

Open Letter to Pakistan's New Military Command

Asalaamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah!

After the recent round of promotions to the levels of Brigadier, Major-General, Lieutenant-General and General, we address you all as the new military command of Pakistan's armed forces, one of the world's most capable fighting forces. No doubt military command is a great duty in our Deen and a source of great reward. Indeed, the Final Messenger to all humankind, RasulAllah (saaw), himself was a military commander, after he (saaw) made Hijrah to Madinah on 12th Rabiul-Awwal, having previously secured Nussrah (Material Support) from your noble predecessors, the military command of the Ansaar (ra). Thus, RasulAllah (saaw) set the glorious example of military command for you, securing the Muslims from their enemies and raising the word of Allah (swt) as the highest before all of humankind.

We put to you that the greatest challenge you face is to end Pakistan's alliance with the United States. Far from being a source of strength by which to counter India's regional mischief, this alliance is the cause of our being progressively and perilously weakened before India.

Through its alliance in the era of General Musharraf, the US exploited the intelligence, bases and air corridors of our armed forces to make possible its invasion and subsequent occupation of Afghanistan in the first place. Then, the US promptly opened the doors of Afghanistan to India to grant it an unprecedented presence there, which the Hindu State began using as a base to destabilize Pakistan, igniting the fires of chaos and Fitna throughout our soil. Firmly allied to the United States, General Musharraf then declared Jihad in Kashmir as "terrorism," an American demand that granted great relief to India, whose cowardly troops were shaken by small groups of poorly armed, yet highly motivated Muslims.

Then, through its alliance in the era of General Kayani, Washington ensured our armed forces were massively deployed on the Western border. It is this American demand which not only granted India on the Eastern border even greater relief, further bolstering its regional ambitions, it reduced Pakistan's armed forces role to that of a security detail for the American and Indian presence in Afghanistan.

Then, through its alliance in the era of General Raheel, Washington brought further relief for India, through ensuring the forceful suppression of Islam under the banner of "fighting extremism," stabbing the Muslim resistance in Kashmir in the back under the banner of "ending cross border terrorism" and restricting us to frustrating, token, tit-for-tat responses in the face of ever increasing Indian aggression on our eastern borders, under the banner of "restraint."

And now if alliance with the United States is allowed to continue under General Bajwa, Pakistan will be herded towards US sponsored talks with India, to bury forever any hope of a fully liberated Kashmir being unified with Pakistan. This American ploy is to grant India a victory through the maze of diplomatic talks that it could never secure for itself on the battlefield. As for the "normalization" of relations, it is an American demand to permanently remove Pakistan as an obstacle to India as the dominant regional power, through a whole host of security concessions, including our falling on the sword of self-inflicted nuclear disarmament.

Respected military commanders!

America is an open, hostile, Kaffir enemy of Muslims. Its enmity is apparent from its support of the Hindu State in the east and the Jewish State in the west. Its enmity is evident from its aggression in Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria. Its enmity is clear from its relentless bringing Pakistan to heel before India. Islam forbids alliance with the enemy forces who fight Muslims,

occupies our lands and desires only our ruin, for Allah (swt) said, ﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَتَّخِذُوا عَدُوِّي﴾
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and your enemy as allies, meeting them with softness. Indeed, they disbelieve in that
which has come to you of truth.” [Surah Mutahina 60:1] And we assure you that you are not
only fully capable of ending alliance with Washington, the situation is ripe for it.

Consider, respected commanders, the weaknesses of the United States itself. Militarily, its
own forces, whose lack of bravery cripples their possession of sophisticated weaponry, have
been shaken by small, poorly armed tribal men in Afghanistan, forcing them to come to rely
upon our armed forces. Economically, the consuming greed of its elite has led to an immense
and unsustainable concentration of wealth within a few, causing the collapsing of its economy.
Politically, its standing and reputation is in tatters through its naked, violent pursuit of material
resources abroad, inciting great hatred against it, not just within the Muslim World, but beyond
it.

Consider that despite the immense oppression against the Ummah from the current tyrant
rulers, our Ummah has not retreated rather it has grown in its commitment to Islam. The
rejection of colonialism and Democracy is stronger than ever before within her, as is her
demand for ruling of Islam and establishing its Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of the
Prophethood. Thus, the Islamic Ummah would rejoice, applaud and fully support your brave and
bold step to deliver that which she desires most.

Consider also that Hizb ut Tahrir under its Ameer, Sheikh Ata ibn Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, is
fully prepared for ruling by Islam, commanding legions of capable politicians whose influence
extends from Indonesia in the east to Morocco in the west. Today they work tirelessly day and
night, despite immense persecution against them by the current tyrants, which includes arrests,
abduction and the severest of torture. And soon, when the Khilafah is established at your
hands, they will work with the same commitment to Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saaw) to
ensure the unification of the current Muslim states as the single most resourceful state in the
world.

And consider above all else, that when you move in support of Islam and its Deen, in
humble and complete submission to the commands of our Lord (swt), you will earn the help of
Allah (swt). Indeed, history has been made by the Muslim military commanders who wielded
this help as their most powerful weapon, succeeding against their enemies despite
overwhelming odds, from Khalid bin Waleed (ra), to Salahuddin and Muhammad bin Qasim.
Walk now in the footsteps of the righteous military commanders, grant Nussrah for the
establishment of the Khilafah and you will need no helper other than Allah (swt), as you march
towards dignity and victory.

Allah (swt) said,

﴿إِنْ يَنْصُرْكُمُ اللَّهُ فَلَا غَالِبَ لَكُمْ وَإِنْ يَخْذُلْكُمْ فَمَنْ ذَا الَّذِي يَنْصُرُكُمْ مِنْ بَعْدِهِ وَعَلَى اللَّهِ فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ﴾

“If Allah helps you, none can overcome you; and if He forsakes you, who is there
after Him that can help you? And in Allah (Alone) let believers put their trust.” [Surah Aali-
i-Imran 3:160]

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