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## Press Release

## The Government's Silence on Mubarak al-Mahdi's Remark on Normalization with the Jewish entity and not Questioning and Accounting him is another Crime and a Betrayal to the Ummah

(Translated)

On Sunday evening, 20/08/2017, Sudania 24 TV, hosted Mubarak al-Fadhil al-Mahdi, Sudan's Minister of Investment and Deputy Prime Minister, in "*Haal Al-Balad*" (the State of the Country) program. Mubarak said he supports normalizing ties with the Jewish entity to achieve Sudan's interests. "There is no problem in normalizing relations with Israel. The Palestinians normalized relations with (Israel) even Hamas is talking to (Israel)." He said, "The Palestinian issue has held back the Arab world", calling each country to pursuit its own interests. The media in the Jewish entity celebrated these dangerous statements. The Haaretz Newspaper described Al-Fadel's statements as unusual for a senior minister in the Sudanese government, which does not recognize Israel and has no diplomatic ties with it.

We in Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah of Sudan did not comment on these (treacherous) statements, which insult the speaker, before insulting the Islamic Ummah, and the people of Sudan are an integral part of this Ummah, pending the reaction of the government, which has remained silent until now, except from a statement by Information Minister Ahmed Bilal Othman, who said: "Mubarak's remark on normalizing ties with Israel is his personal view!!" How can a minister in the position of deputy prime minister declare a speech that is contrary to the conviction of the Ummah and is a betrayal of Allah, His Messenger and the believers, and then he is not held accountable or questioned? This stance, which Mubarak al-Fadhil stood for, is in fact the position of the government, but Mubarak was bolder than it in declaring treason, otherwise the government would have issued a statement in which it renounces what its minister, the deputy prime minister said, and called him to account him, but this did not happen.

This traitorous position of the government is an omen that it is proceeding in its crimes against this Ummah, and such statements are a kind of accustoming the Ummah to accept the crime and treason when it occurs. These are not the first statements (hot air statements); for the former minister and the current governor, Musa Kasha, had called from within the Parliament to normalize relations with the Jewish entity. The Wikileaks website also revealed a telegram sent in July 2008 from the US Embassy in Khartoum to Washington, pointing out that (the president's advisor then, Mustafa Osman Ismail, said during his meeting with Alberto Fernández, the African Affairs Officer of the US State Department: "If things go well with the United States, you may help us to facilitate matters with your closest ally in the region, (Israel)". In addition to what the former governor of the state of Gadharif, Karam Allah Abbas, said in 2012 that there is a trend within the ruling National Congress Party, that agrees to normalization of ties with the Jewish entity. And we do not forget the statement made by the Foreign Minister Ghandour on Wednesday, 18/1/2017, after his speech before the parliament, when asked if Khartoum would reconsider the relationship with Tel Aviv, after the partial lifting of the US economic sanctions on Sudan? Ghandour replied, "Everything is possible in international relations", which he denied after the public outcry against normalization.

The legitimate action of dealing with the Jewish entity, is not normalization or negotiation, for these are all betrayal to Allah, His Messenger and the believers. Instead, it is the removal of this evil entity from existence and the return of the Holy Land to the Ummah. And we are certain that such great work will not be carried out by the Ruwaibidhah of the Islamic world and the negligence rulers, but will be done by the second Khilafah Rashidah (righteous Caliphate) State on the method of the Prophethood, which is coming soon, with Allah's permission, with Alla

to know to what [kind of] return they will be returned." [Ash-Shu'ara: 227].

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