egypt shamelessly seeks permission from the Zionist Jews to send its border forces to Egypt's own district of Rafah, only to prevent those in Rafah from helping their brothers who reside in the Palestinian part of Rafah! Whereas these very soldiers should have protected the residents from the brutal and barbaric attacks of the Zionist Jews.

Is there not amongst you one who is eager to seek the pleasure of Allah (swt) and Jannah? Is there not amongst you one who is keen for the honour of this world and the hereafter? Is there not amongst you one who is eager to seek and is willing to sell himself in exchange for the pleasure of Allah (swt) and is willing to stand up against these rulers and their evil and thus help Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw) and thus have his reward with Allah (swt) written in the white books with Him? Is there not a Mu'tasim among you for these women to avenge the brutality of the enemy?

Oh Muslims! Oh Muslim Soldiers!

Your enemy is not all powerful; his strength is only because of the betrayal of those who commands authority over you. The Zionist Jews have never won a battle that was fought as it should be, but were 'victorious' only in staged managed battles. The book of Allah (swt) also testifies:



﴿وَأِنْ يُقَاتِلُواكُمْ يُوَلُّوكُمُ الْأَدْبَارَ ثُمَّ لَا يُنصَرُونَ﴾

“If they come out to fight you, they will show their backs and no help shall they get.” [TMQ: Al Imran:111]

And the hadeeth of our Prophet (saw) stands as a witness to this, as reported by Muslim: **“When you fight the Jews, it will overwhelm them.”**

Or as in another riwayat (narration), **“You fight Jews and will overwhelm them.”**

As also the testimony of the so called battles stand as a witness to these mock battles:

In the 1948 war, a group of soldiers who truly believed in Allah, refused to surrender and pull back from the wall of Al Quds and were persistent and finally victorious.

In the 1968 battle of Al Karamah, a group of soldiers rebelled against the order of their ruler and entered the battle to help the resistance in Al Karamah, they won and forced the enemy to flee leaving behind a few battle tanks in which the operating soldiers were tied in seats to prevent them from deserting!

At the start of the 1973 war, a group of Egyptian soldiers ran through the Jewish forts at the Bar Lev line. Also the Syrian soldiers penetrated border 48 in Golan despite the huge arsenal of the heavily-armed Zionist Jews. But for the betrayal by Sadat of the Dafurs war, and the letting down of soldiers by Hafez al Assad in Golan, allowed the Americans to enter the war through the negotiations table and not in the actual battle front. If it had not been for this backroom maneuvering, the results of the battle would certainly have been different.

And of course the events of July 2006, the Israeli attacks, when a few believing soldiers confronted the violent Jews in spite of the enormous difference in preparedness and equipment.

The Zionist Jews are covered in humiliation and misery, if the Zionist Jews had ever expected that a single country and not all the surrounding countries was able to confront and humble them. They would have not dared to mount an attack on it and their occupation of Palestine would have shaken by the tremor, and their fate would have been the fate of their similar ones earlier. Their dwellings destroyed by their own hands and by the believers; and the luckier ones among them who escaped bodily harm would have ran away from Palestine.

Truly, Oh Muslims, The strength of your enemies is due to the betrayal of your leaders, this is not the case in Palestine alone, but holds true for the Muslim lands that are occupied by the Kuffar. In fact they could occupy the-



se lands only because of the treachery of these rulers and their associates who failed to help the Muslims. Take Kashmir for instance which is occupied by India and Pakistan fails to liberate it. On the contrary Pakistan is now coming down heavily on the Mujahideen movements in Kashmir! Take Chechnya which is under Russian occupation while the Central Asian countries and Azerbaijan are sitting pretty doing nothing about liberating it from the clutches of brutal Russia. And Afghanistan could only be occupied because of the complicity, conspiracy and betrayal by the ruler of Pakistan. Then, was it possible for America to occupy the rich land of Iraq if Syria, Iran and Turkey moved to help Iraq? Would the Gulf statelets be what they are without having surrendered their lands and making them the storehouse for the American and British arsenal and launching pads for the enemy to attack?

Oh Muslims! Oh Muslim Soldiers!

The Muslim armies are the sons of the Muslims, their ardour and strength springs from the Muslims. How is it that you are unable to stand up with the Muslims in rooting out these rulers who kneel shamelessly before the enemy? Why do you not act to liberate your lands and restore your honour and protect the sanctities of Muslims? Your desire and the aspirations of Muslims looking to this life alone is only leading to a life of shame, humiliation, disgrace and subjugation. It's a miserable life if only you realise it.

Hizb ut-Tahrir calls upon you Oh people, it calls upon you with all its force.

Oh soldiers, to answer the distressing cries of women and yelling of the children and the elderly. Hizb ut-Tahrir urges you to move to the battle fields and seek revenge from those responsible and remove from your path all those who have bounded you- the rulers and their cronies. This will save you from the wrath of Allah (swt) and his punishment on the day when no wealth and sons will be of help except those who come to Allah (swt) with a pure and untainted heart.

Hizb ut-Tahrir urges you to stand by it to re-establish the Khilafah..... so that you become the rightly guided. The first leadership of the Khulafa' al Rashidoon, al Mu'tasim and Salahudeen. Will then the kuffar cast a dirty eye on the women and remain safe? Let alone kill them with their bullets. Only then will you become the best of Ummah who are raised for the people.

﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَّهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ﴾

“O ye who believe! Give your response to Allah and His Apostle, when he calleth you to that which will give you life.” [TMQ:Anfal:24]□

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Response to the Article, “Why Do They Hate Us?
The real war on women is in the Middle East”

Dear Ms. Eltahawy,

I write in regards to your article entitled, “Why Do They Hate Us? The real war on women is in the Middle East” published on the 23rd April in Foreign Policy magazine.

At this historical moment in world history, where there is a momentous opportunity to create real change in the Arab world, one would have hoped that your opportunity to write a featured article for an internationally re-known magazine regarding the continued oppression facing women in the region, would have presented fresh ideas about new principles and models of governance to secure the dignity and rights of women in the Middle East. However, unfortunately I found in your essay, content that reflected nothing more than pages taken from a neo-colonial manual of the region.

Indeed, your accusations of Islam’s inherent misogyny and Arab men’s innate hatred and hyper-sexualized view of women, was akin to a re-incarnation of Lord Cromer’s, “Modern Egypt” and the works of orientalism of bygone years with their

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claims of Islam’s unquestionable oppression of women, the debauchery of the ‘Exotic East’, and the portrayal of Arabs as barbaric, immoral individuals and the embodiment of licentiousness. However, as history later revealed, this narrative was specifically engineered by colonialists of the time to give moral legitimacy for their occupation and colonization of the Muslim world. They argued that their continued domination over the region was a necessity to “liberate Muslim women” from the oppression of Islam, while all the time denying women in their own countries basic rights. Cultural imperialism has always been the path to maintaining colonial political and economic control of nations.

This is a narrative that continues to be propagated by current day Western governments to legitimize colonial wars as with Afghanistan, justified in part under the premise of ‘saving’ the region’s women from the ‘evils’ of Islamic rule, leading to the deaths of thousands – including women – all to continue

their control over the resources of the region. The question therefore is not why Arab men hate Muslim women but why do you, such that you would happily promote a narrative that leads to bombs being dropped on Muslim women and their families - in the name of 'liberating Muslim women'?

At this time where Western-backed dictators have been toppled, challenging the centuries-long oppressive manipulation of the politics and economics of the Arab world by Western governments, this is surely a time to discard narratives spurned by the motives of cultural colonization rather than replicating the colonial script in a 'native' voice. It is replication of such scripts that provides ammunition for the continued intervention in the Muslim lands by Western states. Until the Muslim world rejects the Western narrative of how to view our history, our Islamic culture, and ourselves, we will never truly be liberated as a people.

In addition, it is not Arab men who hate Muslim women, rather it's die-hard secular liberalists who perpetuate – as you have – the false, worn out stereotype that Muslim women are weak, helpless beings, willing to be 'controlled' by men, unaware that they are being oppressed by their own culture, and unable to think for themselves or make their own independent life choices without male influence. It is patronizing and an insult to the millions of women across the Arab region and the world who have embraced the beliefs and tenets of Islam through their own study and convictions. This stereotype, that portrays Muslim women as powerless, voiceless, submissive beings, is one that has served-well the interests of dictators.

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However, these uprisings have illustrated the exact opposite. Muslim women, the majority adorned in Islamic dress, some in niqab, raising the chants of "La ilaha illallah" and "Allahu Akbar", stood firm against their autocratic regimes, placing themselves in the front-line of attack from security forces, prepared to confront the tanks and bullets. This typecast that relegates Muslim women as submissive creatures is therefore an insult to those women who have sacrificed their lives in these uprisings. These were strong-willed women, taking their destiny into their own hands, whose voices toppled the thrones of tyrants, submitting to no-one but their Creator, and unwilling to take oppression or injustice from any one. Their actions crushed the false imagery of the Muslim woman propagated by the West for so long. And herein lies the uncomfortable truth for secularists – that these were women clear in

their convictions that it was not Islam that oppressed them but dictators buttressed by Western secular governments, and governing systems based upon the laws of human beings.

You accuse Islam of viewing women as a sexualized being and an “Insatiable Temptress”, while it is liberal values such as sexual freedom and freedom of ownership that has licensed the marketing of women as sexualized beings in adverts and billboards for commercial profit. It is liberal states that have allowed the beauty, fashion, entertainment, and pornography industries to consistently bring society’s attention to the sexual aspect of women, exploiting their feminine charms, and presenting them as seductresses to increase sales. It is this process of feeding men a daily diet of degradation of women and dehumanizing her to an object of their desires that leads to problems such as sexual harassment, rape, and even discrimination. It is therefore not Muslim men who hate women, rather it’s staunch advocates of liberalism who fail to see how their values have licensed the exploitation and devaluing of women globally.

Islamic texts never described the woman as a ‘sexualized being’, rather as a human being who is no different from the man in her humanity. The Prophet (saw) said, **“Assuredly, women are the twin halves of men.”** Furthermore, Islam does not hold the femme fatale view of the woman as a temptress whose mere presence in society is a cause of immorality, corruption, and instability, rather the Qur’an describes the woman as ‘muhsana’ – a fortress against evil, who is able to keep men upright in their behaviour. The Islamic view is that both the man and the woman have the potential of provoking the sexual desire in one another. Therefore it sets down strict laws and limits, including the dress-code, the segregation of the sexes, the lowering of the gaze when there is attraction, and the prohibition of fornication and adultery to direct the fulfillment of the sexual instinct to marriage alone and hence to that which is of benefit to society rather than a cause of disruption and harm. All this, reflects the wisdom of an ideology that understands that to maintain strong family units, to protect the rights of children, and to ensure healthy cooperation between men and women that is based upon mutual respect and not marred by sexual distractions requires strict regulation and responsibility. This is in contrast to the ‘free-for all’ in lib-

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eral societies that promote the pursuit of individualistic desires that has sown devastation on family life and generated social and moral chaos, such that in the UK today, 40% of children are born out of wedlock, many not even knowing their fathers, and over a million single mothers struggling to raise their children alone. It is all this that has oppressed women, men, and children!

And while the social and moral fabric of liberal societies are tearing apart at their seams, you see fit to cherry-pick isolated Islamic laws and through them issue misleading judgements and condemning verdicts accusing the religion of oppressing women while conveniently overlooking the elevated status that Islam affords the woman and the fact that Islam led the world in establishing full rights of citizenship for women 1400 years ago.

There is no denying that women face heinous acts of oppression in the Arab and Muslim world that need to be eradicated from our lands, including forced marriage, violence, forced female genital mutilation, sexual harassment, virginity tests inflicted upon political opponents, and young girls such as Amina Filali forced to marry their rapists. However, such appalling non-Islamic practices have either been sanctioned directly by staunchly secular states such as Egypt and Morocco, or allowed to flourish for decades under the watch of secular systems that have demonstrated a total disregard for women's dignity and wellbeing – not Islamic ones! In addition, the influx of liberal values through the Western-based beauty, fashion, and entertainment industries in countries such as Egypt and Tunisia that presents the woman as an object of men's desires has had a similar impact as within Western liberal states in devaluing women, resulting in the rise of sexual harassment in the country. It is therefore the "toxic-detachment of politics from religion" that has allowed men to treat and legislate laws against women according to their whims and desires rather than the dictates of Islam - for the Islamic texts are clear about the elevated manner by which men should view and treat all women. The Qur'an states, **"Revere the wombs that bore you, for God is ever watchful over you" [An-Nisa: 1]**, while the Prophet(saw) said, **"The best of you are the ones who are best to their women"** and, **"O people, your wives have a certain right over you and you have certain rights over them. Treat them well and be kind to them for they are your partners and committed helpers"**. It is therefore the absence of Islam in mentalities and governance that leads to the oppression of women, not its presence!

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Furthermore, Muslim women are weary of the consistent use of Saudi Arabia, a British installed regime, as some kind of template for the oppression of women under Islamic rule. This is a state that has for decades pursued a charade of implementing Shariah to maintain popular support while in reality enforcing laws from the whims of Kings and despots. Where in the Shariah does it prohibit women from driving cars? Where in the Shariah does it say that a woman is not permitted to vote? Where in the Shariah does it say that an absolute monarchy is an acceptable model of governance to rule a state? The answer is – NOWHERE! So these false clichéd templates of Islamic rule deserve the same fate as dictators – to be discarded into history – for the only acceptable model of governance to be presented as an example of the status and rights of women under Islamic rule is the Khilafah system.

Ultimately, after your rant against Islam and Arab societies, you offer no real solution to the women's oppression that you described, other than venting anger at Muslim men. And herein lies the consistent problem with Western-orientated feminists, that other than taking the stick to Islam, there is a repeated failure to present a clear strategy by which to address the abuses that women face globally. Not surprising, for the 'man-bashing' Western feminism based upon secular liberal values, and espousing the Western concept of gender equality has failed spectacularly to secure the dignity of women within its own societies – even after over 100 years of struggle. It made the genders adversaries rather than partners in challenging injustices against women. So why are you so insistent on peddling this worn-out faulty product to the Muslim world?

You express your concern about the rise of Islam as a new political vision for the Arab world and what this will mean to the rights of women. However, it was under the secular regimes of Egypt, Tunisia, Libya, Syria, Algeria, Morocco, Yemen as well as others that women faced and continue to suffer the most brutal repression under autocratic leaderships. It is under such secular systems that they faced oppressive hijab and niqab bans, rampant political corruption, failing economies, soaring unemployment, rising crime and insecurity, crumbling public services, widespread poverty and illiteracy, and increasing family breakdown. This is a failed system that has "treated not just ½ of humanity as animals but the whole of it". And while you and Western governments may be fearful about the rise of political Islam in the region, the majority of women in the Arab and Muslim world do not share your concern, for poll after poll reflect significant majorities of women in the region turning to an Islamic system implementing the Shariah laws as the model of governance to secure their rights, status, and liberation from oppression. These are

women who recognize their problems remain unsolved by the secular liberal system and are seeking a true alternative that can create real change.

On the 10th March 2012, the women of Hizb ut-Tahrir organized a historic international women's conference in Tunisia, gathering over 1000 women from across the world to present the Khilafah system of governance, based comprehensively and purely upon the Islamic Shariah laws, as a new political vision for the Arab and Muslim world, able to bring real change and improvement to the lives of the region's women. Women, including influential female opinion-makers from numerous countries, including Tunisia, Egypt, Yemen, Libya, Jordan, Lebanon, Sudan, Turkey, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, attended this unprecedented event to express the growing support of women within their countries for the establishment of this state in the region. Presentations discussed how the Khilafah offered practical and sound solutions to the multitude of political, economic, educational, legal, and social

problems afflicting women across the region. They also highlighted the unique Islamic laws and policies that provide a clear strategy to protect the harmony of the family unit, establish healthy cooperation between men and women within society, and ensure that women's dignity and full rights of citizenship are secured always. This includes the prohibition of the sexualization of women and the exploitation of their beauty that compro-

mises their status as well as the use of the education, media, political, and judicial systems of the state to nurture the view of respect towards women across society and eradicate any oppressive non-Islamic traditional views or practices. It is therefore the Khilafah state, implementing a purely Islamic constitution that offers a lifeline to women out of the misery and oppression caused by secular and man-made governing systems.

Finally, I would agree with you that political revolutions need to be accompanied by revolutions of thought to succeed in addressing abuses against women. However, this requires for us to rid ourselves from worn-out colonial narratives that facilitate the continued colonization of our lands rather than embracing wholesale the flawed colonial diagnosis and cure for the cause of women's oppression in the region. It requires us to free ourselves from the

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belief that our progress lies in adopting the failed foreign secular system that has shown itself to be incapable of solving human problems effectively. And it requires us to liberate ourselves from colonized minds and the notion of the inadequacy of our own Islamic culture and the superiority of others.

Furthermore, we need to understand the true causes of women's subjugation in our lands which is primarily due to the oppressive non-Islamic regimes and systems that plague the region. Simply fighting for the right of women to be president or more seats for women in new parliaments will do nothing to improve the lives of ordinary women in the Muslim world, as we have seen in Pakistan, Bangladesh, Indonesia,

Sudan, Afghanistan, and Iraq that have either had female leaders or celebrated higher quotas of women in parliament than many Western states. The status and rights of women have not improved in such countries due to incompetent, repressive systems of governance based upon flawed human laws. Indeed, it is state-sanctioned oppression that provides a breeding ground for the oppression in streets and homes and it is full excision of secular and man-made models of governance in exchange for the Khilafah that will provide the cure.

The real war on women is therefore not in the Middle East. Rather, the real war on women is being waged by the misogynistic capitalist, secular, liberal system that has caused widespread global poverty for women due to flawed economic policies; a system that has installed and maintained dictatorships across the world to serve economic interests; a system that has waged colonial wars leading to the death of tens of thousands of women to secure resources; and a system that has licensed the objectification, exploitation, and devaluing of women for profit-sake. Until liberal feminists such as yourself acknowledge this unquestionable fact and stop erroneously blaming Islam for injustices against women, your actions will only serve to prolong the suffering and misery of women in the Muslim world by attempting to keep them away from the Islamic system that will truly liberate them from their oppression – the Khilafah. □

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Pentagon increasing spy presence overseas:

The Pentagon is beefing up its spy service to send several hundred undercover intelligence officers to overseas hot spots to steal secrets on national security threats after a decade of focusing chiefly on the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The move comes amid concerns that the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Pentagon's spy service, needs to expand operations beyond the war zones and to work more closely with the CIA, according to a senior Defense official who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak publicly about the classified program. The new Defense Clandestine Service will comprise about 15% of the DIA's workforce. They will focus on gathering intelligence on terrorist networks, nuclear proliferators and other highly sensitive threats around the world, rather than just gleaning tactical information to assist military commanders on the battlefield, the official said. "You have to do global coverage," the official said. Some of the new spies thus are likely to be assigned to targets that now are intelligence

priorities, including parts of Africa and the Middle East where Al Qaeda and its affiliates are active, the nuclear and missile programs in North Korea and Iran, and China's expanding military. □

Muslims in Europe face discrimination daily: Amnesty

European laws on what girls and women wear on their heads are encouraging discrimination against Muslims and against a religion that has been part of Europe's fabric for centuries, Amnesty International says in a new report. Extremist political movements targeting Muslim practices for criticism have enjoyed a rise in several European countries -- as witnessed by French far right leader Marine Le Pen's surprisingly strong showing in presidential elections this week. In that climate, the Amnesty report released Tuesday lists a raft of examples of discrimination against Muslims from Spain to the Netherlands and Turkey, spurred on by laws viewed as anti-Islam. The report, titled "Choice and Prejudice," pays special attention to national laws or local rules against wearing headscarves or face-covering Islamic veils. France and Belgium ban them outright, as do some towns in Spain and elsewhere. "Amnesty International is concerned that states have focused so much in recent years on the wearing of full-face veils, as if this practice were the most



years on the wearing of full-face veils, as if this practice were the most widespread and compelling form of inequality women in Europe have to face," the report says. Proponents, such as French President Nicolas Sarkozy, say face-covering veils imprison women and violate France's values of equality. France also bans headscarves in schools. The niqab, a veil with just a slit for the eyes, and the burqa, with a mesh covering for the eyes, are worn only by a very small minority of European Muslims. But banning them creates an atmosphere of suspicion of anyone with visibly Islamic dress, the Amnesty report says. It cites French Muslim women who wear headscarves, which cover the hair but leave the face exposed, as saying they have experienced epithets and public pressure since Sarkozy started calling for a face-veil ban. □

US behind violence in Pakistan:

Pakistan and the US remain engaged in serious negotiations on how to bring normal relations back on track and resume their cooperation in the US-led so-called war on terror. The bilateral relations have been tense since the killing of 26 Pakistani soldiers by the US airstrikes at Pak-Afghan border in November last year--- something that prompted Pakistan to suspend the supply routes for the US-led forc-

es in Afghanistan. A latest report by the Conflict Monitoring Center, a NGO working on violence in the region, reveals interesting facts on how tense relations between two countries has turned to be a blessing in disguise. The latest findings, point out that the tense relations between Pakistan and U.S, is "the most effective reason" behind considerable reduction of violence during last five months in country's tribal region. The report indicates that the frequency of US assassination drone strikes provoke militants to perpetrate more retaliatory violence that kills not only security personnel but also common people on the streets. Experts say the number of pro-Taliban militant attacks has slightly reduced in recent months. There are now fears among the people here that the relative calm may not last long. The findings on violence report that an overwhelming majority of people believe that if Pakistan ends its alliance with the US, the pro-Taliban militancy would gradually come to an end. □

Russia threatens Nato with military strikes over missile defence system:

Russia has threatened Nato with military strikes against in Poland and Romania if a missile defence radar and interceptors are deployed in Eastern Europe. General Nikolai Makarov, Russia's most senior military commander, warned Nato that if it proceeded with a controversial

it proceeded with a controversial American missile defence system, force would be used against it. "A decision to use destructive force preemptively will be taken if the situation worsens," he said. Gen Makarov has threatened to target Nato bases hosting an anti-missile system designed by the US to protect European allies against attack from states such as Iran. He said that Russia would counter Nato deployment by stationing short-range Iskander missiles in the Russian Kaliningrad exclave near Poland, creating the worst military tensions since the Cold War. "The deployment of new strike weapons in Russia's south and northwest - including of Iskander systems in Kaliningrad - is one of our possible options for destroying the system's European infrastructure," he said. □

Pentagon sending trainers back into Yemen:

The Pentagon said Tuesday it is sending military trainers back to Yemen for "routine" counterterrorism cooperation with Yemeni security forces amid an intensified battle against an offshoot of the al-Qaida terror network. "We have begun to reintroduce small numbers of trainers into Yemen," a Pentagon spokesman, Navy Capt. John Kirby, told reporters. Another American official said the arriving troops are special operations forces, who work under more secretive arrangements than conventional U.S. troops and whose

expertise includes training indigenous forces. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the subject publicly. Yemen has been a launching pad for attacks against the United States by the Yemen-based al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula. On Monday, The Associated Press disclosed that the CIA thwarted an ambitious plot by al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula to destroy a U.S.-bound airliner using a bomb with a sophisticated new design. Kirby said the return of U.S. military trainers to Yemen was for "routine military-to-military cooperation." He declined to provide details. A U.S. military training program in Yemen was suspended last year after then-President Ali Abdullah Saleh was badly injured in a militant attack. At one point the U.S. had between 100 and 150 trainers there. The new president, Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi, who took over in February, has requested increased U.S. counterterrorist cooperation, including trainers and advisers. The U.S. also has a substantial naval presence near Yemen. A Marine contingent aboard Navy ships arrived in the area over the weekend on a routine rotation. It includes the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit, with about 2,000 Marines aboard vessels including the amphibious assault ship Iwo Jima. Also in the group is the USS New York, an amphibious transport dock ship that was built with more than seven tons of steel from the World Trade Center. It is the New York's maiden deployment □



US secretly releasing Taliban prisoners from Bagram prison:

Up to 20 prisoners have been released from Bagram prison in the past two years after giving assurances they would give up their struggle and reconcile with the government. The clandestine "strategic release" programme at the prison north of Kabul has allowed America to use prisoners as bargaining chips when trying to reach local deals with insurgents. Officials admitted the scheme was risky however and difficult to police. They would not say whether any of those released had resumed attacks on Nato or Afghan forces. "Everyone agrees that these are bad guys. But the benefits outweigh the risks." Gavin Sundwall, spokesman for the US embassy in Kabul, said the programme was two years old and "rarely used". □

US panel cuts foreign aid, military aid to Pakistan:

A House of Representatives panel moved on Wednesday to cut the foreign aid budget by some nine per cent, targeting economic aid and contributions to the United Nations and the World Bank. Despite the cuts, the legislation won bipartisan backing from the Appropriations foreign aid panel, although it is sure to draw a White House veto threat because it's in line with a broader Re-

publican spending plan that breaks faith with last year's budget and debt pact with President Barack Obama. The panel maintains aid to Israel and Egypt at the administration's requests but denies \$800 million that was requested for a special fund for training and equipping Pakistan's military in counterinsurgency tactics. The move appears to reflect wariness on the part of lawmakers toward the government of Pakistan, which failed to find Osama bin Laden for years until the US military killed him a year ago. Democratic Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr. accused Pakistan of "harboring a fugitive" and likened the US-Pakistan relationship to a "bad marriage." Given the animosity toward Pakistan, the \$800 million request for counterinsurgency efforts was an easy target, although the measure would permit transfers from other accounts to make up for some or all of the shortfall. "It is a difficult relationship," said Rep. Kay Granger, the foreign aid measure's lead author. The measure also would boost funding to help Mexico and Colombia fight drug gangs. But lawmakers denied the administration's request for \$770 million to support political and economic reforms in the Middle East and North Africa in the aftermath of last year's Arab Spring anti-government uprisings in Tunisia, Egypt and elsewhere. □

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the people of victory for the sake of Allah and His Prophet and the nation, and not for the dictates of the capitals of the disbelievers. And that change will remain a nominal patchwork as long as the leaders of armies yearn after the capitals of the West, instead of siding to the nation in its greatest battle for liberation.

6. The Party presents itself to all the people of the Ummah as they arm themselves with true faith in their Lord and awareness and understanding of the rules of their religion, and as they refuse to accept the world's meddling in their religion, so they seek Allah pleasure rather than the pleasure of the leaders of the West. This means that the sons of the nation must distinguish between the ignorant deviants who thirst after the West and those who carry the true call of Islam without bargaining away the religion of Allah.

Hizb ut-Tahrir calls upon the attention of the leaders of the Muslim armies to the rising dawn of the Caliphate, so do not wager on the allegiance of the West, rather wager on the pleasure of your Lord and work with the loyal sons of the nation in support of this religion and elevating the Word of Allah.

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Thugs to kidnap Naveed Butt

His Messenger and the Ummah, and not for the dictates of the the kuffar. As long as there are traitors in your leadership that yearn after the capitals of the West, instead of siding with the Ummah in its greatest battle for liberation, the Ummah will remain steeped in humiliation and despair at the hands of her enemies. Hizb ut-Tahrir urges you not to count on the allegiance of the West, rather count on the pleasure of Allah. The time is now to grant the Nussrah to Hizb ut-Tahrir for the establishment of the Khilafah, which will seize the traitors and punish them for their crimes. Allah swt says:

وَلَا تَحْسَبَنَّ اللَّهَ غَافِقًا عَمَّا يَعْمَلُ الظَّالِمُونَ إِنَّمَا يُؤَخِّرُهُمْ لِيَوْمٍ تَشْخَصُ فِيهِ الْأَبْصَارُ *مُهْطِعِينَ مُقْنِعِي رُءُوسِهِمْ لَا يَرْتَدُّ إِلَيْهِمْ طَرْفُهُمْ وَأَفْنَدْتُهُمْ هَوَاءً

“Think not that Allah does not heed the deeds of those who do wrong. He but gives them respite against a Day when the eyes will fixedly stare In horror.” [Ibrahim: 42] □

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Islamabad High Court orders Naveed Butt

Kayani has joined hands with America in its last desperate bid to fight the establishment of Khilafah, tooth and nail. As its agents are toppled and others are about to be toppled, America's desperation is apparent, lashing out all over the Muslim world and reminds the Muslim of the last days of the Quraysh before the establishment of the rule by Islam for the first time in Madinah. Thrash and flail Kayani in rhythm with your masters, as much as you like, the failure of your project is inevitable.

﴿وَأَذْكُرُوا إِذْ أَنْتُمْ قَلِيلٌ مُسْتَضْعَفُونَ فِي الْأَرْضِ
تَخَافُونَ أَنْ يَتَخَطَّفَكُمُ النَّاسُ فَآوَاكُمْ وَأَيَّدَكُمْ بِنَصْرِهِ
وَرَزَقَكُمْ﴾

"Call to mind when you were a small (band), despised through the land, and afraid that men might despoil and kidnap you; but He provided a safe asylum for you, strengthened you with His aid, and gave you good things for sustenance: that you might be grateful." [At-Tawba 8:26]□

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Perpetual Domination

Islamic state, and to expose the brutal plans of the invaders and their agent rulers in the light of the Islam rules. Those who attack the Muslim Ummah, those who are occupying our lands, make our younger and elders kill and cry, take us out from our houses, we should never sign strategic pacts with them rather we should act upon the orders of Allah (swt) while dealing with them, which says:

﴿وَأَقْتُلُوهُمْ حَيْثُ تَقِفْتُمُوهُمْ وَأَخْرِجُوهُمْ مِّنْ
حَيْثُ أَخْرَجُواكُمْ﴾

"And slay them wherever ye find them, and drive them out of the places whence they drove you out,"

This is how we should react to the call of Allah (swt) and not sign pacts with the kuffar and accept their supremacy, their friendship and their cooperation, which are forbidden in Islam. While these traitor rulers are making friendship with the enemies of Allah (swt), his messenger and believers, Allah (swt) says about them in his holy book:

﴿إِنَّمَا يَنْهَاكُمْ اللَّهُ عَنِ الَّذِينَ قَاتَلُوكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ
وَأَخْرَجُواكُمْ مِّنْ دِيَارِكُمْ وَظَاهَرُوا عَلَىٰ إِخْرَاجِكُمْ أَنْ
تَوَلَّوهُمْ وَمَنْ يَتَوَلَّهُمْ فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الظَّالِمُونَ﴾

"Allah forbiddeth you only those who warred against you on account of religion and have driven you out from your homes and helped to drive you out, that ye make friends of them. Whosoever maketh friends of them (All) such are wrong doers."□

Book of the Month:

Economic Crises: Their reality and solutions from the viewpoint of Islam



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Economic crisis means severe turmoil in the management of the financial matters of State, which requires effort to remove it. The crisis resulting from currency occurs in the gold-exchange system due to the political and economic domination of the State that owns the reserve currency over other States. It also occurs in the mandatory paper (fiat) moneys because they are subject to price fluctuations and speculation among nations, and to financial conspiracies that lead to political and economic unrest and economic collapse in financial markets.

The treatment is to revert to the system of the gold standard, which preserves exchange rate stability, and economic prosperity.

The crisis resulting from the balance

of payments due to deficits leads to indebtedness if the economy was not self stimulated and the loans are misused, particularly as the loans are fraught with the danger of extending influence, and also dangerous because of usury which is prohibited in Islam.

Recourse to the IMF complicates the problem because it treats it as an abstract mathematical equation, and demands increases to taxes, devaluation of currency, freezing or reducing wages and salaries, and removal of subsidies, besides increasing prices. It also designs its aid to develop projects, which instead of developing the wealth of the State makes it unable to dissociate itself from aid and loans. Thus, the country would enter into the indebtedness trap, from which it cannot escape. The maximum that the country which follows the IMF program can achieve then is the rescheduling of its debts rather than abolishing them. Besides, it facilitates the taking up of new loans, thus accumulating debts, such that it can not find a way out of them as is happening with all countries currently dealing with these programs.

Regarding the resolution of the crisis of unemployment and poverty resulting from the ill-distribution of wealth or from its insufficiency, this is achieved by job creation to the capable through projects established by the State, as well as the imposition

of financial maintenance for the incapacitated males and to the females due upon their *mahram*. If such maintenance is not available, the State is responsible for such people by giving them what is adequate to meet their basic needs, from the Bait ul-Mal.(State Treasury). Otherwise, it is given from the taxes levied upon wealthy Muslims, and taken from the surplus of their funds.

The State secures the basic needs of the whole nation as it secures this for each and every individual. The basic needs of the individual are defined as: food, clothing, and accommodation, all according to prevailing standards. The basic needs of the whole nation are: education, health care and security. These needs, in both cases, are fulfilled from the funds of the Bait ul-mal if available, otherwise from additional taxes.

It should be noted that the revenues of the Bait ul-Mal (State Treasury) are mostly sufficient to meet these needs without imposing taxes on the wealthy Muslims for their sake. The Shar'a has laid down these rules to address each problem that occurs at any time and any place. If however the constant revenues of the bait ul-mal were insufficient for such needs, taxes are levied from the wealthy Muslims to meet that required.

The constant revenues of the Bait ul-Mal (State Treasury), besides their supplements are: war booties, spoils, land *zakat*, head tax, all of the Public properties and State properties of lands, buildings, utilities, customs taxes, illicit funds of rulers and State officials, illegally earned funds, fines, a fifth of the buried treasure (*rikaz*), minerals, property of those who have no heir, funds of apostates, charity funds-*zakat*, and then the taxes (where essential). These revenues are usually sufficient for the State's needs, particularly through running the economic activities properly.

The Khilafah State, that will be soon be established, by the Will of Allah, owns the proper solution to all the problems, whether economic or otherwise, because it is a State in which sovereignty (*siyadah*) belongs to the *Shar'a*, and authority (*sultan*) belongs to the Ummah. It has one Khaleefah who adopts the *Shar'i* rules and is given *Bai'ah* (pledge of allegiance) on the Book of Allah and the Sunnah of His Messenger. Thus, he and the Ummah are fearful of Allah (swt) in all of their actions. So, life would be organized according to the orders of Allah, and will prosper in all of its affairs.

“Indeed Allah will help whoever helps him, and indeed Allah is Powerful and Almighty” [TMQ 22:40]□



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