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Abolish Democracy, Establish Khilafah

The 11 May 2013 Elections confirmed that Democracy is dead in Pakistan. Any voting that took place was not inspired by any hope in Democracy. In fact voting was inspired by a fear that Democracy would bring something even worse than what it has unleashed so far on our abode. People reasoned that admitting a smaller thief into our home is better than letting a bigger one through. Such are the high standards and expectations that Democracy has engendered in our society!

With the elections over, more economic misery and foreign policy humiliation are anticipated. Thus, we will again see the truth of the election promise of the Viceroy of Pakistan, the US Ambassador, “Democracy is our horse in Pakistan.”

With the elections over, it is now time to work for real change with the party that represents real change. Indeed, Hizb ut-Tahrir is the only political party in the Ummah that is capable of delivering its promise for real change. Hizb ut-Tahrir’s constitution and vast collection of books

and documents on the Khilafah, all established upon Islamic evidences, are for implementation from the moment it comes to power. Hizb ut-Tahrir has six decades of experience in exposing, challenging and foiling the Western colonialist plans. It has armies of brave, defiant and capable politicians, skilled Islamic jurists, for the implementation of Islam, which Pakistan’s press has correctly described as a “shadow government,” ready to rule. It has a presence throughout the Muslim World and is capable of delivering its promise to unify all the Muslim World as a single state, a Khilafah for the entire Ummah.

And it alone has a global leader who has with wisdom and dynamism brought the Ummah to the very brink of real change, the eminent jurist and statesman Shaikh Ata Ibn Khalil Abu Ar-Rashta, the Ameer of Hizb ut-Tahrir. It is time for the end of American stooges, capitalism and Democracy. Now is the time for Hizb ut-Tahrir led by Sheikh Ata, Islam and its Khilafah.

Ameer of Hizb ut-Tahrir, Sheikh Ata ibn Khalil Abu Ar-Rashtah's Speech for Pakistan

الحمد لله والصلاة والسلام على رسول الله وعلى آله وصحبه
ومن ولاة وبعده،

Praise be to Allah, prayer and peace be upon the Messenger of Allah, his family and his Companions and those who follow him,

To the people of Pakistan, the Pure and Goodland, which was established in origin for Islam and Muslims...

To the Ulema, the intellectuals and politicians, those amongst them who have confirmed sincerity, both in their deen and in their iman

To the rulers of Pakistan, particularly Zardari, his gang and cohorts who exposed the country and its people to America, its spies and intelligence...

To Kayani and his cohorts who forced the army in service to America in Afghanistan, and withdraw forces from the border with India to the tribal areas and Baluchistan...

To the Electoral Commission which is supervising elections of 11 May 2013...

To all of these we address this speech, whilst I realize that Zardari and his spies, Kayani and his gang, have hearts that do not understand, ears that do not hear and eyes that do not see, however in Pakistan there are those who listen to the truth, their eyes overflowing with tears, they are those who listen to the truth and pursue the good in it and they are in gratitude to their Lord. As for them, Zardari and his spies, Kayani and his gang, we are sending this letter for them as an excuse before Allah SWT and perhaps they may fear Him:

Firstly: O people of Pakistan, the Pure and Good Land: O descendants of Muhammad bin Qasim, sons of **Ata ibn Khalil Abu Ar-**

Rashtah those who struggled with him in the Opening of these lands by the early Muslims, how could you ever be pleased with an oppressive and brutal regime, that discards the Book of Allah SWT and the Sunnah of His Messenger SAW behind its back, violating the commands of the Shariah and exposing the country to America and its allies, to corrupt the lands utterly, not even sparing its soil or cattle ... killing its people with drones, planting explosives and fostering chaos?! How could you ever be pleased with a government moving away from the battle front against the Hindu mushrikeen, occupiers of the lands of Islam in Kashmir and other than Kashmir, moving from this front to fight your brothers in the tribal areas and Balochistan as well as the resistance in Afghanistan?! How could you ever be pleased by the government's abduction of your sincere and loyal sons in broad daylight from the streets, madrassas and mosques only for the government to then deny such kidnapping without a shred of shame before Allah SWT, His Messenger SAW and the believers?! Indeed, they have seized many of the youth of Hizb ut-Tahrir because they say our only Lord is Allah SWT, keeping them for months, many months, in severe torture as they did with the abductees previously and as they do currently with the Hizb ut-Tahrir's official spokesman and those seized after him?! You may say that you cannot do anything, but you are capable to contribute in goodness, so consolidate your efforts with the Hizb and your Lord will bestow mercy by His permission, Glorified be He, for the Hizb will never tire or seek rest from its great work, in accordance with the Shariah, until Insha'Allah it brings change, ends the rule of the unjust and restores the Truth to its people. So be with the Hizb in its movements and do not be afraid of any other than Allah, knowing that the future is only for those who fear Allah.

And to the Ulema who fear Allah, do you not see the abolition of the rulings of Allah? Do you not see America roaming the length and breadth of the country with its drones, explosives and intelligence, all with the complicity of the ruling faction and its cohorts? Do you not see the plundering of the Ummah's wealth and corruption eating away at the backbone of the state and its institutions? Do you not hear and see the advocates of the Call to Allah SWT, to the establishment of the Khilafah for the implementation of the law of Allah, do you not see how they are abducted and severely tortured, consider the example of Naveed Butt, the Official Spokesman of Hizb ut-Tahrir, whose abduction is not so long ago for you, seized in broad daylight and who will have been kept in torture for a full year on the very day of these elections? Do you not see all of this? Is this not a terrible evil? Is it not a duty that you must call in rejection of it? And if you say that we do not have a state to change things by the hands physically, do you not have tongues by which you can speak up in denial? Is not speaking the word of truth the greatest jihad, as RasulAllah SAW said when he was asked what is the best Jihad, كَلِمَةُ حَقٍّ عِنْدَ سُلْطَانٍ جَائِرٍ “The word of truth before the unjust rulers” an-Nisai], so why do you hold your tongues and why do you not speak?

To the intellectuals and politicians ... those from amongst them who are sincere and resolute, this time is your time, America completely controls the regime, directing it in any direction it pleases, which has led to the ruin of the economy, such that the economy is now mortgaged to the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, earning the curses of the people and causing their exhaustion, their shoulders overburdened by taxes ... and which also led to the collapse of the country's security and the spread of chaos amongst its people. You witness all that, including the situation of Karachi, which was once a reassuring sanctuary for those who migrated to escape the Hindu oppression, so as to live together like the original Muhajireen and

Ansar, but it is now a city where you witness discord has arisen between the people, some of it being caused by conspiracies and the rest of it by orchestrating explosions ... Moreover, this regime has sold Kashmir and made it a lost and forgotten cause, and moved from the front against India, which occupies the land of Muslims, to a new front against the tribal areas, Balochistan and the Afghan resistance. America's spies roam the length and breadth of the land, unmanned drones, as well as manned aircraft, violate its skies, causing destruction and killing without impunity! How can you ever be silent on such evil and dark happenings? Do you believe that the calamity when it comes to pass will afflict only the corrupt, oppressive and traitorous rulers? In fact the calamity afflicts both the oppressors and those who are silent regarding their oppression. Allah SWT said, وَأَتَّقُوا فِتْنَةً لَا تُصِيبَنَّ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا مِنْكُمْ خَاصَّةً وَاعْلَمُوا أَنَّ اللَّهَ شَدِيدُ الْعِقَابِ

“And fear the calamity that does not only afflict those who oppressed and know that Allah is severe in punishment” [Surah Al-Anfaal 8:25] and RasulAllah SAW said, « إِنَّ

اللَّهُ لَا يُعَذِّبُ الْعَامَّةَ بِعَمَلِ الْخَاصَّةِ، حَتَّى يَرَوْا الْمُنْكَرَ بَيْنَ ظَهْرَانِيهِمْ، وَهُمْ قَادِرُونَ عَلَى أَنْ يُنْكِرُوهُ فَلَا يُنْكِرُوهُ، «فَإِذَا فَعَلُوا ذَلِكَ، عَذَّبَ اللَّهُ الْخَاصَّةَ وَالْعَامَّةَ

Allah does not punish the people in general for the actions of the few, unless they see the Munkar amongst them and they are able to deny it, yet they do not deny it, and should they do that, then Allah will punish the people in general along with the few.” [Narrated by Ahmed]

Secondly: To the ruling faction, Zardari, his spies and cohorts: the wise one is the one who learns from the mistakes of others. Did you not see the fate of all the traitors who conspired against their country with the kafir colonialists, spread corruption and ate wealth unlawfully, and seized people who proclaim our Lord is Allah alone ... know that their fate is always the blackest of fates, for even their

colonial masters will dump them on the side of the street, after they are spent in their roles of service!

How could you hand over this land to America and its spies to ruin them as she pleases and grant Pakistan's airspace to drones that bomb as they please, whenever and wherever they please ... I realize that America orders you and forbids you and you are not able to refuse her demands, but even the traitors sometimes say: No, enough is enough, yet you swim in a destructive torrent and do not speak a word of rejection!

As if this terrible subservience to America and its allies was not enough, you assail the youth of Hizb ut-Tahrir, deploying your spies, abducting them and torturing them by brutal means! Do you really believe that these shebaab do not have the people behind them and men to support them? Do you feel secure from the evil of your future and its consequences? Do you really think that no-one is with them? Or that they are devoid of help and backing? Think as you want, but know that Allah SWT is with them as well as His Messenger SAW and the believers ... and Hizb ut-Tahrir is of the people, the fact that it does not undertake physical acts of revenge today is not out of cowardice or fear, but because the Hizb believes that Islam has not permitted such acts in the stage of carrying the call. However, the Hizb will right the wrong upon the establishment of the Khilafah, as promised by Allah SWT and foretold by RasulAllah SAW and then you, and those who follow you of cohorts, will be seized by a punishment that you deserve, for Allah SWT said, *“وَسَيَعْلَمُ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا أَيَّ مُنْقَلَبٍ يَنْقَلِبُونَ”* The oppressors will come to know by what overturning they will be overturned.” [Surah Ash-Sharaa 26:227]

And even if you escaped punishment in this world, you will witness the day when the mother will abort her pregnancy through fear, and you will then realize the verse:

وَلَا تَحْسَبَنَّ اللَّهَ غَافِلًا عَمَّا يَعْمَلُ الظَّالِمُونَ إِنَّمَا يُؤَخَّرُهُمْ
لِيَوْمٍ تَشْخَصُ فِيهِ الْأَبْصَارُ مُهْطِعِينَ مُقْنِعِي رُءُوسِهِمْ لَا يَرْتَدُّ
إِلَيْهِمْ طَرْفُهُمْ وَأَفْئِدَتُهُمْ هَوَاءٌ

*“Consider not that Allah is unaware of that which the wrongdoers do, but He gives them respite up to a Day when the eyes will stare in horror.” * (They will be) hastening forward with necks outstretched, their heads raised up (towards the sky), their gaze returning not towards them and their hearts empty.”*
[Surah Ibrahim 14:42, 43]

Thirdly: As for Kayani and his gang, they are even worse than Zardari in mischief and evil, and in oppression and corruption. Kayani's role in surrendering the country to America is the greatest, as is his role in allowing the American drones to bomb the Muslims most severely and dangerously. So is his role in moving the main front of the army from the border with the kafir Hindus to the tribal areas, Balochistan and resistance in Afghanistan, as well as his role in other humiliation and shame, such as his role in securing the abduction of the shebaab of Hizb ut-Tahrir and their torture, for such a role is of even greater abomination before Allah SWT and the servants of Allah. And such also is his role in the supplying of America and its allies in Afghanistan with military logistics, medicine, food and water, for this is the role of the traitor who exceeds all other traitors ... not to mention his role in collusion with the spies of America in conspiracies and bombings in Karachi and elsewhere. His role is the greatest, for he has sufficient military force to stop all these tragedies and calamities, if he cared to, and prevent these explosions, bombs and drones ... But he forgot about his Deen and he forgot his oath when he was drafted into the army, to protect the country from all aggression and not to surrender it to the spies of America!

Kayani and his gang are the front line of America and its allies in arresting every loyal and brave military officer, who loves Allah

SWT and His Messenger SAW, as he did in the case of Brigadier Ali and his brothers, as well as other sincere officers. Kayani and those behind him think that this would ensure the loyalty of the army to his treacherous plans, in the killing of Muslims to satisfy the kafir colonialists ... But Kayani forgot or made himself forget the fact that the Pakistani army is in its entirety a Muslim army, which took up arms to fight for the sake of Allah, and that the army may be silent for some time but not for all time, especially since Kayani's betrayal of the military uniform he wears and the weapon he carries, is so obvious it needs neither further explanation nor clarification ... the awakening of the army seized Kayani and his gang with shock, and it will seize him, Insha'Allah, from where he could never consider and he will taste the earnings of his treachery for Allah SWT said, **وَاللَّهُ غَالِبٌ عَلَىٰ أَمْرِهِ** "Allah has full power and control over His Affairs, but most people do not know." [Surah Yusuf 12:21]

Fourthly: To the Election Commission, you are Muslim, and so you realize that the legislation is for Allah SWT alone, so how do you allow yourselves to hold elections that will produce an assembly to legislate instead of Allah SWT? How can you hold elections for ordering and forbidding by other than Allah? How can you hold elections knowing that Zardari, Kayani and their cohorts and factions, hold the reins from behind a curtain? How can you hold elections for an assembly that makes laws to serve the interests of the political and military leadership, and as a natural consequence the interests of America, which is at the very top of their interests? Elections are for representation and the representation is not permissible except if the subject is Shariah, so how do you organize elections for other than Shariah and call the people to welcome it? Do you not know that establishing a legislative assembly that makes Halal and Haram instead of Allah SWT is a huge sin? Tabarani narrated in Al-Kabeer that Adi bin Hatim said,

وَهُوَ يَقْرَأُ سُورَةَ بَرَاءَةِ فَقَرَأَ هَذِهِ □ فَانْتَهَيْتُ إِلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ حَتَّى □ اتَّخَذُوا أَحْبَارَهُمْ وَرُهْبَانَهُمْ أَرْبَابًا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ □ الْآيَةَ فَرَعَّ مِنْهَا، فَقُلْتُ: إِنَّا لَسْنَا نَعْبُدُهُمْ، فَقَالَ: « أَلَيْسَ يُحَرِّمُونَ مَا أَحَلَّ اللَّهُ فَتُحَرِّمُونَهُ، وَيُحِلُّونَ مَا حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ فَتَسْتَحِلُّونَهُ؟ » قُلْتُ: بَلَى، قَالَ: « فَتِلْكَ عِبَادَتُهُمْ »

"I came upon RasulAllah SAW and he recited from Surat Bara'a this verse **اتَّخَذُوا أَحْبَارَهُمْ** [At-Tawabah 9:31] until he finished. I asked: How did they worship them? He said: "Did they not make Haraam what Allah had made Halaal and did they not make Halaal what Allah had made Haraam." I said: Yes, so he said: "That is their worshipping of them."

O Election Commission: It is not the need of the hour to hold elections that produce an assembly that legislates instead of Allah SWT and decide laws that are not revealed by Allah SWT from authority ... the need of the hour is the establishment of the Khilafah and a Bayah to a just and rightly guided Khaleefah who rules by Shariah and nothing else ... the need is for Pakistan to be the nucleus of the Khilafah state, if not the important part of the Khilafah State ... the need is for Pakistan to increase in its power through the Deen, so that its army and nuclear weapons can be a power for truth and justice ... the need is for the liberation of Kashmir, for Kashmir is a land of Islam which is occupied by the mushrikeen ... and the need is for the re-annexation with East Pakistan, "Bangladesh," not by sea or air, but by land, through the Muslim lands ... and instead of the army confronting Muslims in Pakistan and Afghanistan, the weapons of these two armies will be directed in the right direction, facing America and its allies, causing them to retreat from their evil and destructive schemes ... and thus according to the promise of Allah SWT and the glad tidings of RasulAllah SAW, Pakistan shall be the

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Letter from Ameer of Hizb ut-Tahrir to Sheikh Hassan Al-Janayni

To the dear brother Sheikh Hassan Al-Janayni (may Allah honour him for his obedience)

Presenter of the program “and then it will be Khilafah” (*Thuma Takoon Khilafah*) on the Khaleejiah (Gulf) channel

Assalamu Alaikum warahmatul Allahi wa Barakatuhu,

Alhamdulillah, peace and blessings upon the Messenger of Allah and upon his family, companions, and followers,

By the will of Allah, I listened to your program “and then it will be Khilafah” (*Thuma Takoon Khilafah*), an episode broadcasted from the Khaleejiah (Gulf) channel on Saturday, the 12th of Jumada Al-Thani 1434 AH, corresponding to 22 April 2013 CE.

I was pleased with what was mentioned in the episode from the noble discourse, wise address and clarity of the statement regarding the Hizb, its men and its role in the sincere honourable work to resume the Islamic way of life through the reestablishment of the rightly guided Khilafah.

My dear brother I deliver my salaam to you and your distinguished guests from a distant place, while near Inshallah, I ask Allah (swt) to unite us on the same path, to declare the Khilafah, and to give the baayah (pledge) to the Khaleefah, and the people will make Takbeer elatedly rejoicing in their streets and on their rooftops, and from their minarets and mosques... and soldiers elated rejoicing with Takbeer throughout the Muslim lands that they reverted to their original tasks, a Muslim military who protects the honour of Islam, and conquering conquests and spreading the *Khair* (Islam) all over the world.

((وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ * بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ))

“And that day the believers will rejoice* In the victory of Allah. He gives victory to whom He wills, and He is the Exalted in Might, the Merciful.”

Wasalamu Alaikum wa-Rahmatulahi wa-Barakatuhu

Your Brother and Friend,

17 Jumada Al-Thani 1434 AH

Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah

27 April 2013 CE

Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir

Opening Speech of Women's Seminar "Establish Khilafah to Protect Honorable Women of Al-Sham"

O Dear Sisters, السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته
Assalam Alaikunna Warahmatu Allah
Wabarakatu

الحمد لله والصلاة والسلام على رسول الله وعلى آله
وصحبه ومن والاه وبعد،

Praise be to Allah, prayer and peace be upon
the Messenger of Allah (SW) and his family
and companions and his allies,

I begin my speech with that which is Khair
(good):

((رَبَّنَا وَآتِنَا مَا وَعَدْتَنَا عَلَى رُسُلِكَ وَلَا تُخْزِنَا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ
إِنَّكَ لَا تَخْلِفُ الْمِيعَادَ * فَاسْتَجَابَ لَهُمْ رَبُّهُمْ أَنِّي لَا
أُضِيعُ عَمَلَ عَامِلٍ مِنْكُمْ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ أَوْ أُنْثَى بَعْضُكُمْ مِنْ
بَعْضٍ))

*"Our Lord! grant us what you did promise
unto us through your Messengers, and save us
from shame on the Day of Judgment: for you
never renege on your promise * and their
Lord has accepted of them, and answered
them: "Never will I allow the waste of the
work of any of you, be He male or female: you
are members, one of another:" [Surah
Aal—Imran 3:194-95]*

The subject of your conference causes
restlessness and touches the hearts, for the free
women of Sham seek protection but the
Muslim armies do not protect, whether those
who are nearby or those that are further away
... these women seek help, but the rulers
scattered in the Muslim countries do not help,
these rulers are corpses in the clothing of the
living ... and when the free woman of Sham
despaired from receiving any protection or
help, the grief and tragedy intensified within
her, so she sought refuge in the neighboring
Muslim country but found the false border
halting her. Thus it is a tragedy over the

tragedy of the hardship and suffering she
faced, that the rulers considered her a burden
on national security! Instead of finding safe
shelter, she only found more hardship, such
that it compelled some refugees, to the
neighboring place, to feel that they had only
moved from one hardship to another, so they
returned from where they came, back under
the shade of death again!

O Dear Sisters: this is how the Muslim
countries have become, rife with borders and
blocks. Hardship afflicts anyone who wishes
to pass through the Sykes-Picot borders. If he
wishes to pass between a village or a city to
another in neighboring country, even though
the soils of both countries are one and the
same soil: such as between Deraa and Ramtha,
or between Al-Qaseer and Arsal, or Abu
Kamal and Al-Qaem, or Aleppo, indeed
beyond Aleppo, to Adana, or beyond Adana,
he is afflicted by suffering and hardship
travelling between these nearby places! Even
though, the Muslim used to move from the far
west, from Andalusia, to the Far East, to
Indonesia, with dignity in the lands of Islam,
in peace and security.

Thus, this is how the Muslim woman has
found herself; she calls for protection and
receives no protection, she calls for help and
receives none. And when she seeks refuge in a
neighboring country, they consider her a
burden, even though she was dear and
dignified under the shade of the Islamic state,
the Khilafah Rashida that implements the
Ahkam of Islam ... the Muslim woman was
the measure of care and protection in the
Islamic State, the Khaleefah carried food on
his own back for her, if she were hungry, the
Khaleefah sends an army to protect her, if she
were to ask for help, thus he answers her

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appeal “*Wa-Muatasema*” “Where are you O Muatasem”... one of her cries made Muhammad bin Qasim, the commander of the Muslim army, to shake the throne of the King of the Sind, because he seized a Muslim ship and took the women as hostages ... her insecurity drove Qutaiyba, the leader of the Muslims, to capture the one who disturbed her. He refused the treasures of gold and silver offered by the captured one to ransom himself. And Qutaiyba refused saying “No, by Allah I will not let you go, so that you may never again terrorize any other Muslim women” and then he ordered his killing.

O Dear Sisters: What is happening in the land of Sham is a war on Muslims and Islam, led by America and its allies, implemented by its means and agents... The Takbeers of the revolutionaries shook them in their beds, the strong stance of the Muslims stunned them and the calls for the Khilafah from the mouths of the sincere shook them, rather shook them to pieces, which made those who are terrified of the Khilafah lose their minds ... On the one hand they see their puppet Bashar toppled or almost toppled, whilst on the other hand, they fear that he will topple before they mature an alternative agent to him, so that Sham will return as Dar al-Islam again. Therefore they supply the tyrant Bashar with all kind of weapons of mass destruction, so that he can resist until they appoint the coalition and its government.

The Khilafah is the foremost concern of America and its allies, indeed the entire West including even the pettiest of its agents and followers, whether in the neighboring region or beyond it. So, they are doing their best to stop the great Khilafah from returning, because they realize that if the Khilafah were to return, it will become the foremost in the world, spreading the Khair (good) in the world, burying the tyrants and sending them on to their black fate and then the Islamic Ummah will return as it should be,

كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ
وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ

“You are the best Ummah ever raised up for mankind; You Enjoin Al-MarooF (Right) and forbid Al-Munkar (Evil), and You believe In Allah.” [Surah Aali Imran 3:110]

Moreover, the Khilafah will light up the world again, then the livers of the kuffar colonialists and their agents will be torn, fear will strike the hearts of those who hate Islam and their adherents and Islam and Muslims will be dignified whilst kufr and its people will be humiliated. All this will happen, Allah willing, over the head of the enemies of Islam.

O Dear Sisters: It is true that the tragedy of the free women of Al- Sham is great and their affliction is awful ... It is true that their crisis intensified more and more, but it is also true that the intensification of the crisis is a sign of ease, for the bright dawn comes after the darkest pitch of the night,

فَإِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا

“So, Indeed with every difficulty, there is relief.” [Surah Ash-Sahrah 94:5]

And you have the brothers of Hizb ut-Tahrir, and those who support, advocate and assist it, for they have resolved that they will not tire or rest until they bring the dawn of the Khilafah again, by the will of Allah,

وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يُفْرِحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ * بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ

وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ

“That day believers will rejoice * upon the victory of Allah who makes victorious whom He wishes and He is the Mighty, the Merciful.” [Surah Ar-Rum 30: 4-5]

To conclude, I extend to you my salam, O dear sisters, and I open your blessed conference, the good conference, the touching conference, Insha'Allah, so in the name of Allah and with His blessings...

والسلام عليكم نور حمة الله وبركاته

Wassalam Alaikunna Warahmatu Allah Wabarakatu

17 Jamad Al- Akhira 1434 H, 27/04/2013

27th Rajab: A Day of Grandeur – The Day of al-Isra wal Mi`raj and the Recapture of al-Quds

After the success of capturing Ascalon (southern Palestine) and the areas around al-Quds, Salahuddeen al-Ayubi proceeded to finally take al-Quds itself. Beha ad-Deen recounts that Salahuddeen followed the advice of the Prophet (saw) when he said: “He to whom the door of success has been opened must take his opportunity and enter in, for he knows not when the door may close on him.” After a brief siege of the holy city, Salahuddeen recaptured al-Quds on Friday, the 27th of Rajab (2/8/1187), on the anniversary of the night of ascension (al-Isra wal Mi`raj). Beha ad-Deen states: “what a wonderful coincidence! Allah(swt) allowed the Muslims to take the city as a celebration of the anniversary of their Prophet’s (SAW) night journey. Truly this is a sign that this deed was pleasing to Almighty Allah(swt)...” He continues: “Therefore all men learned in the law came to join Salahuddeen, both from Egypt and from Syria; there was not a single well-known doctor but came to the camp. Every voice was raised in shouts, calling upon Allah(swt), and proclaiming his unity and power. On the very day of the capitulation Friday’s prayer was in the city, and the Khatib delivered the sermon.” It is also narrated that the scholars flocked to al-Quds in the hope that Salahuddeen would choose one of them to deliver the Khutba. He chose Muhiyudden ibnu Zakiyudden. The khutbah that he delivered was as follows:

“Opening with surat al-Fatiha, he proceeded: So the roots of the people who did wrong were cut off, and all praise be to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds.

Praise be to Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth, and made the darkness and the light.

And say, “Praise be to Allah, Who has not begotten a son, and Who has no partner in the Dominion, nor any protector from humiliation, (so) magnify Him, with all magnificence!

Praise be to Allah, Who has sent down to His slave the Book, and has not placed therein any crookedness. (He has made it) Straight to give warning (to the disbelievers) of a severe punishment from Him, and to give glad tidings to the believers, who work righteous deeds, that they shall have a good reward. They shall abide therein forever. And to warn those who say, “Allah has begotten a son.”

Praise be to Allah, to Whom belongs all that is in the heavens and all that is in the earth. His is all the praise in the Hereafter, and He is the Wise, the Aware.

Praise be to Allah, who honours Islam by His support and victory, who humiliates shirk by His might, who regulates all affairs by His command, who rewards gratitude by continuing his favours, who lures the disbelievers by His plans, who appointed the days by turn (between people) by His Justice, who made the end success for the believers by His bounty, who shades his servants by His Shade, who makes His deen dominant over all other ways of life. He is the Mighty, above his servants, whom none can resist, the Dominant over his creation, whom none can dispute, the Commander of what He wills, whom none can disobey, the Ruler by what he wishes, whom none can oppose.

I praise Him for his victorious assistance, for His honouring of his friends and His aiding those who aid His cause. I praise Him for his purifying his sacred house from the filth of shirk and its pollutions. I praise Him by the praise of one who is truly conscious of inner gratitude and who expresses it outwardly, and I bear witness that there is no god but Allah alone, having no partner, the One, the Eternal, who begets not, nor was He begotten, and who has none like unto Him. Such is the witnessing of him who has purified his heart by declaring the Unity of the Lord, and has pleased Him thereby.

And I bear witness that Muhammad is His servant and Messenger, the remover of doubt, the refuter of shirk, the dispeller of falsehood, the one taken by night from the Sacred Mosque to this Mosque, al-Aqsa, and the one taken up from it to the high heavens, to the lote-tree of the utmost boundary (sidrat al-muntaha), whereby is the Garden of eternal abode. His sight turned not aside, nor did it exceed. May the peace and blessing of Allah be upon him, and upon his khalifah Abu Bakr, the first to Iman, and upon the leader of the believers Umar ibn al-Khattab, the first to remove from this house the sign of the Christian cross, and upon the leader of the believers Uthman ibn Affan, the one of two lights, the complier of the Qur'an, and upon the leader of the believers Ali ibn Abi Talib, the destroyer of shirk and the breaker of idols, and upon his family, his Companions and upon those who followed them with good.

O People, rejoice at the pleasure of Allah which is the ultimate objective and the highest reward. Rejoice for what Allah made easy for you of recovering this lost possession (al-Aqsa) from the misguided people and returning it to its rightful place under Islam, after it was debased in the hands of the mushrikeen for almost a hundred years. Rejoice at the purifying of this house which Allah ordered to be raised, in which His name is glorified, and at cleansing its paths of shirk after it had spread over it and its rites were

established in it. Its foundation was laid on the basis of tawheed, the best basis to build on, and its edifice was erected with His glorification. Indeed it is built on taqwa all over. It is the dwelling of your father Ibrahim and the place from which your Prophet (saw) mounted to the heavens. It is your qiblah towards which you prayed in the beginning of Islam. It is the abode of the Prophets (as), the destination of the friends of Allah (awliya'), the burial-place of the Messengers (as), the descent-place of the revelation and the place where the orders and prohibitions were sent down. It is the gathering place and the land of the resurrection and it is in the sacred land mentioned by Allah in His Book. It is the mosque in which the Messenger of Allah (saw) prayed with the angels nearest to Allah, and it is the land to which Allah sent his slave and messenger, his Word which He bestowed on Maryam, and His spirit Isa', whom He honoured with messengership and blessed with prophethood, without changing his rank of servanthood;

Al-Aqsa is the first of the two qiblahs, the second of the two mosques, the third to the two sanctuaries. Journeys (to visits mosques) are not begun after the two mosques except to it, and no place is rated higher, after the two cities (Makkah and Madinah) than it. Had you not then been from those chosen by Allah from amongst his servants, and selected from amongst the dwellers of His lands, He would not have chosen you from this great blessing in which you will not have an equal and in the excellence of which you will not have a rival.

So glad tidings be to you for an army on whose hand have appeared the Prophetic miracles, the incidents of Badr, the resolution of al-Siddiq, the conquests of Umar, the armies of Uthman and the battles charges of Ali . You have revived for Islam the days of Qadisiyyah, the fierce battles of Yarmuk, the sieges of Khaybar, the raids of Khalid. May Allah reward you with the best of rewards, and may He recompense you well for the exertion of your souls in fighting the enemies.

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May He accept from you the blood you shed in getting closer to Him, and reward you with Jannah, the abode of the blissful.

Appreciate then – may Allah have mercy on you – this blessing at its just value, and stand to Allah in due gratitude, for He has great due from you for having conferred on you this honour and electing you for this great service. This is the conquest for which the gates of heaven opened, by whose light illuminated the faces of darkness, by which the angels rejoiced, and the eyes of the Prophets and Messengers found solace. How great a favour that He made you the army upon whose hands bayt al-maqdis was conquered in the latter times, the soldiers who established, with their swords, the signs of Iman after the end of Prophethood. Soon, perhaps, Allah will open other lands upon your hands. Openings at which the people of heaven will rejoice more than those of the Earth.

Is it not the house which Allah mentioned in his Book and explicitly mentioned it in his definitive address, saying,

“Glorified be He (Allah) Who took His slave (Muhammad) for a journey by night from al-Masjid-al-Haram to the Farthest mosque...”

Is it not the house which all the religions honoured, to which the messengers turned, in which the four divinely revealed books were recited? Is it not the house for the sake of which Allah stopped the sun from setting for Joshua, and slowed its pace, so that his conquest would be facilitated? Is it not the house which Allah ordered Musa (as) to command his people to liberate, yet none responded save two men, because of which He sent His wrath upon them, sending them into the wilderness as punishment for disobedience?

Now the angels of the heavens make istighfar for you, pray for you and send upon you blessings. Preserve therefore – may Allah have mercy on you – this gift you have obtained and protect this favour which you

have received, through taqwa, by which those who hold on to it are saved, and those who cling to its rope are protected. Beware of following desires, falling into ruin, returning from the right path, or recoiling from an enemy. Take the opportunity to remove what remains in this land of annoyance. Fight in the path of Allah the true Jihad, and trade with Allah your souls for His good pleasure as he has made you his choice servants. Beware of shaytaan lest he make you slip or lead you to transgression by making you think that this victory was because of your sharp swords, fine horses and steadfastness in battle. Nay! By Allah, the victory is not except from Allah. Verily, Allah is Mighty, Wise.

Beware O servants of Allah – after He honoured you with this great conquest, this abundant reward, and chose you for His clear victory and joined your hands to his strong rope – beware that you commit a grave prohibition or bring forth a great disobedience, thereby becoming like her who undoes the thread which she has spun after it has become strong, or ‘like the one to whom Our signs come but he threw them away, so shaytaan followed him up, and he became of those who went astray’.

Maintain the Jihad, O servants of Allah, for it the most virtuous of your worships, the most blessed of your actions. Help Allah, He will help you. Remember Allah, he will remember you. Be grateful to Allah, he will increase you in good and reward you. Strive hard to remove the disease (of shirk), uproot the enemy, and purify the rest of the land from this filth which angers Allah and His Messenger. Cut the branches of kufr and terminate its roots, for now the days cry out: O for the revenge of Islam and the deen of Muhammad! Allah is great! He conquered and aided! He dominated and subdued! He humiliated those who disbelieve!

Know – may Allah have mercy on you – that this is the opportunity, so seize it. This is the prey, so fight for it. It is the spoil, so hasten to

obtain it. This is a most important matter, so put forth your best effort and accomplish it. Send forth your resolution as a battalion lined-up, for indeed the matters are (judged) by their ends, and each merit is by its recompense. Allah has made you victorious over this misguided enemy who were equal in number to you, or even more. So how was it when you were one to twenty? Allah, the exalted, has said,

If there are twenty steadfast persons amongst you, they will overcome two hundred, and if there be a hundred steadfast persons they will overcome a thousand of those who disbelieve, because they (the disbelievers) are people who do not understand.

I admonish you, and myself, with what He ordered of His good obedience, so obey Him, and I forbid you, and myself, from what He forbade of his disobedience, so do not disobey Him, and I seek the forgiveness of Allah, the Mighty, for myself, for you, and for all the Muslims, so seek His forgiveness.”

Then He gave a brief second khutbah, and then he made du'a for the Imam al-Nasir, the Khalifah of the time. He said,

O Allah, prolong the authority of your servant, humble in your fear, grateful for your blessings, thankful for your gifts, your sharp sword, your shining flame, the defender of your deen, the protector of your sacred land, the firm resistor, the noble master, the helping ruler, the uniter of the word of Iman, the vanquisher of those who worship the cross, the restorer of the world and the deen, the sultan of Islam and the Muslims, the purifier of al-bayt al-maqdis, Abu al-Mudhaffar Yusuf ibn Ayyub, the reviver of the State, the leader of the believers.

O Allah, extend his wide state, make the angels surround his flags, reward him for his service to the true deen, and for his firm resolution and prompt defense of the deen of Muhammad (saw). O Allah, preserve his life for the sake of Islam, protect his dominion for

the sake of Iman, and spread his call and authority in all the regions of the East and West. O Allah, just as you have liberated, upon his hands, al-bayt al-maqdis after the people had doubted, and the believers were tested, liberate upon his hands the rest of the lands on the Earth, close and far. Help him to seize kufr by its forelock. Let him scatter their squadrons, disperse their multitudes, and send them, band and band, to join their predecessors (in defeat).

Reward his efforts, O Allah, and let his orders and prohibitions be implemented in the East and West. O Allah, preserve by him the centre and frontiers of the land and all the regions of the dominion. O Allah, humiliate by him the kuffar, and disgrace by him the transgressors, and spread his authority over the great cities (of the Earth), and dispatch the battalions of his troops on the paths of the great regions (of the Earth). O Allah, establish the authority in him and in his successors till the Day of Judgment. Preserve him, his progeny, and the sons of his father, the noble leaders. Strengthen his power by granting them long life, and honour, by your will, his supporters and protectors and theirs.

O Allah, just as you have granted Islam this great favour upon his hand, which shall endure time as the months and years take their course, then grant him the eternal dominion which does not perish in the abode of the pious, and answer his du'a when he says, “My Lord, inspire and bestow upon me the power and ability that I may be grateful for your favours which you have bestowed on me and on my parents, and that I may do righteous good deeds that will please you, and admit me by your mercy among your righteous slaves.”

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“Free Naveed Butt Week”

11 May 2013 to 17 May 2013

On 11 May 2012, Naveed Butt, the official spokesman of Hizb ut-Tahrir in Pakistan, was abducted by the thugs of the Kayani-Zardari regime. On the anniversary of this heinous abduction, Hizb ut-Tahrir Wilayah Pakistan announces “Free Naveed Butt Week.” From 11 May 2013 until 17 May 2013, Muslims are to contact their relatives, former class fellows and friends in the intelligence agencies of Pakistan, especially Military Intelligence (MI) and Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI). They are to deliver the following message to the officers and other staff of these agencies, written or verbally:

“To Officer/Staff of Pakistan’s intelligence agencies:

Assalamu Alaikum, on 11 May 2012, Naveed Butt, the official spokesman of Hizb ut-Tahrir in Pakistan, was abducted upon the orders of traitors within the political and military leadership. The master of these traitors, America, fears the return of the Khilafah to our Muslim Lands, a Khilafah which will end the American presence within these lands once and for all. So, these traitors added to their many sins, by waging war on the advocates of Khilafah, inviting the anger of Allah (swt) to visit them. Allah (swt) said in the Hadeeth Qudsi, “ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ قَالَ مَنْ عَادَى لِي وَلِيًّا فَقَدْ آذَنْتُهُ

”The Messenger of Allah peace be upon him that Allah said, whomever harms my Wali I will declare a war against him ...” [Bukhari].

Thus, this small club of traitors is busy focusing you against the “internal threat” to the American Raj, which is this Ummah itself, led by its bravest and most capable sons. This

is why they ordered the abduction of civilians, such as Naveed Butt, and court martial of military officers, such as Brigadier Ali Khan. They order your institutions to undertake filthy work on their behalf, exposing all of yourselves to the punishment of Allah (swt) and the curses of the Muslim relatives of those whom you persecute, abduct and torture to please America.

As for you, know that the Americans fear that once the Khilafah is established, which Insha’Allah is only a matter of time, your institution will be as Islam demands you to be, a cause of fear for the enemies and a practical means for the supremacy of Islam. Allah (swt) said,

“And Allah does not permit the believers to grant the kafiireen a way (to supremacy) over the believers.” [Al-Nisaa: 141] Is this not what would endear you to Allah (swt), His Messenger (saw) allowing yourselves to raise your heads high in honour and dignity?

Your duty in this situation is to play your role in securing the Nussrah for Hizb ut-Tahrir to establish the Khilafah. It is this Khilafah which is mandated as a duty by our Lord, Allah (swt) and whose return if foretold by our master, Sayyidena Muhammad (saw):

تَكُونُ مُلْكًا جَبْرِيَّةً فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَىٰ مِنْهَاجِ النَّبِيِّ ثُمَّ

“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.” Then he (saw) fell silent.

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Real Change is in Change of System, Not Merely Change of Faces

Pakistan Needs a “Sadiq” and “Ameen” System, Not Merely a Ruler that claims to be “Sadiq” and “Ameen”

As a new survey was released that indicated that the majority of Pakistan’s youth support an Islamic state as opposed to democracy, Pakistan’s ruling elite backed by the judiciary attempted to revive hope in the democratic system, by disqualifying potential aspirants to the National and Provincial Assembly seats under the pretext of Articles 62 & 63 of the Constitution of Pakistan. Such desperate measures are being taken as the survey by the British Council suggested that a staggering 94% of the young generation, aged between 16 and 29 years, believe that the country is headed in the wrong direction, expressing their desire for real change in Pakistan. Afraid of the role of the Muslim youth in the Arab spring, who played a vital role in bringing down the decades old political order in the Middle East, the ruling elite in Pakistan is trying to channel the disillusionment of the youth from democracy by redefining the idea of change from a radical change of the system to a mere, cosmetic change of faces.

By disqualifying the aspirants to provincial and national assemblies on the pretext that they are corrupt and incompetent, the rulers want to convey a message that corruption and rot lies in the individuals who rule, and not the system itself, according to which they rule. But the reality of the matter is that corruption and rot lies in democracy, a system which Pakistan inherited as a legacy of the British Colonialists and which has served to secure the interests of colonialists and their agents in the civilian and military leadership for over six decades. Allah (swt) alone is the Legislator and He has defined in the Quran the criterion for the legitimate rulers. ((وَمَنْ لَّمْ يَحْكَمْ بِمَا أَنْزَلَ))

وَمَنْ لَّمْ يَحْكَمْ بِمَا أَنْزَلَ)) ((اللَّهُ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ

rule by what Allah has revealed are the transgressors” [TMQ Al-Maida: 47]

It is not enough that pious individuals with a clean financial record are elected, as rulers if they rule by laws which are not revealed by the Almighty, rather it is forbidden in Islam to be part of a system which allows election of men who are so-called “clean and pious”, but rule by Kufr laws. Democracy stipulates that human beings make laws by allowing the majority to legislate according to their whims and desires. Islam prohibits Muslims to rule by anything other than what Allah (swt) has revealed and demands that every law be derived from the Quran and Sunnah. Allah says in the Quran:

فَأَحْكُم بَيْنَهُم بِمَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ عَمَّا ((
جَاءَكَ مِنَ الْحَقِّ))

“So judge between them by what Allah has revealed and follow not their vain desires diverging away from the truth that has come to you” [TMQ Al-Maida: 48]

Real change in Pakistan will not come through the mere change of faces even if they are “Sadiq” or “Amin”. Real change in Pakistan will come when a “Sadiq” and “Amin” system is in place, a Khilafah implementing Islam in its entirety. We call upon the people of Pakistan to reject the idea of change of faces as a farce and join the struggle for changing the corrupt system of democracy by calling for the complete and comprehensive implementation of Islam through the Khilafah state.

The Media Office of Hizb ut-Tahrir in Wilayah of Pakistan

All types of 'manifesto'

The nation is now hurtling towards the polls. Hardly have the caretaker governments come in place that they are preparing to move out. Though they are governing, attention is not so much on them as on the political parties, which are depending on manifestoes or performance to be elected.

Only those parties that have been in office have performances to show, but that covers the two main contenders; for while the PML-N was in opposition at the centre, it was ruling the country's largest province, and the ANP was not only a junior partner in the Centre, but held the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa chief ministership.

It seems that only the Tehrik-i-Insaaf was in office nowhere, and thus depends on its manifesto to be elected. However, even the PPP has prepared a manifesto that is more a defence of its record, rather than a set of promises for another term. The PML-N manifesto consists of promises for re-election.

It is thus interesting that the Hizbut Tahrir has chosen this particular juncture to launch a series of public position papers. It is interesting because it is a banned organisation and thus unable to contest the election. But even if the ban was to be lifted, the Hizb would still not contest because it is one of those Muslim groups, which hold that taking part in the elections to a Parliament that can make laws and which is thus sovereign, is unIslamic because the only legislator is the Almighty himself.

But the Hizb does not oppose elections as such, only because the body for which it is being held does not acknowledge the sovereignty of the Almighty, and His legislative prerogative. It thus not only makes sense for it to issue a manifesto, but these public position papers, which consist of discussions of specific issues that are very

relevant to what is happening in Pakistan today.

In fact, these are issues that the parties are supposed to address in their manifestoes, not out of any abstract reason, but because these are the issues around which the elections will be fought.

Another reason that is self-evident for the issuing of these papers is that the Hizb is banned. It has resisted this ban vigorously, and even now has a court case against it pending. However, these papers make it the only banned organisation to take a position on such issues as load shedding, Balochistan, Indian aggression and education.

The Hizb itself is evident that Islam is not a religion of violence. However, the ban is also evidence that Islam is seen as a threat to the government, and the original ban by President Pervez Musharraf was not rescinded by his successor. A good piece of evidence that the Shahbaz government can produce that it is not the supporter of terrorists, which it is alleged to be by its opponents, is that it has maintained the ban, and has not given the Hizb any relief.

However, there are strange things happening, as people feel the increasing pressure, and thus turn away from the existing political parties, or the existing political solutions, and turn to out-of-the-box ideas. Thus, the unthinkable is now being thought. Perhaps, military takeovers do not provide the solution. Perhaps, democracy is not the answer. Certainly, the outgoing government has failed to solve the problems of the common man, such as inflation, load shedding and a subservient foreign policy.

One of the imponderables has been the effect of the Arab Spring. Elections are heightened in importance, but it seems to have been

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ignored that Pakistan already has elections, and thus while democracy may be a solution in the Arab world, it cannot be in Pakistan. When this is put together with the need for an out-of-the-box solution, the success of the JUI-F rally at Minar-i-Pakistan is, perhaps, not as much of a surprise as it was for some.

Though the JUI-F is the quintessentially traditional religious party, unlike the Hizb, it does not have any objection taking part in the elections, and Maulana Fazlur Rehman’s late father, Mufti Mahmud, was not just one of the signatories of the present constitution, but was leader of the opposition of the Assembly that passed it. Its attraction is not because of a sudden discovery of its ideology, but because it may well provide a different alternative to the PML-N, which is seen as the flipside of the same coin as has the PPP on one side.

It is noteworthy that all parties, and not just the PML-N, are burnishing their pro-religious and anti-American credentials. It should be noted that the electorate is disturbed by the pro-Indian tilt shown by the outgoing government, and does not seem hopeful that the PML-N will be particularly different.

Thus, the issue for alternatives will be foreign policy. The Hizb has issued two connected position papers, one on Indian aggression, and the other on military doctrine. In both, it discusses how the USA relies on Pakistan, particularly its armed forces, to pursue its aims in the region. It also discusses how the Caliphate will carry out the twin aims of dawah wal jihad as its foreign policy.

How is the Caliphate supposed to control the armed forces? Through control by civilians. That is supposed to be how it is done now, though there is the interesting addition that the Caliph will make all appointments to the level of brigadier.

It should be noted that the Hizb is an Ummah-wide party with a presence in most Muslim countries. Thus, these policies are not just for Pakistan, but involve other Muslim countries.

Therefore, an important element of both policies is the need for the Caliphate (or rather, Khilafah state) to unite all the Muslim lands. There is a copious quoting of the draft constitution, which implies that the Pakistan constitution (and any other Muslim countries’ constitutions) is to be replaced.

In this respect, the Hizb is, probably, the most radical of all the parties on the Pakistani political horizon. Perhaps, it can afford to be; indeed, is obliged to.

Any party that goes beyond one country has to call for the ending of at least one constitution, probably more. It is unfortunate that the shenanigans of the outgoing government have made the present constitution face, perhaps, its lowest ebb ever.

The Hizb sees this, and is offering solutions even while staying out of the poll. As it does not intend to use the poll to come to power, it could be accused to avoiding the commitment a manifesto is supposed to represent. However, worldwide, one of the problems with democracy is that parties winning office seem to ignore their manifestoes.

Another aspect that needs to be considered is whether Pakistanis can meet their aspirations, individual or collective, within the framework of their present country, or whether meeting them needs a bigger unit. There is also the alternative of revising those goals to conform with Pakistan’s size.

The Hizb clearly believes in having a bigger unit. Whether or not they are right, it should not be shut out of the debate any longer. It is in that exclusion from the national debate that the nation loses more, perhaps, than the members of the Hizb do.

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لَا يُلْدَغُ الْمُؤْمِنُ مِنْ جُحْرٍ وَاحِدٍ مَرَّتَيْنِ

“The believer is not stung from the same hole twice.” [Hadith]

Muslims have not been stung merely twice, but countless times by the current system in Pakistan. Each time new faces come through coup or election, the people curse the old faces. However, only after a while, the new faces appear even uglier and more despised than the older faces. The current system is incapable of looking after the affairs of the people and securing the rights that Allah (swt) guaranteed humankind, regardless of their race, language, gender or religion.

Pakistan's current system is a continuation of the British Raj occupation that abolished Islamic rule in the Indian Subcontinent in the first place. Even though the Muslims shed their pure blood to establish Pakistan in the name of Islam, it was the British Parliament that created Pakistan's initial legislation under its Indian Independence Act of 1947. Even though Pakistan produced its first constitution in 1956, this and every subsequent constitution, including the present 1973 constitution, has been framed around British secular law. Whilst secularism is unlike atheism, as it does not deny the Creator, it is exactly the same as atheism in denying the Creator (swt) being the sole Sovereign over humankind, ordering and forbidding them according to all that He (swt) revealed. Instead, secularism gives human-beings the choice to obey Allah (swt) or disobey Him, even though Allah (swt) has revealed, وَمَا كَانَ

لِلْمُؤْمِنِ وَلَا مُؤْمِنَةٍ إِذَا قَضَى اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَمْرًا أَنْ يَكُونَ لَهُمُ الْخِيَرَةُ مِنْ أَمْرِهِمْ وَمَنْ يَعْصِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ فَقَدْ ضَلَّ ضَلَالًا مُبِينًا “It is not befitting for a believing man or woman to have any choice in a matter,

when it has been decided upon by Allah and His Messenger.” [Surah Al-Ahzab 33:36].

The current secular constitution gives rise to the ruling system of democracy, which assigns assemblies of men and women as sovereign, allowing them to choose laws according to their whims and desires, even though Allah (swt) said, وَأَنْ احْكُم بَيْنَهُمْ بِمَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ وَاحْذَرْهُمْ أَنْ يَفْتِنُوكَ عَنْ بَعْضِ مَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ

إِلَيْكَ. “And judge between them by what Allah has revealed, and do not follow their desires, and beware (O Muhammad) that they might seduce you from some of what Allah has sent down to you.” [Surah Al-Maaida 5:49]. It is this democracy gives the right to any ruler, minister or member of assembly to choose to command what Allah (swt) has forbidden or to choose to forbid what Allah (swt) has commanded. It is this democracy that makes lords over humankind besides Allah (swt). Bayhaqi reported that Adiyi ibn Hatim, said: “I came to the Prophet wearing a cross of gold in my neck. And I heard him read from Surah Baraa'ah, اتَّخَذُوا

“They took the rabbis and monks as lords beside Allah” [Surah At-Tawba 9:31]. I said, “O RasulAllah, they do not worship them. He said: أَجَلٌ وَلَكِنْ يَحْتَلُونَ لَهُمْ مَا حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ فَيَسْتَحِلُّونَهُ وَيَحْرَمُونَ عَلَيْهِمْ مَا أَحَلَّ اللَّهُ فَيَحْرَمُونَهُ فَتَلْكُ عِبَادَتَهُمْ لَهُمْ

“Yes, but they made Halal for them what Allah forbade and they took it as Halal and they made Haram for them what Allah

made Halal and they took it as Haraam and that is how they worshipped them."

The Objectives Resolution of 1949 does not fix secular democracy's denial of Allah (swt) as sole and effective Sovereign over humankind. In fact, although this resolution begins by stating that 'sovereignty over the entire universe belongs to Allah Almighty alone,' it promptly transfers this sovereignty to the 'Constituent Assembly,' an assembly of men and women, though Islam mandates sovereignty is only for Allah (swt). As for Article 227 of the constitution that provides for all existing laws to be brought in "conformity with the injunctions of Islam," again this article gives the ultimate choice to the assembly. Thus, it is Pakistan's secular democracy that has allowed successive governments, in over six decades, to prevent the implementation of most of Islam, if not nearly all of it, even though Allah revealed, أ

فَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِبَعْضِ الْكِتَابِ وَتَكْفُرُونَ بِبَعْضٍ فَمَا جَزَاءُ مَنْ يَفْعَلُ ذَلِكَ مِنْكُمْ إِلَّا خِزْيٌ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَيَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ يُرَدُّونَ إِلَىٰ أَشَدِّ الْعَذَابِ

"Do you believe in a part of the Book and reject the rest? What else, then should be the retribution of those among you who do this than that they should live in degradation in the present life, and that on the Day of Resurrection they should be sent to the severest chastisement?" [Surah Al-Baqarah 2:85]

O Muslims of Pakistan!

It is democracy, designed by and inherited from the colonialist Kuffar that separates our Ummah from Islam and its ruling system of Khilafah, whether in Pakistan, Egypt or Turkey, Tunisia or Indonesia. The claim that yet more elections within this system would bring change of system is a lie made to secure this system from abolition. Anyone who becomes part of democracy can never bring any change whosoever he may be and forever long he ruled. It is upon us all to turn away from this rotten system now and mobilize for

the establishment of the Islamic Khilafah state.

Know that it is the Khilafah alone that assigns Sovereignty to Allah (swt) only. It is the Khilafah alone whose constitution is established on the revealed sources, the Quran and the Sunnah. Neither the elected Khaleefah nor the elected men and women of the Majlis-e-Ummah have any choice in referring to Islam, for they must always refer to Islam. It is the Khilafah alone that has establishes each and every article of the constitution upon Islamic evidences. Thus it is the Khilafah alone that ensures our education, foreign policy, economy, judiciary, consultation; accounting and removing of rulers are all according to Islam. It is only this Khilafah which will look after our affairs as Islam commanded. RasulAllah (saw) said, كانت بنو

إسرائيل تسوسهم الأنبياء، كلما هلك نبي خلفه نبي، وأنه لا نبي بعدي، وستكون خلفاء فتكثروا، قالوا فما تأمرنا؟ قال: فؤا بيعة الأول فالأول، وأعطوهم حقهم، فإن الله سألهم عما استرعاهم

"The Prophets looked after the affairs of Bani Isra'eel. Whenever a Prophet died, he would be succeeded by another. There is no Prophet after me, but there will be many Khulafa'a." They asked, "What do you order us?" He said, "Give them the Bayah one after another, one at a time, give them their right for Allah will ask them about their affairs." [Muslim]

Know also that there is no leadership crisis in Pakistan, if you look outside of this corrupt system and those who line up to enter it. Hizb ut-Tahrir is amongst us to lead us to the establishment of the Khilafah. Hizb ut-Tahrir has prepared an entire constitution of 191 articles, accompanied with divine evidences from the Quran and Sunnah. It has prepared a library of books elaborating upon Islam, its solutions and its method of implementation. It has produced armies of capable, aware and

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Democracy itself is a Drone Attack on Pakistan's Security

America's drone attack on our territory on Wednesday is a violent reminder that Kayani is no less treasonous than Musharraf and democracy gives an open hand to all traitors. After years of denial, General Musharraf in a 12 April 2013 interview with CNN confirmed that he had approved of drone attacks on our soil. In fact, since 2004, the drone attacks have killed thousands of Muslim civilians with the full complicity of traitors in the political and military leadership.

This treason was made possible by Democracy which allows legislation without any regard to Quran and Sunnah. So with the blessing of Democracy, traitors in the military leadership asked the then US Centcom military chief, Fallon, for drone attacks to continue unabated. In an American embassy cable of February 2008, it was stated that, "Kayani asked if Fallon could assist in providing continuous Predator coverage of the conflict area." And Democracy allowed the traitors in the political leadership to cover for Kayani's treachery. In August 2008, the then Prime Minister Gillani told the then US Ambassador to Pakistan Anne Patterson, "We'll protest in the National Assembly and then ignore it." Democracy itself is a drone attack on Pakistan, Islam and the Ummah.

Yes, Musharraf is cheap enough to sell himself as a scapegoat for the sake of America's new chief agent Kayani, but the fact remains that we will continue to witness treachery as long as democracy is implemented in Pakistan. No matter who comes to power in democracy, the laws will be made according to the whims and desires of the colonialist West, particularly America. This is clear from those who are lining up to take power within the Democratic system. Not one of their manifestos, so-called policies and wish-lists has a single reference to the Noble Quran and Blessed Sunnah as a basis

for their policies. So if any one of these parties is elected, there will be more Musharrafs and Kayanis, for Democracy is there to make "Halal" their open and flagrant Haraam.

Hizb ut-Tahrir confirms and re-affirms to the Muslims that such foreign policy humiliation will continue as long as we are without a Khilafah, which will implement Islam and permanently eradicate the hostile US presence in the region. And Hizb ut-Tahrir is the only political party in the entire Ummah that is capable of delivering its promises. Hizb ut-Tahrir's constitution and vast collection of books and documents on the Khilafah, all established upon Islamic evidences, are for implementation from the moment it comes to power. Hizb ut-Tahrir is the only political party in the entire world that has six decades of experience in exposing, challenging and foiling the Western colonialist plans. It has armies of brave, defiant and capable politicians, skilled Islamic jurists, for the implementation of Islam, which Pakistan's press has correctly described as a "shadow government," ready to rule. It has a presence throughout the Muslim World and is capable of delivering its promise to unify all the Muslim World as a single state, a Khilafah for the entire Ummah. And it alone has a global leader who has with wisdom and dynamism brought the Ummah to the very brink of real change, Shaikh Ata Ibn Khalil Abu Rushta, the Ameer of Hizb ut-Tahrir. It is time for the end of American stooges, capitalism and Democracy. Now is the time for Hizb ut-Tahrir led by Sheikh Ata, Islam and its Khilafah. So officers of the armed forces of Pakistan, it is upon you to grant the Nussrah to Hizb ut-Tahrir for the immediate establishment of Khilafah, so that real change which Pakistan needs can take hold.

IMF Prepares Pakistan's Budget

Abolish Democracy, Establish Khilafah to Restore Economic Sovereignty

Regardless of the changes of faces on 11 May 2013, democracy will ensure that our budget is made by the colonialists. During its April 17-22 visit to the United States, a six-member delegation, including the secretaries for finance and economic affairs, the SBP governor, additional secretary for external finance and chairman of the Federal Board of Revenue, will take orders from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and key officials of the US treasury department about our budget. Then as has happened every year, whether under democracy or dictatorship, a Letter of Intent will be signed and then the American approved Pakistani budget will be unleashed on an already crippled economy, after elections for a change in faces.

Under the supervision of the IMF and its partner in economic destruction, the World Bank; Pakistan has been strangled by huge taxation on earnings and consumption of goods which is constantly being increased as a proportion of the total revenue. In 2011-12, the government extracted Rs. 730,000 million in income taxes alone, which is more than the entire revenue collected in 2002-3. This has meant that the labour force, blue and white collar workers are facing ever greater hardships, with increased taxation eating away at their wages. Moreover, in the 2012-13 budgets, the government is now chasing a target of a staggering Rs. 914,000 million. Consider also sales tax that has swollen from 9% to 43% of the state's major taxes. It is this sales tax that has made buying medicine, food, inputs for agriculture and industry unbearable for people, choking their ability to contribute

to the economy and secure basic needs. In 2011-12, the government extracted Rs. 852,030 million in general sales taxes and in the 2012-13 budget, the target is Rs. 1,076,500 million.

As long as the democracy system remains, the situation will worsen, no matter who comes to power. Democracy can only produce such failure as it is designed to neglect the affairs of the people and this is why all those who seek power in this rotten system are also calling for increased taxation in their manifestos.

Hizb ut-Tahrir's campaign is far more substantial than just a simple boycott of elections for democratic leaders, as misreported in the press. Hizb ut-Tahrir's campaign is to abolish democracy and establish the Khilafah under the leadership of its Ameer, the distinguished jurist and politician, Sheikh Ata Ibnu Khalil Abu Arrashtah. Only under the Khilafah will elected rulers and representatives have any real meaning.

And only under the Khilafah will economic sovereignty be restored. Islam does not rely on taxation on income and consumption as virtually the sole means to generate revenue. Its revenue generation is based on accrued wealth beyond the basic needs or upon actual production. Even when the Khilafah does tax, it is with stringent conditions that are based upon accumulated wealth, so it does not penalize the poor and under-privileged who are unable to secure their basic needs. And this is aside from the huge revenue that the

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state will generate from state owned and publicly owned enterprises such as energy resources, machinery and infrastructure manufacture. Industry will thrive in the Khilafah. It will not be strangled by taxes for all manner of crucial inputs, from energy to machinery. Instead, the state will generate revenue from profits of the trade and accrued trading merchandise. This allows businesses to focus on production without fetters, whilst circulation is ensured through their giving of revenues from their profits or accrued wealth. In Islam, the taxation is not based on consumption of agricultural inputs, but on production from the land, which enables the farmer to maximize the production, without being slowed down by over-expensive inputs.

So, it is time to abolish democracy and establish the Khilafah, which will restore prosperity and security to this Ummah by its implementation of the Deen of Truth.

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committed, men and women to advise and account the rulers of the Khilafah in their implementation of Islam. It works throughout the Muslim world and is the world's largest party working for the unification of the Muslim World as a single Khilafah state. And it is full of politically capable jurists (Fuqaha'a) such as its Ameer, Sheikh Ata Abu Rishta, who has the capability, wisdom and experience to lead this entire Ummah. What remains for us is the question that many of us ask already, **“How can I help Hizb ut-Tahrir establish the Khilafah?”** The answer:

Our first duty is to raise our voice with Hizb ut-Tahrir against the Kufr systems of democracy and dictatorship. We must join in Hizb ut-Tahrir's campaign that is taking

place throughout the country to turn away from these man-made systems, dictatorship and democracy. We must harshly account any politician or political party that calls us to these corrupt systems and advise them to contact Hizb ut-Tahrir in order to work for real change, the re-establishment of the Khilafah.

Our second duty is to raise our voice with Hizb ut-Tahrir for our system, the Khilafah Rashida. We must join Hizb ut-Tahrir now and prepare ourselves so that we can bring the Khilafah again. Hizb ut-Tahrir has the capacity to prepare all of us so that we are able to carry the knowledge to others. So let us fulfill our duty to establish Islam and join Hizb ut-Tahrir now.

Our third duty is to call to ensure the Nussrah for the re-establishment of the Khilafah. We must contact our uncles, fathers, brothers and sons in the armed forces to give the Nussrah to Hizb ut-Tahrir for the Khilafah. They must reject the false call of the traitor Kayani to support yet another round of democracy. Urge them to Clasp their hands firmly with Hizb ut-Tahrir now, remembering their brothers-in-arms who preceded them in establishing Islam as a state and a rule in Madinah, by giving the material support (Nussrah) to RasulAllah (saw), such as Saad (ra). When Sa'ad (ra) died, his mother wept and RasulAllah (saw) told her, « ليرقاً (لينقطع) دمعاك، ويذهب حزنك، فإن ابنك أول من ضحك الله له » «Your tears would recede and your sorrow be lessened if you know that your son is the first person for whom Allah

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smiled and His Throne trembled.” [At-
Tabarani]

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An Ideological Approach Towards the Economy

There seems to be a widespread consensus within Pakistan's intelligentsia that Pakistan's economy is in a mess. That this is indeed the case is something which is felt by the Pakistani street for some time now. But given the disconnection which exists between a conservative populace and liberal ruling elite such convergence of perceptions is hard to find. It is however the lack of intellectual discourse on economic ideas and solutions which is an extremely worrying trend within the Pakistani polity. Pakistan's liberal intelligentsia is obsessed with perfecting the structure of the state and balancing or ensuring the separation of power between institutions of the state. A historical analysis of political and intellectual trends within Pakistan suggests that, civil military relations, provincial autonomy and recently the executive judiciary balance of powers have dominated the Pakistani political and intellectual landscape. Such has been the frequency of these discussions and their recurrence that over the years a broader narrative has emerged which narrowly defines this select vision for Pakistan which has been adopted by the political parties and the liberal intelligentsia at large. That civilian supremacy, provincial autonomy and institutional restraint, if ensured, would lead Pakistan and its people out of the misery they find themselves today. This narrow vision and intellectual obsession has all but stifled intellectual discourse on key ideas related to organization of people's affairs. Although foreign policy and ideological identity of the Pakistani people are other topics which are very strongly debated within Pakistan but such discussions are also held hostage to strict ideological biases of a liberal elite which has locked itself in to an intellectual paradigm of Western dependence and Secular identity and would not allow any debate or questions on such a paradigm.

It is however the discussions on economic ideas which is almost nonexistent in this intellectual discourse. Consider the near unanimity of proposed economic reforms as an example. There is a consensus on increasing the tax to GDP ratio, the need to cut social security programs like giving out subsidies on fuel and electricity, to cut to size the non performing state owned enterprises by privatizing them, to continue foreign lending and foreign investment as a means to stimulate the economy and to pursue a policy of austerity in state expenditure, including defense. For some this unanimity suggests a commonality of vision towards how the economy should move forward. It is in fact quite the opposite. It is rather the complete absence of any vision at all for the economy which has resulted in this consensus. These solutions as they appear in the media are presented by retired economists working for international financial institutions or retired government officials who have worked closely with these institutions. These solutions are proposed by Western Governments and international multilateral institutions like the IMF and the World Bank and are taken directly from them without any considerations as to whether such solutions will help solve Pakistan's economic problems. The collapse of the international financial system designed by Western governments followed by the sovereign debt crisis which has rocked Europe and threatens the very existence of the European Monetary Union and the prolonged recession which has hit Western nations and which has entered its sixth consecutive year has not led to any debate or discussions in Pakistan. Surely, if the proposed economic solutions for Pakistan are indeed that good, wouldn't such solutions be helping make the economies of the Western world any better? And if they aren't doesn't this require a critical scrutiny of such economic

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prescriptions? But we have seen none so whatever. The consensus prevails.

The economic prescriptions for Pakistan's economy which enjoy near unanimous consensus within the intelligentsia are based on capitalist principles and ideals. The intelligentsia within the Muslim World was mesmerized with West's economic and scientific growth and holds Western economic solutions in almost divine reverence so much so that these solutions are followed blindly despite the obvious flaws within them. Consider the current approach towards the energy crisis. Capitalism values private property in high regard. It believes that the motivation for profit is the drive which leads human beings towards innovation and creativity. It believes that human intellectual and physical efforts are mobilized best in pursuit of personal gains. By creating competition between different human beings this energy can be used as a force for driving the economy. The personal stake, the quest to increase private wealth, ensures good quality and passion as well as better managerial skills in running businesses. Thus governments which are representative entities should not run businesses and the economy should be driven through private enterprise. This is one of the fundamental views of capitalism towards economy and business. It is this idea of what drives the economy in capitalist thought which was attacked by Karl Marx who then went on to give an alternative economic and political model to that of capitalism. It should be noted that the Western World was following the capitalist economic principles as they were presented by Adam Smith and David Ricardo when Karl Marx was born. Karl Marx attacked the idea that profit and personal gain should be the driving force behind the economy. He saw in Europe that an economy based on such principles results in concentration of wealth in a small capitalist class at the expense of the whole society. The personal stake while good for competition and creativity was also a force of individual greed where the economic needs of individual businesses and wealthy investors took priority over that of the economic needs of the society resulting in widespread suffering

especially amongst the poor or what he called the working class. For Marx this suffering, as he witnessed it in Europe was on such a wider scale that he called for abandoning the personal stake and the motivation for profit as being the driving force behind the economy. For this he advocated the abolishment of private property and called for collective ownership of everything the society produces. As for the drive or the energy which should run the economy Marx suggested that this should be the needs of the society. So the motivation for economic activity should not be profit rather fulfilling the needs of the society. Although Marx did not suggest as to how this would be done practically, Lenin later on used Marx's ideas and advocated that the State should own everything and should guide economic activity to fulfill the needs of the society.

So what is the way forward? Private Ownership and motivation for profit as a drive for running the economy or State ownership and the motivation of fulfilling the needs of the society as the driving force for the economy?

Islam has addressed this issue by presenting a different viewpoint towards economy and ownership. It has sought to bring in the human angle in economic principles. It has opposed the complete abolition of private ownership as being against the nature of human beings and his instinctive energy for security resulting in want of owning properties and the like. It has however proposed partial abolition of private ownership. It has looked at partial abolishment of ownership from the angle of giving the needs of the society priority over the needs of the individual. So if individual ownership of a property which by its nature would result in the community being deprived of the benefit of such a property then the ownership of that property is prohibited like public roads, town squares, rivers, seas and the like. A road or a river by their nature serves the need of the community. Such a property cannot be privately owned because it would be giving the needs of individual more priority over the needs of the society. If the nature of the property however does not require abolishment of individual

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ownership then it is allowed to own it individually given that it does not deprive the community from accessing that property. If however, private ownership of such a commodity would result in the individual benefiting from it at the cost of the community then such private ownership is prohibited. For example mineral resources, electricity, gas and petrol (energy resources in general). So while coal, gas, petrol, salt and the like are used by individuals for their personal needs the private ownership of a coal or salt mines or gas or petrol fields would result in an individual benefiting from it at the expense of the community. So while salt, gas, petrol and electricity can be privately owned salt and coal mines, gas and petrol fields and electricity generating plants and dams cannot. It was narrated in the book At-Tirmidhi which is a collection of sayings of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) that Abyadh ibn Hammal **came to the Prophet(SAW)and asked him to grant him a salt laden land, and he (SAW) granted it to him. And when he left, one person in attendance with the Prophet (SAW)said, “Do you know what you granted him? You granted him the uncountable water (Al ‘udd)”. He(SAW)then took it away from him.”** The Prophet (SAW) took back from Abyadh the salt mine because he was informed that it is one of those resources which do not deplete. So Islam has divided ownership in to State, Public and Private Property. The State managing the State and Public property while individuals owning the private property.

As for the energy and motivation which drives the economy in Islam, the concept of three distinct properties has produced a net positive energy for driving the economy. The individual ownership and quest for profit would result in creativity and passion which results from production for the sake of motivation for profit. However by refusing private ownership of certain types of properties Islam has ensured that the motivation for profit does not result in the needs of the individuals taking priority over the needs of the society. So the state directly looks after the needs of the society while the individuals continue to produce for profit. In

this way the energy which drives the economy is private entrepreneurship and a guardian state which caters to the society’s needs.

The acute energy crisis which has hit Pakistan cannot be solved with administrative measures like eliminating the circular debt, removing subsidies and diversifying energy resources. For this crisis to be solved in a manner in which cheap and affordable energy is available to the people the private ownership of electricity generating plants and oil and gas fields must be abolished and the state needs to supervise their management directly. This means that these resources would not be allowed to be business commodities for private multinationals and investors. They belong to the people and State

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However, if love of this life and fear of death overtakes you and slows you down from this duty, then the very least you can do is to secure the release of Naveed Butt, a man who loves death in the cause of Islam as others would love this life, short and fleeing in its pleasures. And regarding the seeking of excuses to release Naveed Butt from his abduction, consider only how you hope to excuse yourself on the Day of Judgement before Allah (swt) when Naveed brings witness against you.

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Popes and caliphs

This is with reference to Dr Pervez Hoodbhoy's article "On choosing Popes and Caliphs" (March 22). By presenting his argument through giving the example of the process of electing the Catholic pope and drawing parallels between the pope and the caliph, Dr Hoodbhoy has at least admitted what his fellow liberals shy away from; that in drawing his conclusions about the role of religion in Muslim societies, he is borrowing from the intellectual experience of the Western world.

The bloodbath which Dr Hoodbhoy refers to was the result of deadly sectarian wars between Catholic and Protestant adherents of the Christian faith, when the Protestant Reformation movement arose in Europe. These wars plagued Europe for over a century in which, hundreds of thousands of Christians from both faiths died. Dr Hoodbhoy imagines that the Shia-Sunni divide in the Muslim world is the same as that of the Catholic-Protestant divide of Europe and the resultant sectarian violence which we are witnessing in Pakistan should be resolved in the same manner in which Europe resolved its problem with religion — by separating the temporal from the religion. This argument is flawed for a number of reasons.

First of all, the death toll in the Muslim world due to this sectarian violence is not even a shadow of what was witnessed in Europe's wars of religion. Secondly, at the time of Europe's sectarian wars, the temporal authority was with the Catholic Church when the Protestant movement rose against it, whereas in today's Muslim world, the temporal authority rests with the secular ruling class whose failed policy of assimilation has resulted in divisions in society. Thirdly, Dr Hoodbhoy is either unaware or is deliberately choosing to ignore the geopolitical considerations for sectarian violence in Pakistan, which are directly linked to Pakistan's flawed foreign policy of siding with the US and fighting its wars.

Fourthly, the huge volume of Islamic culture related to jurisprudence, in which different legal schools of thought flourished under the caliphate suggests that Islam not only tolerates, rather encourages, diversity of opinion and apart from a basic set of ideas and laws, it does not demand unity of thought and opinion. Lastly, the caliphate governed the Muslim lands for over a millennium in which not just different schools of thought within Islam flourished but minorities enjoyed full protection of their rights. If the caliphs and his governors were as bloodthirsty as Dr Hoodbhoy suggests, then how does he explain the Hindu majority under the Islamic rule in India or Coptic Christians and Jews present in Islamic lands after the destruction of the Ottoman caliphate? Perhaps, it is time Dr Hoodbhoy and his fellow liberals muster the courage to shun ideas borrowed from Western Europe's intellectual and political experience and start afresh their studies by analysing the Muslim world's experience with religion.

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Is democracy's next revenge Kayani's further promotion?

It is no surprise to Hizb ut-Tahrir that it was General Kayani and not President Zardari that met with President Karzai in the NATO Conference in Brussels on 24 April. General Kayani is the actual ruler of Pakistan with democracy, "the best revenge," as a screen to hide his hands holding the reins of power. Moreover, Kayani personally needs to ensure that his American masters establish a permanent presence in Afghanistan, under the cover of a limited and partial withdrawal, so will not delegate this dirty job to Zardari.

It will also be no surprise to Hizb ut-Tahrir if General Kayani achieves a further promotion for his loyal service to America. Say, a promotion as a five star general, becoming Chief of Defense Staff, but only after making sure that the post he vacates, the Chief of Army Staff, has been reduced to a weak, almost ceremonial post. And why would America not reward Kayani, whose rap sheet of crimes against this Ummah is as least as long as Musharraf's? Indeed, Kayani played a key role from the beginning of America's war, first as Musharraf's right hand man, serving as Corps X Commander, as well as DGMO and DG ISI, and now as Chief of Army Staff. Kayani's collaboration allowed the ensnaring of our armed forces in the tribal areas, laying the basis for attacks on our sovereignty such as the Abbottabad operation, allowing the existence of a Raymond Davis network to orchestrate target killings and bombings, establishing and protecting the NATO supply line, establishing an American Raj in the country by means of democracy, allowing America to threaten our nuclear assets, ensuring a blood bath in Lal Masjid and Jamia Hafsa and burying the Kashmir cause.

If democracy was capable of justice, it would have Kayani arrested, tried and confined to the dungeons that presently house capable politicians like Naveed Butt and heroic officers like Brigadier Ali. But democracy is not capable of anything but rejection of Islam and its commands. This is why the Viceroy of Pakistan, the US Ambassador said with confidence that "Democracy is our horse in Pakistan." So Hizb ut-Tahrir asks the election candidates for the throne of shame, Democracy, which of you wants to win the prize of delivering Democracy's next revenge against Pakistan, Muslims and Islam, Kayani's promotion? Is it not high time that you called for the abolition of democracy and the establishment of the Khilafah?

And as final words for Kayani himself, if you have any sense you would learn the lesson of your mentor Musharraf. America will throw you on the side of the street as soon as it has no use of you, even if you piled skulls and bones of Muslims high into the sky through fighting America's crusade. Do not believe that the Ummah will ever forget your crimes after the Khilafah is established, thought the least of your repentance would be to make way for the sincere officers to give the Nussrah to Hizb ut-Tahrir for the immediate resumption of Islam as a way of life, through its Khilafah. And do not deceive yourself that you have much time left to make this repentance, for you will be seized soon Insha'Allah from where you did not expect, Insha'Allah. Allah SWT said **وَسَيَعْلَمُ** الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا أَيَّ مُنْقَلَبٍ يَنْقَلِبُونَ "The oppressors will come to know by what overturning they will be overturned." [Surah Ash-Sharaa 26:227]

Media office of Hizb ut-Tahrir in Pakistan

Hizb ut-Tahrir holds protests against Tirah Valley Operation

No more fuel for America's Crusade

Hizb ut-Tahrir held countrywide protests in condemnation of the wasteful Tirah Valley Operations that have resulted in the death of dozens of soldiers and tribal Muslims. These operations were initiated on Friday, 5 April 2013, without announcement, by traitors in Pakistan's leadership. Such operations exploit our armed forces in order to save the cowardly American occupying forces in Afghanistan from the armed resistance of the Muslims in the tribal areas that lie between Pakistan and Afghanistan. Protestors held banners and placards declaring "**Tirah Valley Operation: Don't allow Pak Army to be fuel for American crusade**" and "**Tirah Valley Operation: Slavery to America, Betrayal of Ummah**". The protestors called for a stop to using the Pakistan Army as a fuel for America's crusade in the tribal areas.

General Kayani has proven by the Tirah Valley Operations that he is the actual ruler of Pakistan, whilst a caretaker democratic government sits on its hands in Islamabad. Only the securing of American interests concerns Kayani and his small club of traitors in Pakistan's leadership, whilst the entire country is stricken by huge electrical shortages in blistering heat with tens of millions deprived of even the use of fans to cool themselves. Moreover, rather than seizing these tyrants for their flagrant violation of Islam and neglect of the Ummah,

democracy and dictatorship grant "legal" backing for their actions, as they are both man-made systems that trample over the commands and prohibitions stipulated by Allah (swt).

Hizb ut-Tahrir calls the armed forces of Pakistan to grant it the Nussrah to secure the return of the Khilafah to these Muslims Lands. Indeed, only Hizb ut-Tahrir is amongst us to lead us to the establishment of this Khilafah and end the dark days of American hegemony. Hizb ut-Tahrir has prepared an entire constitution of 191 articles, accompanied with divine evidences from the Quran and Sunnah. It has prepared a library of books elaborating upon Islam, its solutions and its method of implementation. It has produced armies of capable, aware and committed, men and women to advise and account the rulers of the Khilafah in their implementation of Islam. It works throughout the Muslim world and is the world's largest party working for the unification of the Muslim World as a single Khilafah state. And it is full of politically capable jurists (Fuqaha'a), and at the forefront is its Ameer, the honorable scholar Sheikh Ata Ibnu Khalil Abu Arrashtah who has the capability to lead this entire Ummah, with the grace of Allah the Almighty.

The Media Office of Hizb ut-Tahrir in Wilayah of Pakistan



Islamabad: Members of Hizb ut-Tahrir Wilayah Pakistan protesting against Tirah Valley Operation



Karachi: Protestors demand that Pakistan's Army should not be used as fuel for the American War



Lahore: Members of Hizb ut-Tahrir display banners and placards against Tirah Valley Operation



Lahore: Protestors chant slogans against the civilian and military leadership for their treachery

Result of the Strategic Pact (The House of the Spider)

Karzai's chief of staff, Abdul Karim Khurram said on April 28 that NATO forces provided enough space and opportunity to the Pakistan forces, so they could continue building the door and other security installations. For this reason, Karzai sent a letter to his master President Barrack Obama to take this issue seriously and force Pakistan to withdraw, based on the strategic pact signed between the two states. Khurram further stated that we haven't received any response from the White House in the last two weeks. At the meantime, NATO forces declined to comment on the issue; and ask for further investigations.

Hizb ut Tahrir Wilayah Afghanistan has already advised these incurable and puppet rulers not to obey the capitalistic US and NATO forces; instead they should obey their lord Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw), by rejecting the strategic pact with the crusaders, as they are actively waging war against our Ummah. However, they betrayed the Ummah and signed the strategic pact. Moreover, like an inexperienced child, they intended to sign the security pact as soon as possible.

The rulers of both, Afghanistan and Pakistan are trying to retain the legacy of the former British Empire and the cancer of the Durand line in order to burn the fire of separation and discord between Muslims of the two sides. The US and NATO, therefore, have played a main role in keeping this fire on. It'll benefit them in the long run, particularly, by delaying the takeover of both countries by the imminent Khilafah State, which will guarantee their political, geographical and intellectual unity.

Realities on the ground; meanwhile, have shown that neither Strategic pacts nor Security pacts have ensured Afghanistan's security and sovereignty; rather, it has helped the US to consolidate its roots throughout the region and to use Afghanistan as its base for spreading colonization, insecurity and war on Islam and Muslims. Yet the door of repentance and return is still open. They can leave their alliance with those crusades that are in war with us and turn to Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw), by mobilizing the Ummah's energy for the reestablishment of the Khilafah state on the method of the Prophet (saw). So, take heed, o rulers, from the fate of those whom you know well, Musharaf, Qadafi, Mubarak, and so on.... Otherwise, you'll be soon put on the trial of the Khilafah state or you'll face the severe punishment of the Akhirah.

((مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ اتَّخَذُوا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ أَوْلِيَاءَ كَمَثَلِ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ اتَّخَذَتْ بَيْتًا وَإِنَّ أَوْهَنَ الْبُيُوتِ لَبَيْتُ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ لَوْ كَانُوا يَعْلَمُونَ))

“The parable of those who take protectors other than Allah is that of the spider, who builds (to itself) a House; but truly the flimsiest of houses is the spider's house; - if they but knew.”

"Green Book" Pakistan's Revised Military Doctrine

Mohammad Adeel, Karachi

The Pakistan military top brass has made unprecedented changes to her 66 years old military doctrine, for the first time focus of army is about to shift from eastern borders to western borders and towards local militancy in tribal areas and in Baluchistan.

The Green Book that shows the new trend of doctrine is for the sake of so called national security and deliberately neglected mention the presence of Blackwater and the like, the US agencies involved in terrorist activities in Pakistan. In other words our top brass has accepted the American physical invasion of Pakistan. It is baffling to learn of Pakistan's recent U turn in military doctrine especially when we look at history filled with numerous outstanding issues with India ever since the pseudo independence of Pakistan and India from the British Raj in 1947. These issues include the all important Jammu Kashmir, West Pakistan (Bangladesh), Sir creek, Siachen glacier, water distribution, nuclear armaments and insurgency in FATA & Baluchistan the list goes on.

The two countries have set down oft times but with very little success mainly due to the lack of sobriety shown by India to resolve Kashmir issue. To oblige the US, the Pakistani leadership stepped down and buried the long felt demand of Pakistani nation, the Kashmir cause, just to achieve headway in a "peace process" with India.

In recent tensions with India at the LoC (Line of Control), the Indian army violated the ceasefire treaty number of times in last ten days but unfortunately Pakistan's top brass and foreign office has done nothing, asides from rhetoric. On the other hand, Indian PM Manmohan Singh warns Pakistan saying "it cannot be business as usual with Pakistan after deadly exchanges along disputed Kashmir border." Earlier the Indian Army Chief warned Pakistan that India reserves the right to retaliate at the "time and place" of its choosing and also call for troops to aggressively respond to Pakistan. Pakistani hockey players were sent back and the visa arrival scheme has been deferred. In such a critical situation unfortunately, our COAS and political leadership is hiding somewhere and this time again it will be Pakistan who will step down from its long standing interests to defuse the current tension.

This betrayal by Pakistan's political and military leadership of the Muslims in Kashmir, Pakistan and Afghanistan is because they are playing a key facilitator role in US Asia pivot; the background of US Asia pivot is to contain the rise of China, as well as face the inevitable outcome of the Muslim uprising for Islam and Islamic ruling.

It depends upon how US will pressurize China from three fronts: India, Central Asian republics and Asia pacific region respectively. The US will desperately want to exert pressure on China through India, the pressure will be economic and as well as militarily, consequently it is evident that US is

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working to strengthen ties with India economically as well as militarily. From the second front America will most likely want to draw the energy from Central Asian republics via Afghanistan to Arabian Sea, resultant in depriving China of its much needed energy. From the third side, US pressurizing China through the natural conflict that China has in the Asia Pacific region, we have witnessed recent tension escalations between China and the rest of the region i.e. Japan, Philippines, Taiwan Myanmar etc .The first US pressure valve India, will not be operational in the presence of its most powerful rival at the western border, Pakistan. It will always disquiet India and in these circumstances India can’t even deem to offset or even invent any sort of difficulties for China, so the US is anxious to re-tune the ties between India Pakistan to ease out India from her western borders.

In fact the US desires Pakistan to meekly hand out the nation’s sovereignty to decidedly unreliable neighbor and pave a way for Delhi to become a regional power, only then India can stand against the rise of China. Pakistan is also playing a vital role on the second front of US in containment of China as America needs a very stable Afghanistan to withdraw energy from central Asian republics, which cannot be achieve without Pakistan’s assistance.

Pakistan’s military and political command is clearly formulating to move their defense forces from untrustworthy Indian border s towards Afghan borders in subservience of US, without the help of Pakistan’s submissive leadership America will not be able to succeed in her Asia pivot strategy. It is under the same perspective that Government of Pakistan suddenly showed willingness to give India a status of MFN (Most Favorite Nation)l, whilst on the other hand the political and military headship is blaming India for spreading terrorist activities in Baluchistan and FATA and used these arguments to provoke the armed forces to wage bloody war against its own citizens. Despite all the recent escalations at LOC and other anti Pakistan activities from Delhi, Islamabad maintains a shameful subjugation of all its security interests to India.

And within this American initiative to raise a bloc against China, led by India with Pakistan in submissive and subordinate toe, America will address its deep seated concern that Islam would arise in Pakistan as a Khilafah, lending the Muslim Ummah a powerful and independent state to challenge the American plans.

It is not the time for the Muslims in the country to submit to another round of democracy. Neither tested nor untested politicians nor anybody else can stop the ongoing treachery within this system. The nature of this capitalist democratic system permits and drives every leading light to serve US interests, no matter if American interest lies in hurting or killing thousands of Muslims or in the detriment of Islam.

It is this western made democratic system that enables American agents to hold the top seats and highest brass badges. Only the Islamic Khilafah State can secure the interest of Muslims around the globe and only through Islamic state Muslim world can break the shackles of US hegemony.

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Failure of Pakistani Politicians

In an article published in the Carnegie Endowment for Peace on April 4th 2013, , authors [Frederic Grare](#) and Reece Trevor made an interesting statement about the effect of results of the Pakistani elections on foreign policy. They state:

“The competing political parties in Pakistan have defined their foreign policy priorities only vaguely, and the likelihood of coalition building will further dilute each party’s ability to enact its preferred policies”

The recent meeting between US Secretary of State, John Kerry, Afghan President Karzai and Pakistani Chief of Army Kiyani in Brussels in the absence of any civilian representative underscored this viewpoint. Furthermore, the silence of the political parties on this issue and the lack of any strategy to counter US policy in the region indicates that there is no vision whatsoever for the Muslims of Pakistan and this region. The tragedy is not just that they donot have a vision, it is that they donot have any feelings for the Muslims of the region, for it is this feeling that drives the desire to define policies for the protection of Muslims, their wealth and property.

The focus of this article is to show that Pakistan stands at a critical juncture, not in terms of elections, but in terms of the geostrategic changes that are in motion. The reality is that Pakistan is key to this change, and it is in a position to effect change, only if the politicians of the country had the urge and subsequent vision to understand it, and develop a strategy to lead this change.

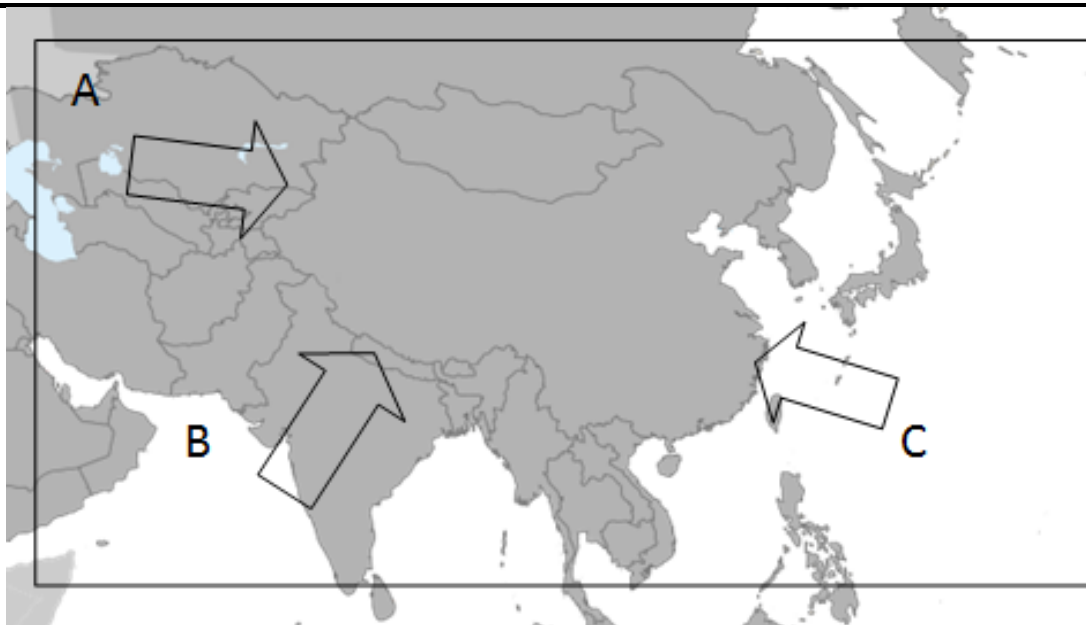
In a key article published in foreign affairs magazine, November 2011, US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton laid out the details of America’s Pacific Century. The importance of the region is mentioned from the onset, where she states:

“The Asia-Pacific has become a key driver of global politics. Stretching from the Indian subcontinent to the western shores of the Americas, the region spans two oceans -- the Pacific and the Indian -- that are increasingly linked by shipping and strategy. It boasts almost half the world's population. It includes many of the key engines of the global economy, as well as the largest emitters of greenhouse gases. It is home to several of our key allies and important emerging powers like China, India, and Indonesia.”

President Obama signaled the importance he attaches to the Asia Pivot by making a visit to Myanmar the first visit after his re-election. It is well understood that the Asia Pivot strategy is primarily about encirclement of China. Therefore, the so called Asia Pivot is only the next jigsaw piece in the geostrategic moves to check the rise of China.

US Strategic Encirclement of China.

The background to this discussion is the need for the US to control the rise of China not curb it. The encirclement of China and US dominance in the region depends on US applying pressure in the three regions shown below:



Region A: This is the pressure which US will enforce based on its ingress into the central Asian republics. US plan is aimed at drawing energy from this region via Afghanistan to the Arabian Sea, thereby depriving China of its much needed energy.

Region B: This is the pressure which US will exert through India, and there is very little doubt of India playing this vital role for the US. The pressure is economic as well as military. Hence we see the US working hard to strengthen India economically as well as strengthening its defense establishment.

Region C: This is the pressure which US will exert through the natural conflicts that China faces in the Asia Pacific region. These include North/South Korea, Japan, Taiwan, South China Sea and the Phillipines issues.

The Asia Pivot

The Asia Pivot is about the shift in US economic, military and diplomatic efforts to more rigorously implement the policy objectives defined above. As mentioned by Hillary Clinton, the region is important in its own right. The economic shift that has occurred in the region has in itself shifted the geopolitics in this region, which explains the need for the US Asia Pivot. To quote Clinton from her article from foreign affairs:

“One of the most important tasks of American statecraft over the next decade will therefore be to lock in a substantially increased investment -- diplomatic, economic, strategic, and otherwise -- in the Asia-Pacific region”

This pivot is nothing new, for it was ongoing during the Bush presidency and before that. Indeed the seeds of this shift were laid much early on before the Russian invasion of Afghanistan. In an interview to *Le Nouvel Observateur*, Paris, 15-21 January 1998, Zbigniew Brzezinski effectively revealed that they had induced the Russians to invade Afghanistan. During a question and answer session, it was revealed that the US had begun aid to the mujahedeen in Afghanistan 6 months before the Soviet invasion. In the ensuing discussion Brzezinski revealed that he wrote a note to the then president, Jimmy Carter, stating:

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‘And that very day, I wrote a note to the president in which I explained to him that in my opinion this aid was going to induce a Soviet military intervention.’ He went on to state that ...We didn't push the Russians to intervene, but we knowingly increased the probability that they would.

This laid the basis for formal US involvement in the region, through Pakistan as the proxy. Pakistani support effectively gave the US the foothold it needed in the region, and through this the US went on to consolidate its position.

The problem with the Taliban was that they were too Islamic, and not prepared to conform with the policy requirements of the US. The US needed to establish a military footprint in the region, which the Taliban were not prepared to accept. The US estrangement with the Taliban, ran, in a timing sense, in parallel to the US rapprochement with India and 9/11 was a welcome excuse to remove the Taliban. Therefore, subsequent to Bill Clinton's historic visit to India, he made a fleeting visit to Pakistan, in which he effectively directed Pakistan to reverse its policy of supporting the Mujahadeen in Kashmir. Thus by the time 9/11 occurred, Pakistan had reversed its policy on both of its borders, and much in line with US strategic requirements.

The US positioning in this region was to facilitate the US ingress into the central Asian republics, thereby having a direct influence on the regional energy strategies. For the central Asian republics, the US needs to find pliable governments who will allow US investments to draw oil and gas down through Afghanistan. But the US strategy requires a stable enough Afghanistan, for which Pakistan is key. This ingress into the underbelly of the region pressurises both the Russians and the Chinese.

The need to pressurise the Chinese was achieved through the US rapprochement with India, for which the Pakistan-India relationship needed to be reset. Hence, the pressure on Pakistan to give up the struggle in Indian occupied Kashmir. The US policy on India is highly dependent on a pliant Pakistan that is supporting India's rise as a regional power.

Hence, the ability and capacity of the US to undertake this policy shift is largely dependent on the elements A and B described above. And in both of these, Pakistan is key to US objectives.

In an interview with Robert Kagan, Kurt Campbell, who is the Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and the Pacific, the latter stated,

This is the dominant arena of strategic interaction. I think it is in our best national interests to demonstrate that we are going to play a central role in that drama, just as we have during the 20th Century. I think the challenges though, Bob, as you laid out, are very clear. First of all, everyone appreciates that our commitments in Afghanistan and Iraq are central to our overall effectiveness, how we conduct ourselves not only there but in other parts of the Middle East are essential.

The word effectiveness could easily be replaced by the word ability, for the US is clearly overstretched in its current military missions. In an article by Bruce Klingner in the right wing heritage Foundation, he states:

“This pivot is undercut, however, by the fact that the U.S. military lacks the resources necessary to implement such a strategy. Even as the number of threats to stability in Asia continue to multiply, there has not been a commensurate increase of U.S. capabilities. While the Obama Administration claims there will be no forces cut from Asia, reductions in the overall U.S. force structure will constrain America's global power projection and force sustainability capabilities.

It is unrealistic to think that the United States can sustain half a trillion dollar cut in defense spending, let alone the trillion dollar cut currently pending congressional action, and still maintain

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its current level of commitment, much less augment it, as implied by the Administration's avowed pivot."

The US military conflict in the two regions, Iraq and Afghanistan, has shown the weakness in the US as a superpower. The cost of these wars are in excess of 14 trillion dollars. The bulk of this was paid through debt, that is, by issuing treasury bills and bonds. The US economy is not the powerhouse it used to be, and so whatever it earns in taxes has to be paid to debtors who purchased the treasury bonds. This has increased the debt, and resulted in the fiscal crisis. The sum total of this is that the US is in no position to engage in a new conflict, for it does not have the financial capacity, notwithstanding whether the US public opinion will tolerate it.

The US needs Pakistan to help it in its attempts to achieve peace in Afghanistan. The US needs Pakistan to help the US in its attempt to support India becoming a regional power. Without the support of Pakistan, the key elements of US strategy in the region would become far more difficult. Hence, it is Pakistan who is now playing the role of key facilitator in the US Asia Pivot.

This is the reality of Pakistan today. Simple contemplation on the above points will indicate that Pakistan can say no to all of US policy requirements, and the US will be paralysed to do anything about it. The example of closing of the NATO supply lines is sufficient to indicate this, where the US went scurrying off to find alternate supply routes via Russian soil. Given the Russian and Chinese interest in countering US policy in the region, a sovereign Pakistani government with some vision could counter US moves easily. Hence, a clear and simple policy option for a sovereign Pakistani government is to draw the Russians and Chinese in as counterweights to the US, with a view to strengthening our own geostrategic position. Indeed, after the US attack on Abbottabad, the Chinese threw a lifeline to Pakistan, when it stated publicly that an attack on Pakistan is an attack on China. Needless to say that the government of Pakistan did not take up the challenge. The point being made here is to not go and align oneself with another regional power, but to use the interests of regional powers of the region to further one's own interests.

Our politicians do not even carry a vision at this level, because only those who care sincerely for the Ummah will think at this strategic level. And this is where one has to question democracy that produces leaders that we have had consistently – rulers who see Pakistan as no more than their own property to plunder and loot for their own benefits. It is democracy that produces people like this, and therefore it is democracy that needs to be uprooted. We need the Khilafah system that consistently produces rulers that care for the Ummah.

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Betrayal with the Muslims of Ash-Sham

Zardari Shakes the Bloodied Hands of the Syrian Regime

Hizb ut-Tahrir / Wilayah Pakistan denounces the meeting on 29 April of President Zardari with the representative of the tyrant of Ash-Sham, Bashar, in which a letter from Bashar was conveyed to Zardari. The crimes of Bashar against his own people demanded the tearing up of his letter and throwing out his messenger, or not even allowing him to enter Pakistan in the first place. However, Zardari plays the role of the dutiful American servant, seeking to grant legitimacy to the nearly collapsed Bashar regime.

For over two long and trying years, since March 2011, the Muslims have filled the streets demanding Islam, with many of them calling “The people want Khilafah” and raising the black and white flags of the coming Khilafah. Deprived of sleep at the thought of the return of the Khilafah, America ordered its agent Bashar to crush the uprising ruthlessly, making weak statements against him to buy him time. The Bashar regime has destroyed towns and villages. It slaughtered tens of thousands, not sparing women, elderly and children. Its thugs tortured men and boys, raped women and girls and abducted children, seizing them in streets from the arms of their mothers.

Had America been able to find an alternative to Bashar, it would have discarded him as it readily discarded others for decades. Instead America is reduced to giving deadlines as extensions until it finds an alternative or manufactures one. America’s is concerned should Islam reach the rule and the Khilafah state is established, and this is the concern of all Kafir colonialists. So, America shares with other powers, including Russia, in the support of Bashar in secret and in public using various means to support him. And as always it depends on its agents in the Muslim lands, near and far, to assist it by all means.

Hizb ut-Tahrir Wilayah Pakistan pledges its commitment to end the rule of all the tyrants, the near and the far ones, by the light of the ruling by Islam. Let Bashar and Zardari both shake in their beds, let their masters in Washington be deprived of sleep, for it is not long Insha’Allah before the powerful armed forces of Pakistan will be led by a righteous Khaleefah. And then the world will again see the Khilafah which does not care for the seas or lands that separate it from the tyrants and does not rest until Islam is victorious.

((وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ * بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ))

*“That day believers will rejoice * upon the victory of Allah who makes victorious whom He wishes and He is the Mighty, the Merciful.” [Ar-Rum: 4-5]*

‘Nero’ of Sham Escalates Burning, Destruction and Killing of Humans, Trees and Stones

So where are the Muslim Armies to rescue the elderly, widows, orphans and the injured ones?!

The massacres of the tyrant of Sham escalates, one after another, by planes, missiles and bombs, and deadly chemicals that burn and destroy everything at random upon the orders of Sham’s tyrant and its ‘Nero.’ The elderly, women and children, widows and orphans, are crying out for help and support from the Muslims armies who are stationed in their barracks motionless by orders of the rulers who have minds that do not comprehend, ears that do not hear, and eyes that do not see. It is not their eyes that are blinded but their hearts inside their chest!

The tyrant has mobilized his throngs of Kuffar , hypocrites and the people of evil and immorality towards al-Ghouta and the Damascus countryside to tighten his grip upon the Muslims in which the Messenger of Allah (saw) said regarding it in what was narrated by Abu Dawood from Abu Dhardaa’, that the Messenger of Allah peace be upon him, said: « إِنَّ فُسْطَاطَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ يَوْمَ الْمَلْحَمَةِ إِلَى جَانِبِ مَدِينَةٍ يُقَالُ لَهَا: دِمَشْقُ، مِنْ خَيْرِ مَدَائِنِ الشَّامِ بِالْعُوطَةِ، إِلَى جَانِبِ مَدِينَةٍ يُقَالُ لَهَا: دِمَشْقُ، مِنْ خَيْرِ مَدَائِنِ الشَّامِ » “The pavilion of the Muslims on the day of the battle will be in Ghouta near a city called Damascus, the best city in Sham.” All these crowds have gathered on the orders of America which gives the green light to its agent, the current tyrant of Syria, to continue in the murder and oppression, until it finds an alternative agent to succeed him. It fears the removal of Nero of Sham or if he perishes before their replacement agent matures, and therefore Islam will come to rule and the Sham becomes the abode of Dar al-Islam from anew. This would be the thunderbolt that strikes the heads of the colonial Kuffar, and their agents who have betrayed Allah, His Messenger and the believers.

O armies in Muslim countries near and far, where are you from this verse: وَإِنْ اسْتَنْصَرُوكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ فَعَلَيْكُمْ النَّصْرُ “If they ask for your support, then answer.” Where are you from the Messenger’s saying as narrated by Muslim from Abu Hurayrah who said: The Messenger of Allah (saw) said: « الْمُسْلِمُ أَخُو الْمُسْلِمِ، لَا يَظْلِمُهُ وَلَا يَخْذُلُهُ »

“The Muslim is the brother of a Muslim; he does not oppress him or disappoint him.” How is it that your blood does not boil in your veins while you hear and witness people of Sham exiled, their sanctities violated, and their blood shed, their homes demolished, and their wealth exploited? Is it not within you the oath of Qutaibah, and Moatasem’s valor, and Salah al-Din’s rescue?

How can you remain crouched in your barracks as if what occurs is in the far reaches of the world, with no connection between you and them, is the Sham not the abode of Dar al-Islam?! Lack of issuance of order to you from your rulers does not justify your inaction, for there is no obedience to any creature in disobedience to the Creator, Allah in granting victory to your brothers, Allah in your stance of Haq in the face of your rulers. Renounce them today while you are able, before they renounce you tomorrow, and then you will not be able to renounce them.

((إِذْ تَبَرَّأَ الَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوا مِنَ الَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوا وَرَأَوْا الْعَذَابَ وَتَقَطَّعَتْ بِهِمُ الْأَسْبَابُ * وَقَالَ الَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوا لَوْ أَنَّا كُنَّا كَرَّةً فَنَتَّبَرَّأَ مِنْهُمْ كَمَا تَبَرَّأُوا مِنَّا كَذَلِكَ يُرِيهِمُ اللَّهُ أَعْمَالَهُمْ حَسَرَاتٍ عَلَيْهِمْ وَمَا هُمْ بِخَارِجِينَ مِنَ النَّارِ))

“When those who were followed shall renounce those who followed (them), and they see the chastisement and their ties are cut asunder. * And those who followed shall say: Had there been for us a return, then we would renounce them as they have renounced us. Thus will Allah show them their deeds to be intense regret to them, and they shall not come forth from the fire.” [al-Baqara: 166-7]

O soldiers in the army of the tyrant, how can you fire your missiles towards your brothers and kinfolk? Did you not enter the army to protect your kinfolk and fight the enemy? How can you silence your weapons in the face of the Jews occupying the Golan Heights, and you turn your weapons to kill your families, elderly, women and children? Is there not among you a wise man to point his gun towards the tyrant and his criminal men, and grants victory to his country and his oppressed people? Your stance with the tyrant is a stain of disgrace that cannot be erased, and a shame in this world and fire in the Hereafter whenever it fades will re-ignite and then the tyrant and his men will not benefit you, but you will severely regret, and curse one another, and for each will have multiplied torment.

((كُلَّمَا دَخَلَتْ أُمَّةٌ لَعْنَتْ أُخْتَهَا حَتَّىٰ إِذَا ادَّارَكُوا فِيهَا جَمِيعًا قَالَتِ الْأَخْرَاءُ لِأَوْلَاهُمْ رَبَّنَا هَؤُلَاءِ أَضَلُّونَا فَآتِهِمْ عَذَابًا ضِعْفًا مِنَ النَّارِ قَالَ لِكُلِّ ضِعْفٍ وَلَكِنَّ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ))

“Enter into fire among the nations that have passed away before you from among jinn and men; whenever a nation shall enter, it shall curse its sister, until when they have all come up with one another into it; the last of them shall say with regard to the foremost of them: Our Lord! these led us astray therefore give them a double chastisement of the fire. He will say: Every one shall have double but you do not know.” [al-Araaf: 38]

Dear honest revolutionaries, defend your Deen, honour, wealth and yourselves, in that, is either victory or martyrdom, as Salaawat Allahu wa salaamahu alaihi said as narrated by Abu Dawood on Saeed Bin Zaid on the Prophet (saw) said: « مَنْ قُتِلَ دُونَ مَالِهِ فَهُوَ شَهِيدٌ، وَمَنْ قُتِلَ دُونَ أَهْلِهِ، أَوْ دُونَ دَمِهِ، أَوْ دُونَ دِينِهِ فَهُوَ شَهِيدٌ

“The one killed in the defense of his wealth is a martyr, and in defense of his family, or blood, or Deen is a martyr.” Do not be afraid of the crowds of the Kuffar, hypocrites and the people of evils and immorality, Allah is the Strong al-Aziz with the oppressed, the defenders of their rights, their Deen, their families and honour.

((وَالَّذِينَ إِذَا أَصَابَهُمُ الْبَغْيُ هُمْ يَنْتَصِرُونَ))

“And those who, when great wrong afflicts them, defend themselves.” [ash-Shura: 39] And your blood has been spilled and sacrifices have been made, that Hizb ut-Tahrir advises you not to accept a system other than Khilafah, or any authority other than the legislation of Allah, and that your pure blood will commend you before your Creator, and your sacrifices will elevate you to higher ranks by your Lord.

((وَاللَّهُ غَالِبٌ عَلَىٰ أَمْرِهِ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ))

“and Allah is the master of His affair, but most people do not know” [Yousef: 21]

The Jordanian Government's Attack on the Honour of our Syrian Sisters will not be Forgiven

On the 31st of March 2013, statements were made by a female member of the Jordanian Parliament attacking the honour and dignity of the noble Syrian Muslim women residing in the notorious refugee camp at Jordan's Zaatari border with Syria. The video recordings of the full speech are available online, however specific details of the MP's abusive language and derogatory references that amounted to unfettered backbiting and slander leaves no room for doubt or justification. And in following high Islamic morals, we do not take part with the Jordanian Parliament members in spreading corruption and deviant devious values or slander. Suffice to say that the MP's comments sweepingly labelled all Syrian women and young girls with the character of low morals, devoid of Islamic conduct and directly accused them of selling themselves for financial gain. In truth, these intolerable foul comments reflect the low moral status of the Jordanian government and its members of parliament. Is it not enough that such an attack on the helpless and voiceless sisters who are fleeing from a scale of persecution that is unprecedented in recent history! The honourable women of Al-Sham have lost everything in the physical attack by their own leader for standing courageously against his tyranny, only then to face a war of words from another equally ruthless regime in Jordan. It is clear therefore that the shamelessness and lack of regard for good conduct is not the characteristic of our dear Syrian sisters, but those who slander, attack and demean these vulnerable women. How dare they utter a single word of insult against these honourable, dignified women who have demonstrated their true quality as righteous, fearless, and devoted servants of Allah (swt) as opposed to the cowardly, treacherous and shameful behaviour

of those Muslim rulers and regimes who have abandoned them to their oppressors!!!

The women of Hizb ut Tahrir fiercely condemn such repulsive, degrading insults against our dear Syrian sisters and recognise that these tactics are but political tools used to distract the world from the Jordanian government's own REAL CRIMES of denying the Syrian Ummah the military protection that is their right, Allah (swt) said, **“وَإِنِ اسْتَنْصَرُوكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ فَعَلَيْكُمْ النَّصْرُ** and if **they seek aid from you in the matter of religion, aid is incumbent on you”** and we declare their collusion with the international community in aiding the Assad regime through its silent consent and inaction that allows the violation, murder and terror of their neighbouring Muslims. Oh Muslims, the Jordanian government's crimes against our people in Syria, are greater than the words spoken from the rogue in Parliament as it traps over 100, 000 Syrians, mostly women and children in a sham refugee camp that is underequipped and offers no physical security as it allows criminals to enter at will to kidnap and physically violate women and girls freely. Reports from the women living in the camps reveal that they fear using the public toilets and even stay awake all night in order to guard their honour. In light of these facts, the sheer audacity that the Jordanian MP's have to label our respected Muslim sisters of Syria as immoral in their Islamic conduct is utterly sickening! By Allah (swt), the Lord of the heavens and the earth, the women of Hizb ut Tahrir redirect the finger of blame and point it directly at the Jordanian government itself and all of the Muslim leaders of the world as they have rejected the Command of Allah (swt) when He ordered that the life and honour of

the believer should be protected and made it forbidden to slander and insult the chaste Muslim women.

((إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَرْمُونَ الْمُحْصَنَاتِ الْغَافِلَاتِ الْمُؤْمِنَاتِ لُعُنُوا فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ عَظِيمٌ))

“Verily, those who accuse chaste women, who never even think of anything touching their chastity and are good believers - are cursed in this life and in the Hereafter, and for them will be a great torment” [TMQ al-Noor: 23]

O People of power and sincere sons of the Muslim armies, o protectors, o followers of Muhammad (sallallahu alaihi wassalam), do these foul insults against the honourable, righteous women of Al-Sham not make your blood boil in rage? We call you to give Nussrah to your sisters and people in Sham. We call you to remove these treacherous rulers and their corrupt regimes who have demonstrated their utter disregard for the honour and sanctity of the Muslimah. We call you to work with Hizb ut Tahrir to establish with urgency the noble Khilafah system that embodies an unsurpassed approach to protecting the dignity of women and under which it mobilized an army of 900,000 with the Khalifah at the lead to defend the honour of just one Muslim woman in Umairah. Indeed, great are the honour, status, reward and station in this Dunya and great rank in Jannah, **be from among these men to establish it to attain all its Khair now and later.**

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nucleus of the Khilafah or part of the Khilafah state, which will light up the earth with the guidance of the new Khilafah, by which the lands shall reveal their treasures, the skies will send their blessings and Allah SWT shall heal the breasts of a believing people...

In conclusion, the hypocrites and those in whose hearts is a disease say that Muslims are deceived by their deen, such words have been uttered by their predecessors before them, but we reply to them with the words of Allah SWT, **إِذْ يَقُولُ الْمُنَافِقُونَ وَالَّذِينَ فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ مَرَضٌ غَرَّ هَوَاهُ دِينُهُمْ وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ** “When the hypocrites and those in whose hearts was a disease (of disbelief) said: "These people (Muslims) are deceived by their religion." But whoever puts his trust in Allah, then surely, Allah is All-Mighty, All-Wise.” [Surah Al-Anfaal 8:49].

And as the final words, I call upon you in this address from a location, far away yet not so far Insha'Allah, praying to Allah SWT that He brings us together upon one occasion, upon the announcing of the Khilafah and the giving of the Bayah to a Khaleefah, where the people raise Takbeers through their happiness and joy in the streets and atop the roofs of their homes, whilst the Muazin make Takbeers from within the mosques... And the soldiers make Takbeer out of happiness and joy for their return to their original work, a Muslim army that protects Islam, opens the lands and spreads goodness throughout the world. **وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ * بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ** “That day believers will rejoice * upon the victory of Allah who makes victorious whom He wishes and He is the Mighty, the Merciful.” [Surah Ar-Rum 30: 4-5]

والسلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Your brother,

Ata ibn Khalil Abu Ar-Rashtah,

Ameer of Hizb ut-Tahrir

The Pious Women of Al-Sham are neither for Sale nor for Trade

“The Women’s National Council in Egypt criticized a number of Egyptian men marrying Syrian refugee women, who fled their countries because of the situation in Syria, seeking asylum in Egypt. The council considered these marriages “exploitation of their bad circumstances.” There was a controversy in Jordan prior to this regarding some men who visited Syrian Refugee Camps searching for Syrian girls to marry them... And there were reports of brokers arranging these marriages, and in some cases, arranging marriages of underage girls to geriatric men.”

Attempts to distort the Syrian Revolution remain strong inside and outside Syria and take many different forms and varieties, including the spread of refugee camps in the neighbouring countries and in which the number of refugees exceeded one million people. These refugees not only suffer from poor and inhumane conditions, but also suffer from the spread of lies and rumours about them and their women, mainly the trading of girls through marrying them off in degrading conditions marred by exploitation of their ordeal and tragedy; and which some considered as an assault on values and human rights, conflicting with international conventions! The Women’s National Council sent two letters to the Egyptian government demanding an end to the phenomena of Egyptian men marrying Syrian refugee women as this leads to their abuse and an abuse to the Egyptian people, increasing the number of “spinsters” in Egypt. According to the council, this action was taken in order to highlight the issue globally and put a spotlight on it in order to put pressure on the Egyptian government to take the necessary action. Hence it is clear that the aim behind this is to involve the Egyptian political situation in dealing with the Syrian affairs, even if the style used is offensive to these pious women. Instead of attacking the vulnerability of the Syrian pious women, it would have been better for them if they demanded the Egyptian government to fulfil their obligation of defending them by sending an army to protect them and their dignity! It would have also been better if they accounted the Egyptian government for failing to care for our brothers who are fleeing from death and looking for safety and security! The Lord of Glory, Allah (swt) Says in His Book: ((وَإِنْ أَحَدٌ مِّنَ الْمُشْرِكِينَ اسْتَجَارَكَ فَأَجِرْهُ حَتَّىٰ يَسْمَعَ كَلَامَ اللَّهِ ثُمَّ أَبْلِغْهُ مَأْمَنَهُ ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ قَوْمٌ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ

“If one amongst the Pagans ask thee for asylum, grant it to him, so that he may hear the word of Allah. And then escort him to where he can be secure. That is because they are men without knowledge.”^[Al-Tawbah: 6] This is indeed a rule for the Pagans, then what would be the rule for our people, women and children!

O Muslims,

Is marrying girls and providing for them security and protection a violation of their rights, whereas, leaving them for Bashar and his gang to violate their lives, dignity and security, to the extent that they fled to camps of death and displacement in the lands of Allah is considered a protection of their rights?! They claim that these marriages increase the queues of spinsters in Egypt, but weren’t these queues already existent before the arrival of the refugees, due to the failed policies of the government at all levels, including the social and

Press Release: The Pious Women of Al-Sham are neither for Sale nor for Trade economic systems! They claim that these marriages are “compelling prostitution”, so what about the dens of corruption prevalent in these countries, under the knowledge and consent of the regimes that are handed down by governments supporting vice under the pretext of tourism, civilization and freedom! They consider our refugee brothers guests and strangers, how can this be when they are only separated by artificial borders created by colonialism, making them strangers in their own homes and among their own families, either they were in Jordan or Egypt or Lebanon or Iraq or Turkey.

Brothers and sisters in Islam,

We are one Ummah, we belong to one Deen, our Prophet is one, our Qur’an is one, our flag is one, and our aim is one. What we lack is having one Khaleefah, who will cut the roots of whoever attacks our pious sisters and encroaches on their dignity and honour. This will not happen except in the existence of one State which will destroy the borders of Sykes and Picot, and will raise high the flag of the Prophet of Allah (saw); and this day will be very near Inshallah.

The Women Branch in the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir

The Shameful Regime in Jordan Blocks the Commencement of the Women's Seminar

Using its brutal security forces, the regime in Jordan prevented the commencement of the women’s seminar that had been organized by Hizb ut Tahrir before the Embassy of the regime of Assad the criminal, entitled: "**Hasten to Establish the Khilafah to Protect the Honourable Women of Al-Sham.**"The suppressive regime in Jordan confiscated equipment prepared by the technical personnel to facilitate the conference, and as part of our mandate we hereby deliver this message to the Jordanian regime:

It is shameful of you and your repressive forces to exercise your empty audacity against a gathering of women in Jordan, is this how you demonstrate your masculinity - by using force against women?? Isn't your disgraceful betrayal and shameful conspiracy against the revolution of Al-Sham enough for you? So, instead of sending your security forces to rescue the women of Al-Sham, you direct them to crack down on women and preventing them from delivering the word of truth in support of their sisters who lost their husbands and children. Your stance shall be your downfall and you shall see how the Islamic Ummah delivers a just recompense for your shameful actions.

((وَلَعَذَابُ الْآخِرَةِ أَخْزَىٰ وَهُمْ لَا يُنصَرُونَ))

“But the punishment of the Hereafter is more disgracing, and they will not be helped”

The Media Office of Hizb ut-Tahrir in Wilayah Jordan

Letter from the Women of Hizb ut Tahrir Turkey to the Honourable Women of Al-Sham

Assalaamu Alaikum Wa'rahmatullahi Wabarakatuhu to Our Dear Honourable Sisters of Al-Sham,

Assalaamu aleykum to Al-Sham and its people, for whom Rasulallah (saw) prayed to Allah (swt) to bless it for us, and which he (saw) described it as lying beneath the wings of the angels and is inhabited by those who are the best produced for mankind! We are incessantly following every news regarding you day and night. Seeing what our sisters and brothers in Syria are going through, we are not able to look at the faces of our own sisters and brothers. When we adorn our hijabs before stepping out of our homes, we feel the fear of our Syrian sisters in our hearts. The weeping of our babies rebounds to our ears, reminding us of the lamentation of our children in Syria, and together with their heartrending pictures, we hug our children with pain in our hearts.

Every pain you live over there, we feel it as well, because Rasulallah (saw) said that we are "كَمَثَلِ الْجَسَدِ الْوَاحِدِ" **"like one body"** and Allah (swt) says, ((إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ إِخْوَةٌ)) **"The believers are only brothers..."** [TMQ Al-Hujurat: 10]. And we plea to Allah (swt), Al-Qahhar, to punish those who do this evil to our brothers and sisters. For more than a hundred years now, the West has tried to anesthetize us with different deceptions in order to make us get used to this pain that we feel when we witness our Ummah suffering across the world. But they have failed. Today, there is no doubt that our hearts and the heart of every Muslim is bleeding due to the happenings in Syria.

O dear sisters of Syria,

You have demonstrated a resistance which is inspiring. Al-Sham is the Land of Hope! Your uprising is the crowning of the Ummah's struggle for a century. Because you are our honorable sisters and brothers, who shout out with a clear, unambiguous and loud voice for the Islamic State which this Ummah has desired for almost 90 years, pledging not to rest until the Khilafah is established. Our Lord honored us with you, O you, the best of people produced for mankind! All praise is to Allah (swt) who granted us brotherhood with you! Rasulallah (saw) informed us:

‘ألا وإنا لإيمان حينئذ تقعا لفتن بالشام،’ **"Verily! Iman is in Al-Sham when fitna arises."**

You raised the hope that the founding of the Khilafah will be soon biithnillah – a state which will free this Ummah from the hegemony of the West, re-unite the Islamic world under the Rayah of Rasulallah (saw) and which will implement all of the Hukm ash-Sharai in order to take care of the people's affairs. Your uprising proved to this Ummah and the whole world that the establishment of the Islamic system is a very close reality Insha'Allah! Therefore the success of the struggle of the Muslims in Syria is the success of this Ummah. Your victory is the Ummah's victory. So keep firm to your Islamic struggle dear honourable sisters for you have the support of the Lord of the Worlds. And do not allow those with Western, democratic, man-made inspired solutions to hijack or derail your pure revolution.

We, your sisters from Hizb ut Tahrir Turkey, together with our brothers and sisters from Hizb ut Tahrir across the globe support your Dawah with every means in our hands of replacing your secular dictatorship and system with Islamic rule. While your calls resound all around the world, we work day and night to strengthen that sound. In Turkey, we have organized conferences attended by thousands. We hold seminars and press conferences in order to proclaim your honorable Dawah. Not only in Turkey, but all over the world, your sisters and brothers from Hizb ut Tahrir have organized demonstrations, conferences, and countless discussions to raise awareness about your plight and to call for the Khilafah that will be your shield and guardian. This has all been under the leadership of our honourable Amir Sheikh Ata ibn Khalil Abu Ar-Rashtah, the eminent mujtahid, skilled politician, and leading thinker. He has also spent time in the dungeons of the dictators of the Muslim world for carrying the Islamic Dawah, yet he has remained firm without compromise to this Islamic struggle. And we pray Insha Allah that he will become the next Khalifah of the Muslims, your guardian and protector, mobilizing the Muslim armies without hesitation or delay to defend your blood and honour in the manner that only a leader that embodies Islam in thought, action, and vision will do, establishing for you lives of dignity, security, and prosperity and raising the flag of Islam across the world.

Dear honourable sisters of Al-Sham!

Our blood boils in rage at the Turkish government's betrayal of you for it has abandoned you at your most desperate time of need, failing to mobilizing a single soldier, despite being blessed with one of the strongest armies in the world, consisting of over half of a million soldiers. This is because Erdogan and his regime are involved in the plots to corrupt the success of your uprising, along with the other leaderships of the Muslim world by supporting their Western Masters' plans to prevent the birth of the second Khilafah Rashida and to install their next puppet ruler and regime in Syria that will secure their interests and do their bidding. This is the reason why the Turkish government has turned its back on you. Yet that was not enough, but its treachery reached such a scale that it handed the officers who took refuge on its soil to Bashar's murderous regime. This is alongside subjecting the vulnerable Syrian refugees who fled the most brutal oppression to another dehumanizing ordeal by placing them in camps with the most dangerous and appalling conditions which are not fit for animals, while also returning others to Syria to face death. Our dear sisters, our hearts weep in grief at your desperate situation and Erdogan's deplorable approach to managing your needs due to his corrupt nationalistic system that refuses to protect your blood and places national economic interests over providing you with adequate welfare and safety.

Nevertheless, all this together with your patient and steadfast resistance, opened the eyes of the Muslims in Turkey as well as many around the world enough to clearly convince their minds about what they felt and knew already: that democracy and secularism, freedom and human rights are not only empty words, but moreover an ambush and cheat of the West.

On the other side, the good news that reaches us of your victories against the Syrian regime and the pictures of the heroic Mujahideen make the Khalid ibn Waleeds alive in the eyes of our children. Seeing the unwavering courage of our Mujahidah sisters fighting against oppression is truly inspirational. Your blood is not shed in vain and it will not be shed in vain for sure! Your rewards in the Hereafter will be immense Insha'Allah and you will forever be in the duaas of this Ummah – now and for all generations to come - for being the ones who helped bring the light and mercy of the Islamic system to the world once again that has been submerged in darkness for so long.

Leaflet: Letter from the Women of Hizb ut-Tahrir Turkey to the Honorable...

But our hearts weep to see the Muslim armies, including in Turkey chained to their barracks by their cowardly rulers, leaving the brave men, women, and even children of Syria to fight their oppressor alone. However, we will raise the call amongst the sons of the Turkish army and all the Muslim armies of the world to break their allegiance to these spineless leaders and to rise to their great Islamic duty with urgency to defend your blood and remove your murderous dictatorship. For there are sincere soldiers within the Muslim armies who love Allah (swt) and wait with longing hearts to rid our Muslim lands of these treacherous leaderships who keep them subjugated and tie their hands while their Ummah bleeds! They wait to become the "Army of the Prophet (saw)" again, in order to regain the dignity and honor for themselves and the Ummah, by fulfilling the orders of Allah (swt) through their only commander, the Khalifah! The commander and leader they are waiting for is a Khalifah like Mu'tasim Billah who rode immediately to Al-Sham with a formidable army in response to the call of a Muslim woman who was captured and humiliated by the Romans in the city of Amuriyya and cried out the name of the Khalifah to rescue her. After liberating the city from the Kuffar, he freed the woman with his own hands and apologized that she had to wait for him, saying, "Dear sister, I could not come earlier, for the way from Baghdad to you is a quite far one."

Those armies who had such Khalifahs, were those who rushed to help this Ummah; they protected the honor of their Muslim sisters; took vengeance for the oppressed; and opened the doors of relief for the desperate ones. And Insha'Allah we will soon see their likes again with the return of the second Khilafah Rashida upon the model of the Prophethood which we dear sisters will continue to struggle with all our efforts, following the footsteps of Rasulallah (saw) together with you, with patience and steadfastness, until we get back our Khalifah who will punish with severity those who dishonored the honourable Muslim women and orphaned our children, and those who betrayed this Ummah! We can already hear the footsteps of the Second Khilafah Rashida, that is coming with your victory and that will liberate Palestine, Iraq, Afghanistan and all the occupied lands, and that will take revenge for this Ummah and spread the call for Islam as a Message to the entire world!

Stand firm dear sisters to your Islamic struggle and we stand by you with all hearts, without falter, and with resolute determination! O, our distinguished, excellent, courageous, inspiring sisters from Syria, by Allah (swt)'s Will, the day is close when we will all rejoice! Allah (swt) says,

((وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ) ۚ (بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ ۗ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ) ۝ (وَعَدَ اللَّهُ لَا يُخْلِفُ اللَّهُ وَعْدَهُ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ))

“And that day the believers will rejoice in the victory of Allah. He gives victory to whom He wills, and He is the Exalted in Might, the Merciful. [It is] the promise of Allah and Allah does not fail in His promise, but most of the people know not.” [TMQ Ar-Rûm: 4-6]

Oh Allah! Grant us this clear Nusrah and let us enjoy the khayr of this glad tidings! Without doubt, You are our Lord, The All-Hearer, The Responsive! Without doubt You are the Helper of the Believers and the Oppressed!

Wa'alaikum Salaam Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuhu.

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29 April 2013 CE**

**Your sisters from
Hizb ut Tahrir in Turkey**

Q&A –Escalation in North Korea?

Question:

North Korean news agency, Yonhap, reported on the 21st of April 2013 that both the South Korean Chief of Staff Gen. Jung Seung-Jo and his U.S. counterpart General Martin Dempsey have threatened North Korea to be wary of its on-going threats as it will lead to severe consequences. On the same day, the above-mentioned source stated a high-level government source has announced that the South Korean military has monitored a launch of missile platforms mobile units, suspected of carrying Scud missiles in the east coast of North Korea. North Korea has deployed 7 mobile platforms to launch missiles, including a special platform for the Musudan mid-range missile on the east coast; and with the deployment of two additional platforms, the number of missiles in the region has reached 9 missiles...

Reuters had reported prior to this, on Thursday 18/4/2013, that North Korea has offered a series of conditions to the U.S. and South Korea if they wished to hold dialogues, including the abolition of sanctions imposed by the United Nations because of its nuclear and missile tests, as a likely indication to end weeks of war vows that overshadowed the Korean peninsula.

It also mentioned that the National Defense Commission in North Korea, the highest military body in the country, issued a statement stating that making the Korean Peninsula free of nuclear weapons will begin when the United States withdraws its nuclear weapons, which Pyongyang says that Washington who brought the weapons to the region...

It is apparent from this that while the statements of a heated war are escalating, so are the statements of dialogue. Therefore where are matters heading? What then are the actual positions of Russia and China? May Allah reward you..

Answer:

In order to understand this issue, we have to review it from its beginning, not on the basis of the latest statements alone, this issue has passed many stages which we will outline first, and then outline the recent developments and the positions of the States:

1. This crisis did not erupt as a result of yesterday's events, but is a frequent one, and it escalates at every nuclear experiment carried out by North Korea. It escalated at the first experiment in the year 2006, as well as at the second one in the year 2009 which was greater than the first. At that time, dated 25/5/2009, North Korea announced that it is not bound to the truce signed between them and America in the year 1953. Now that a third nuclear test has been successfully performed on 12/02/2013, it also announced on 30/03/2013 that it will not comply with the truce, and declared that it is in a state of war. North Korea then began to focus its missiles off the east coast directing them towards Japan and the U.S. base on the island of Guam, which is controlled by America in the Pacific Ocean since 1898 after it defeated Spain which occupied Guam since 1521; in the year 1950, America declared its annexation to its territory, and deemed the population of more than 180 thousand people as part of its population, which is used for military bases for the Army and Navy and includes

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approximately 6000 of its soldiers. Thus Guam is considered significant because it serves as a line of defense for its territory from the Pacific Ocean side.

2. What is new this time is that America was able to provoke North Korea with conducting large maneuvers near North Korea. These maneuvers began on 19/2/2013 and will continue until the end of this month 30/4/2013; these maneuvers are large and unprecedented, coinciding with the sanctions set by America in the Security Council, which were approved by Russia and China on 7/3/2013, after the West and America in particular stirred efficiently North Korea's third experiment on 12/2/2013. These maneuvers created an intense provocation to North Korea, as they were of an unusual nature, which in these maneuvers America introduced advanced types of forces from B-52 aircrafts as well as B-2 that are capable of carrying nuclear bombs, including stealth aircraft and warships carrying a missile system as a way of exhibiting their strength to terrorize North Korea and other countries.

3. The sanctions and maneuvers are a continuation of the techniques of evasion and deception, pressure and threat carried out by America in the region. As for the techniques of evasion and deception carried out by America towards North Korea, for example, North Korea has agreed last year in 02/29/2012 to suspend its nuclear program and allowed the return of inspectors, therefore America sent 240 thousand tons of aid to the North during the first nuclear experiment performed after the death of its leader Kim Jong Il and his son Kim Jong-un came to rule. In the process of evasion and deception to stop the aid, America rose and accused the leaders of the North that they kept these aids to themselves and denied the people of it, thereby as a form of humiliation to North Korea portraying them as beggars and that the officials steal these aids. As for the methods of challenge, pressure and threat used by the United States, it announced last year a new strategy in the Asia / Pacific region regarding strengthening its power in this region by transferring 60% of its Navy forces to cope with potential risks until 2020.

All of these methods used by America were to provoke North Korea to behave in a heated manner while in contrast; they are used by America as a justification to expand their bases near China and Russia in the region under the pretext of resisting danger of North Korea. What concerns for America in the first degree is China, and in the subsequent degree, Russia ... and not North Korea, and the expansion of the U.S. presence near China which will face a Chinese reaction, and a lighter Russian reaction. If there were an excuse for America, especially if it perfected its exploitation, it would then be able to expand militarily and even set up a missile shield without causing any hostile fuss.

4. This is what has happened, these provocations affected North Korea and thus propelling it to a heated escalation against America and its neighbors South Korea and Japan. On 9/3/2013, North Korea waved once again the outbreak of war in the region when its official agency published a press release saying: "The Korean Peninsula is heading towards a heated-nuclear war." This agency also published on 3/4/2013 a communique to the North Korean forces that mentioned: "The American threats will be destroyed with smaller, lighter and more versatile nuclear weapons," and that the army "had received an approval to strike America with the possibility of using nuclear weapons that are sophisticated and diverse." It also announced the cancellation of the truce between them and America since the year 1953.

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Thereafter, North Korea worked on escalating the situation to the maximum, so it demanded from Russia, Britain and other countries to evacuate their embassies from the country; and called on foreigners to leave South Korea if events escalated; and placed mid-range missiles on the platforms launch and concealed them on the east coast in a move that suggests that they threaten Japan and U.S. bases in the Pacific. It responds to the maneuvers and sanctions imposed on it by the United Nations. It also closed the industrial zone in Kaesong Industrial Complex where companies station South North workers and generated an income that exceeded half a billion dollars last year, an area set up by South Korea motivated by North America as a way to contain the North. The establishment of the inter-Korean industrial zone begun in late 2004, in accordance with a plan that initially started in 1998, which includes 123 South Korean companies, and employs nearly 54 thousand workers from North Korea. As a reaction to this tension with the United States and South Korea, North Korea announced on 02/04/2013 the rehabilitation and operation of all installations in the Yongbyon nuclear compound that was stopped in 2007, including a site for uranium enrichment and reactors of power level 5 MW, by doing this, North Korea aims to becoming accepted by America and the world as a country that has become a nuclear state, and has ballistic missiles able to defend itself and to threaten others.

5. America then took to exploiting these heated tensions resulting from the fiery statements of North Korea, so it took advantage of it to achieve its objective, which is to accelerate the deployment of the missile shield without causing any confrontation with Russia or China, alluring North Korea to find a justification for America to expand its presence in the region, which makes it seem as though it is doing so in defense of America and its allies, as Kerry said during a visit to South Korea on 12/04/2013.

After the threats of North Korea that it will strike the American bases with medium-range missiles owned by them, America announced as reported by *The New York Times* on 04/04/2013 that it “will establish a missile shield on this island to counter medium-range missiles, as well as the deployment of anti-ballistic missiles warships in the waters of the Pacific Ocean; it was scheduled to deploy their missile shield in 2015,” the newspaper added: “The decision to accelerate the deployment of a missile defense system came under a series of steps taken by Washington to deter North Korea from carrying out any military action or new missile tests, the decision was taken after only a few hours of the North Korean provocations.” The newspaper also added that “spreading the missile shield system in Guam will unleash the warships to become closer to sites near the North Korean seashore.” This means that America will station near China, which points to America having benefited from its provocations with North Korea by hastening the spread of the missile shield in the region, and that it set a trap for North Korea so that it could achieve these objectives. As Japan announced its installment of Patriot missiles in the heart of the Capital to face North Korea's missiles and it will allow the installment of the missile system in OkynawaIsland which has important American bases. With the fact that Japan had been calling for the expulsion of the Americans from there, and now Americans strengthen their presence with their bombardment of North Korea's threats without anyone's objections.

The Philippines announced its readiness to install this missiles system and strengthen the American presence on its land, although the people in the Philippines demanded an end to the American presence in the country.

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6. As America was successful in exploiting the escalation of North Korea as a justification to expand the U.S. military presence and the deployment of the missile shield, America returned to its promised Democratic party policy, which is to contain North Korea through using dialogue the American way, i.e. not making the situation as an American-North Korean situation, but one that involves other countries in the region, in particular China, to become responsible for the actions of North Korea ... And this is what they have been doing, through the six-party talks, so the issue appears as if North Korea is facing the other five countries, and not America ...

It is worth mentioning that the Democrats' policy since Bill Clinton that the United States towards North Korea is to resort to negotiations with them, under their policy of containment, which was successful in 1994 when the first agreement was signed with North Korea, but America avoided, in the era of Republicans, particularly in the first period of Bush JR, making North Korea one of the states of the axis of evil. North Korea took a similar approach to what it did before conducting a nuclear test and declaring a non-compliance with the truce at the beginning of the first Obama administration in 2009, however, this administration did not respond to the North Korea provocations, but called for the resumption of negotiations and allowed South Korea to continue to work on the rapprochement with the North, for this reason, the Democratic administrations tend to negotiate with North Korea and implementation of the containment policy. The situation differs now, where America wanted to employ this latest event to achieve important strategic goals before entering into negotiations and pursuing the containment process, though this will begin after achieving its objectives that it had planned and still plans for since the announcement of installing the missile shield near the Korean peninsula.

Thus, the statements took a different turn but with conditions ... It is the American game that leads only to diluting the issue and making it spin in circles under the name of the six-party negotiations to ensure respect for North Korea's international commitments. [AFP 04/09/2013] The second in command official at the Pentagon, Ash Carter, said: "The United States is in close contact with China, Russia, South Korea and Japan," and he said that "he believes that China can play a greater role in influencing North Korea to stop its provocations," stressing "that China's influence on North Korea is greater than any other country." U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry mentioned in South Korea before heading to China: "The United States will never accept North Korea as a nuclear power." Stating, "It is up to Beijing to take a tougher stance with North Korea to push it towards abandoning its nuclear program." [Reuters: 12/04/2013] Thus, America wants to make the North Korea issue a regional issue especially with China, and not solely an American issue.

7. As for the position of China, it has changed this time from before; it did not support North Korea in its stride. The new Chinese president Ji Jin Ping said: "No country has the right to push Asia into chaos." And he added: "It is not allowed for anyone to push the region, or even the world, into chaos because of their selfishness." Also adding: "We should act in consultation to overcome major difficulties in order to ensure stability in Asia, which is facing new challenges, as long as there are sensitive issues and traditional and non-traditional security threats." [Middle East: 04/07/2013] China's Foreign Minister Wan Bi called for "the need to resolve the crisis through dialogue." (same source) The Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Hong Lei has announced that "the best solution for the North Korean nuclear issue is for all parties to show responsibility." [Reuters: 8/4/2013] China has

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supported the Security Council resolution to toughen sanctions on North Korea after the latter conducted its third nuclear test. This does not mean that China has abandoned its friend North Korea, but it appears that China believes that the actions of North Korea may harm it and was disturbed by it, because it enhances the U.S. presence in the region and gives America excuses to establish a missile shield in the region as a whole and be directed against it and its missiles, eventually failing its plans of controlling its region.

China announced its regrets for the Pyongyang Declaration to restart the nuclear reactor. The International Atomic Energy Agency said that this declaration is another development, creating great regret and constitutes a flagrant violation of Security Council resolutions. This reactor is the only source for the production of plutonium for North Korea's nuclear program. It is likely that the North has plutonium stocks enough to make 4 or 8 nuclear bombs.

8. As for Russia's position, it takes the path as America, disapproving of North Korea's actions. Russian Foreign Ministry spokesman Alexander Ukashevich declared: "We stand in solidarity with them with respect to rejecting the approach of behavioral provocation and belligerent to Pyongyang at the moment." But he added at the same time that "we should not give up on making political and diplomatic efforts, because any country can bring the risk of severe turmoil in Northeast Asia." [Reuters: 09/04/2013] Russia has agreed to tightening sanctions on North Korea in the Security Council after the third experiment two months ago. Russia did not take serious measures towards the U.S. anti-North Korea position, and America's provocation against it by conducting maneuvers with South Korea while engaging its advanced weapons in these maneuvers, Russia therefore did not heed to it neither did they renounce it, knowing that this poses danger for the region and aims to strengthen the U.S. presence in it to terrorize everyone and impose an American dominance on the world. It is directed against Russia itself in a way to disallow it to have any presence in this region. This behavior indicates the poor international political performance of Russia and it minimizes it to a level not worthy of a great state which has its own international interests and competes with the leading state or works on relegating it off this position.

9. So that, we can say that America was successful in provoking North Korea through the massive maneuvers conducted near North Korea and through sanctions, which led North Korea to escalating the nuclear threats and war atmosphere, which allowed America to find an excuse to expand its military presence in the region and the deployment of the missile shield.

However, the arrogance of America, that is arrogant with its strength makes its goals easily exposed, which allows China to realize the ploys of America's political and expansionist objectives in the region, and all this will make the installment of the missile shield enter into the spiral of the Chinese opposition from anew.

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