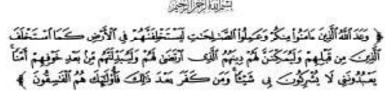
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Morocco Blindness of its Past and Future

King Mohammed VI of Morocco has completed his official visit to Tanzania. Among other things, Rabat has promised constructing an ultra-modern mosque in Dar es Salaam and a modern stadium in Dodoma.

Unfortunately, Rabat's foreign policy scope has a full of shallowness, blindness distant away from her glorious history.

The King of Morocco's visit came within the context of a south-south conciliation and to strengthen the diplomatic and economic cooperation. Since Morocco wants Tanzania's support for Morocco to return to the African Union just as it seeks rapidly for its companies to be a connecting link between the western colonialist companies and the African natural resources. Morocco and Tanzania signed 22 economic, cultural, touristic and political consultative agreements...

Morocco, like all Muslim lands, has nothing left to it except concealing its evils and injustices resulting from carrying the western viewpoint in ruling and economics and of its efforts to spread the influence of the King's companies and western companies equally whilst hiding behind either pretending to manage or build new mosques. The role of the mosque is to elevate the word of Allah Ta'ala:

"In houses which Allah has permitted to be exalted and that His name may be remembered in them; there glorify Him therein in the mornings and the evenings." [an-Nur: 36]

Then, how can the state build the mosque while the Islamic rulings are not implemented and the rulings of Kufr (disbelief) prevail in ruling?

In addition, when has the building of a Masjid been the measure for the soundness of the ruling and the soundness of the systems applied in the state and the society?

Didn't King Hassan II, predecessor of the current king build a large mosque at Casablanca, the 13th largest mosque in the world, with the tallest minaret than any mosque in the world, exhausting massive resources and efforts of seven years. What came next? Did Morocco and the Muslim world revive and rise from decline and humiliation?

Morocco is suffering in all aspects; its people live are suffering from poverty, poor guardianship, corrupt judiciary, declined education, a collapsed health sector, the natural resources and wealth are a circulated amongst the king and those who serve him and suffer from morally bankruptcy. It is a country which was once a cradle of knowledge and civilization having the world oldest University of Al-Qarawiyyin; does not have the confidence to use the Arabic language at University level.

What sort of self-imposed humiliation is this? Not to mention Rabat's role in America's war on terrorism which is in reality a war against Islam undertaken on behalf of the western states and the US and which also endangers the lives of its own citizens.

The King of Morocco has made numerous visits to North Africa and he is currently undertaking visits to the states of East Africa (Tanzania and Rwanda whilst the visit to Ethiopia was cancelled). In all of these visits he demonstrates the shining history of Islam of the people of Morocco with Africa. However, there is a vast difference between the one who carries Islam as guidance to the world and the one who carries capitalism, democracy and opens the doors to western countries to plunder Africa.

When will Morocco remove the cloak of blindness of its history, and its Islamic history in general? It is a land that accepted Islam which unified the masses, then became systematic standard-bearers and a source of redemption for Muslims and mankind. Even non-Muslims sought assistance from the oppression of their rulers. As residents of Spain including Visigoth nobleman, Julian (Count of Ceuta) encouraged Muslims to open Iberia due to the sufferings and injustice of King Roderic. Among them was Roderic's rape of Julian's daughter.

Through this land, Spain was opened under Tarig bin Ziad and Islam also expanded to many African states. In contrast this glorious history, and today's situation, is far between the earth and heaven!

Should Morocco stick with its glorious history, it should have liberated the rest of far South Saharan Desert by Islam, instead it embraced capitalism that blindfolded it from its glorious history, rushing only to safeguard their fragile rule and filling their stomachs. Obviously, radical Islamic change is needed to repeat our history.

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