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Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, La Ilaha Ila Allah,
Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Wa lilah Alhamd

To the Islamic Ummah whom Allah honoured and
described as:

كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ
“You are the best Ummah to be raised up for
mankind, you command the Ma’roof (right) and you
forbid the Munkar (wrong) and you believe in Allah”
[Al-i-Imraan: 110].

To the dawah carriers, Shabab and Shabaat of Hizb ut
Tahrir, the pure and God-fearing carriers of the Da’wah,
and we do not attempt to purify any one before Allah,
those who speak the good speech and undertake the
righteous action, and then as a result Allah commended
those of these characteristics:

وَمَنْ أَحْسَنُ قَوْلًا مِمَّنْ دَعَا إِلَى اللَّهِ وَعَمِلَ صَالِحًا وَقَالَ إِنِّي مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ
“And who is better in speech than one who invites to
Allah and does righteousness and says: “Verily, I am
of the Muslims” [Fussilat: 33].

To the noble visitors of the Facebook page whom visiting
it upon truth and truthfulness, seeking the good that it
carries, so may Allah recompense them with goodness...

To them all,

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatuh

I congratulate them upon the occasion of Eid ul-Adhaa
and may Allah accept their good deeds. I ask Allah
Subhaanahu to accept the Hajj of those undertaking it
and to make it a Hajj that is accepted, an effort which is
received well and sins that are forgiven. And I also ask
Allah Subhaanahu to grant Tawfeeq to those who did
not perform the Hajj this year that they perform it in the
following year with goodness upon goodness, and Allah
Subhaanahu is the Wali (Guardian) of the righteous.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Eid comes this year in the
absence of our Khilafah. Thus the Kaffir colonialists and
their agents dared against us and ignited the murder
and bloodshed in our countries. Their brutal crimes have
spread from explosive barrels to destructive missiles to
chemical weapons ... all this by their hands at times and
in the hands of their agents other times. Wherever you
look you find the blood of the Muslims is shed unjustly
and due to aggression... In the East is Burma, and what

do you know of Burma, the Muslims’ situation there is
heartbreaking, due to the crimes of Buddhists and their
atrocities that even monsters of the jungle reject ... And
then you see Kashmir and the crimes of India there ... To
the north you see Chechnya and the Caucasus and then
Crimea which is ravaged by the hands of Russia, which
drowned it with crime and blood ... If you walk from there
eastwards to East Turkestan, you will see China and its
various art of aggression ... If you walk south and touch
the coast of the sea, you will find the heart of Muslim
lands, the Blessed Land, Palestine, the first of the two
Qiblas. You will see the Jews usurping it and committing
crimes and massacres, and hear the moaning of its
Masjid groaning from a deep wound that makes it sound
like it is taking its last breath.

Then Ash-Sham and what do you know of Ash-Sham,
blood is shed there from each side, the brutal massacres
are almost rife in the alleys and neighbourhoods by the
tyrant of Ash-Sham, and behind him and before him
America and the followers and the supporters from
Russia to Iran and then the militias ... All these ignite the
fire, killing and bloodshed with all destructive means of
killing ... And here the massacres of Idlib are intensifying
through the brutal bombardment from all sides, and
the hordes of tyrants bound for it, mixed with deals of
treason surrounding it ... Then Iraq, Ash-Sham’s sister
in tragedies and calamities ... If you go south to Yemen,
which was once happy, you will see it has become
sad by the tragedies of fighting fed by the colonial
Kafir countries, which took it as the field of competition
between them over our skulls and blood... If you head
towards where the sun sets, you will find Libya and the
infighting between Muslims. Then if you head towards
Central Africa, you will see that the Muslims have
suffered harm and damage and the shedding of innocent
blood; the violation of sanctities there is indescribable...
Then its neighbour Sudan, that its south is separated
from the north, leaving its wound bleeding. Then Somalia
that moans from the terrible pain and the terrible fighting
for years.

All these tragedies are in the lands of the Muslims, which
in their past years were honoured with Islam, the banner
of Islam, the Athan of Islam, and the justice of Islam
... But after the destruction of the Khilafah (Caliphate)
and the departure of the Imam, the shield (al-Junnah),
the situation changed, the Ummah suffered and the
Kafir colonizers and their agents the unjust rulers have
descended and collaborated against it. Not to mention
the tragedies of Muslims in the country of the Kuffar, they

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are numerous, those nations want to get Muslims out of their skin (identity), so they attack the Muslim women's dress, and they want to muzzle the sound of their Athan, and they spread the hatred against them in their societies, their life facilities and even on their roads... It is a tragedy since the absence of the Khilafah, each one leading to the other, accumulated calamities that leaves the patient one confused.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, these tragedies if they inflict any other nation it would have collapsed or almost will, and would have given up on the continuation of life, if there is life left... As for the Islamic Ummah, it has in the Book of its Lord and the Sunnah of its Prophet and even in the phenomena of creations of the night and day, which makes it steadfast during adversity and its resolve does not soften in crises, but increases in strength on top of its strength and increase its resolve on top of its determination and performs its work strongly and best manner and relies on its Lord sincerely:

* From the Book of its Lord: the verses are explicit of this:

فَإِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا * إِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا

“For indeed, with hardship [will be] ease *Indeed, with hardship [will be] ease” [Ash-Sharh: 5-6],

حَتَّىٰ إِذَا اسْتَيْسَسَ الرُّسُلُ وَظَنُّوا أَنَّهُمْ قَدْ كُذِّبُوا جَاءَهُمْ نَصْرُنَا فَنُجِّيَ مَنْ نَشَاءُ وَلَا يُرَدُّ بَأْسُنَا عَنِ الْقَوْمِ الْمُجْرِمِينَ

“[They continued] until, when the messengers despaired and were certain that they had been denied, there came to them Our victory, and whoever We willed was saved. And Our punishment cannot be repelled from the people who are criminals” [Yusuf: 110],

أَمْ حَسِبْتُمْ أَنْ تُدْخَلُوا الْجَنَّةَ وَلَمَّا يَأْتِكُمْ مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ خَلَوْا مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ مَسَّتْهُمُ الْبَأْسَاءُ وَالضَّرَاءُ وَزُلُّوا حَتَّىٰ يَقُولَ الرَّسُولُ وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مَعَهُ مَتَىٰ نَصْرُ اللَّهِ أَلَا إِنَّ نَصْرَ اللَّهِ قَرِيبٌ

“Or do you think that you will enter Paradise while such [trial] has not yet come to you as came to those who passed on before you? They were touched by poverty and hardship and were shaken until [even their] messenger and those who believed with him said, “When is the help of Allah?” Unquestionably, the help of Allah is near.” [Al-Baqara: 214]

* In the Seerah of its Prophet: what happened to the Messenger of Allah (saw) during the year of grief, when Khadija (ra), the Mother of the Believers died, and then was the death of Abu Talib, who supported the Messenger of Allah (saw). Then the violent response from the people of Taif, which made the Messenger of Allah (saw) bleed. And then the crisis intensified and they agreed to kill the Messenger of Allah (saw). Then they (Qurayish) followed him (saw) to the Cave of Thor, where he was hiding with his friend Abu Bakr, may Allah be pleased with him. They (Qurayish) stood in front of the door of the cave only separated from the Messenger of Allah by an arm span or a few more... This was on the

eve of that day, and a day or two later the Prophet (saw) established the state in Medina and elevating its structure to fill the world with light and declares the Truth...

* As for the phenomena of the creation of night and day, the intensification of the darkness of the night is followed by light of the true dawn, and that is a sign for the people of intellect.

Thus, the Islamic Ummah does not despair of the mercy of Allah, and it recognizes that after hardship comes ease, after the difficulty comes the solution, and the light of dawn follows the darkness of the night ...So it is not shaken by tremors, but works and works sincerely to Allah and is truthful to the Messenger of Allah... It is not hurt by those who deviate from it or go astray; most do not accept other than Islam as an alternative...

Dear Brothers and Sisters, those Kuffar have breathed a sigh of relief after the Khilafah was abolished, so they have committed their crimes while they are safe, no one stands in their way or repel them from their crimes or send them back to their homes ... They understand that the shield of the Muslims has been removed, and they exert all their effort to stop it from returning. This is because they know that the maker of this shield is the Khilafah, this is where the Muslims protection and honour lies. This is why they are pursuing the workers working to re-establish the Khilafah.

Thus, Hizb ut Tahrir became a target for the arrows of the colonial Kuffar and their agents the rulers in the Muslim countries. The Hizb was subjected to various harassment and torture leading to the martyrdom as a result of the plots of the Kuffar and the spies of the oppressors and the hatred of those spiteful. The Hizb has been banned and stopped in the Islamic world even in those countries that are open to parties in different forms such as Indonesia; the party has been banned there! As well as in those countries that open their doors to parties of all kinds, even to the wretched, such as Tunisia, the party was also banned! As for the members of the party, the prisoners of the tyrants speak out of their suffering. They are tortured in their narrow prisons, and in their wider prison they are persecuted. So why is this? It is for speaking the word of Truth, which the party proclaims, and it stabs them harder than the sword, because they do not have an argument to stand before the word of truth. May Allah destroy them, how are they deluded?

Dear Brothers and Sisters: These tragedies that inflict the Ummah and the workers of the Khilafah are very severe, and if Allah did not make Eid a source of pleasure and a gateway in the hearts of Muslims for joy and happiness, and the good family ties, and the Ummah spreading the greetings and best regards in it. If it wasn't for the presence of the promise of Allah (swt) that the empowerment and honour is coming for this Ummah ... And if it wasn't for the existence of the glad-tidings from

the Prophet (saw) of the return of the Khilafah... And if it wasn't for the presence of a sincere party to Allah (swt), true with the Messenger of Allah, working day and night, calling and beseeching Allah to open by their hands and be the one to establish of the Khilafah and re-establish the glory of Islam and Muslims ... without these four; it would be hard to smile, because there is a wound in the heart, and a lump in the throat, because of the many tragedies that surround the Muslims from front and back, and from the right and left; the Khilafah is absent for about a century. The Muslims are torn and divided ruled by tyrant Ruwaybiddah (the ignorant). Not to mention the aggression of the colonial Kuffar and their allies in the country and the people, as if the Muslim countries is a field of conflict to shed our blood and violate our sanctities.

However, with the severity of these tragedies, Hizb ut Tahrir is assured of the victory of Allah and the fulfillment of His promise and the glad-tidings of His Messenger (saw). It does not despair from the mercy of Allah as long as it does a good work with the permission of its Lord. The party realizes that the time of the Khilafah is written in the Book. Each day passes makes this day closer. A party like this that does not allow despair into its heart and its resolve does not weaken and its determination is not broken, with the permission Al-Aziz Al-Hakim, but adversities increase its strength, since adversities are the test of men, and the members of the party are the real men who ask Allah (swt) to make them from those whom Allah (swt) said of them:

رَجَالٌ لَا تُلْهِبُهُمْ تِجَارَةٌ وَلَا بَيْعٌ عَنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَإِقَامِ الصَّلَاةِ وَإِيتَاءِ الزَّكَاةِ يَخَافُونَ
يَوْمًا تَتَقَلَّبُ فِيهِ الْقُلُوبُ وَالْأَبْصَارُ...

“[Are] men whom neither commerce nor sale distracts from the remembrance of Allah and performance of prayer and giving of zakah. They fear a Day in which the hearts and eyes will [fearfully] turn about” [An-Noor: 37]

They carry the call with their belief with a blessing from Allah, and this call will rise on their hands, Allah willing, and then the promise of Allah (swt) and the glad-tidings of his Messenger will be fulfilled in the three divisions with Allah's tawfeeq (success) and help:

* First: the restoration of the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the method of Prophethood after this oppressive rule: Imam Ahmad, and At-Taylasi in his Musnad from the Hadith of Hudhayfah, said: “The Messenger of Allah (saw) said: «... ثُمَّ تَكُونُ جَبْرِيَّةً، فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ، ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا، ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَىٰ مِنْهَاجِ النَّبُوَّةِ...” “Then there will be oppressive kingship for as long as Allah wills, then he will remove it when He wills, and then there will be Khilafah upon the Prophetic method.”

* Second: by uprooting of the Jewish state from its roots. Muslim narrated in his Saheeh on the authority of Abu Hurayrah, may Allah be pleased with him: The

Messenger of Allah (saw) said: «لَا تَقُومُ السَّاعَةُ حَتَّىٰ يُقَاتِلَ...» «...الْمُسْلِمُونَ الْيَهُودَ، فَيَقْتُلُهُمُ الْمُسْلِمُونَ ثَقَاتِكُمْ يَهُودُ،» “The hour will not come until the Muslims fight the Jews, the Muslims will kill them...” In another version, He (saw) said: «فَتَسْلُطُونَ عَلَيْهِمْ» “The Jews will fight you, and you will dominate them.”

* Third: In the opening of Rome, with Allah's permission,

Ahmad narrated in his Musnad and Al-Hakim, and it was corrected and approved by Az-Zhabi from Abi Qabeel, he said: We were with Abdullah bin Amr ibn al-Aas: He said: While we were around the Messenger of Allah (saw) writing, the Messenger of Allah (saw) was asked: “Which of the two cities will be opened first: Constantinople or Rome?” The Messenger of Allah (saw) said: «مَدِينَةُ هِرَاقْلَ» «تَفْتَحُ أَوَّلًا، يَعْنِي قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةَ» “The city of Heraclius will be opened first, meaning Constantinople”. Constantinople was opened, and Rome will be opened, Allah willing.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, pondering on the above mentioned with a sound mind and a wise understanding it is a hope after pain, and joy and glad-tidings after a sad reality, and ease after hardship, and happiness after the long long suffering, and the descent of Allah's prayers and mercy after “to Allah we belong and to Him we shall return” ...

Then the good and victory... the good and victory ... then the good and victory.

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

“And that day the believers will rejoice. With the victory of Allah. He gives victory to whom He wills, and He is the Exalted in Might, the Merciful” [Ar-Rum: 4-5]

In conclusion, I ask Him Subhaanahu that this Eid of goodness and a blessing returns whilst the Islamic Ummah is under the shade of the Uqab Rayah (banner) of the Khilafah Rashidah, the Rayah of Laa Ilaaha Illallah Muhammadur Rasoolullah

And I ask Allah (swt) that the members of Hizb ut Tahrir are at the forefront of this Ummah, standing with it under the shade of the Khilafah Rashidah...As for the members who pass away before the return of this Eid, I ask Allah (swt) to grant them a place under His shade on the day when there is no shade but His (swt). Allah is Ar-Rahman Ar-Rahim.

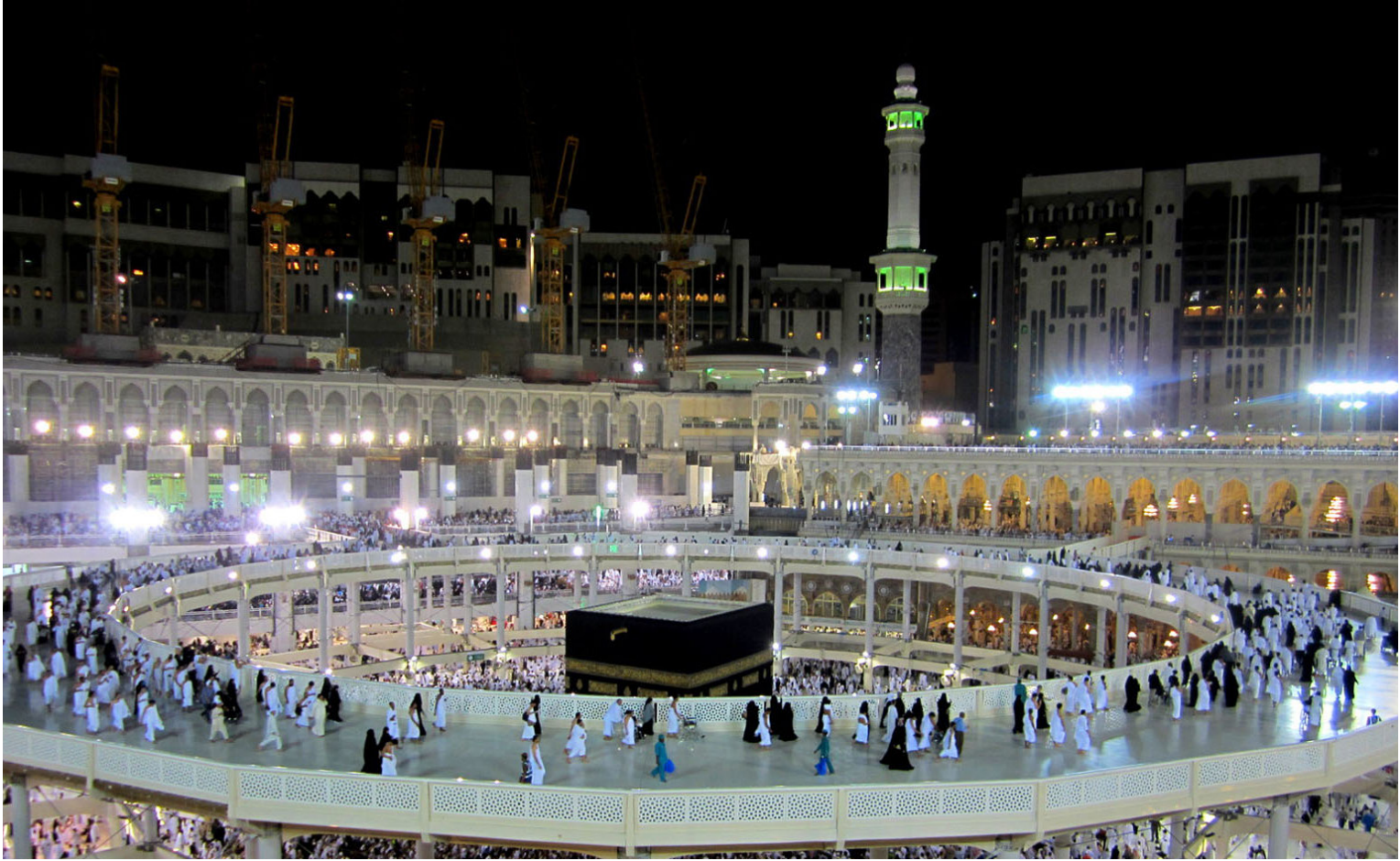
In my final conclusion, I send you my Salaam, I make Du'aa for goodness for you.

Wasalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakaatuhu.

Your Brother,

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Important Considerations in the Hajj Ritual



Hajj is among the compulsory obligations in Islam. The pillar among the five pillars of Islam is required to be performed directly during the lifetime of a mature Muslim who is able to meet expenses of the journey. The obligatory revelation of this ritual was deferred until the year 9 AH. The wisdom behind the deferment of the revelation is said to be the fact that Mecca was still under the Quraysh idolatry who used to circumambulate the Ka'ba naked and worship idols. After the conquest of Mecca in the year 8 AH by Muslims led by the Prophet (saw) cleansed it from the impurity of idols and annexed it with the Islamic State (Darul-Islam) whose capital was Medina al-Munawwarah.

Many people especially the youth are carried away by life where despite being able to go for pilgrimage they create a notion that it's not yet time until old age! They feel that the youth stage is characterized by sins thus going for Hajj at this age is of no use. This is an erroneous thought and very dangerous since Islam requires its adherents to hasten in performing this obligation specifically and good deeds in general. The life of human is but seconds, minutes and hours thus any moment a servant could depart to his Lord when his timespan comes to an end. No soul will be delayed or be advanced when its timespan comes to an end.

عن ابن عباس رضي الله عنهما قال: قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: تعجلوا الى الحج فإن أحدكم لا يدري ما يعرض له

On the authority of Ibn Abbas (ra) said: The Messenger (saw) said: 'Hasten in performing Hajj since no one of you knows what could prevent him from it'

The Hajj ritual just like fasting and other rituals of worship is blended with the issue of piety. Allah (swt) said regarding Saum:

..كتب عليكم الصيام كما كتب على الذين من قبلكم لعلكم تتقون يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا

O you who have believed, decreed upon you is fasting as it was decreed upon those before you that you may become righteous [Al-Baqarah: 183].

ذَلِكَ وَمَنْ يُعْظِمَ شَعَائِرَ اللَّهِ فَإِنَّهَا مِنْ تَقْوَى الْقُلُوبِ

That [is so]! And whoever honors the symbols of Allah - indeed, it is from the piety of hearts. [Al-Hajj: 32]

Here we find that the essence as to why Allah (swt) commanded us to worship Him is to strengthen our bond with Him; this does not mean that He is in need of our rituals as He (swt) is self-sufficient and does not need anything to add up to His Kingdom. It also means that when performing these rituals, we are supposed to ensure that we attain the highest level of piety and not just mere performance...

When Muslims perform Hajj they do it to their best i.e. with the objective of earning rewards and not for worldly gains. In other words, the objective of Hajj is to attain the pleasure of Allah (swt) only and not to seek for the world benefits. It is true that a Muslim could get some world benefits within the Hajj nevertheless that should not be the intention of the Hajj ritual despite the fact that we have been allowed by Allah (swt) to look for world benefits after having completed the pilgrimage due to meeting of different people. Allah (swt) says:

لَيَشْهَدُوا مَنَافِعَ لَهُمْ

That they may witness benefits for themselves [Al-Hajj: 28]

This understanding of the obligation of Hajj is crucial since the rules of Islam are classified into two: -

Rules that were made compulsory for the purpose of drawing closer to Allah (swt) and nothing from the worldly gain. Hajj, Prayers and Fasting are examples of rituals of worship made compulsory to Muslims in their essence i.e. with the objective of earning rewards without considering materialistic objective...

Then there are rules that were made compulsory not only in drawing closer to Allah (swt) but also ensuring attainment of specific worldly objectives in the course of their implementation. For instance, currently Muslims are living under kufr leadership, when carrying the da'wah Muslims should not carry it without having in mind the objective of making Islam dominant upon all other ways of life, as well as earning rewards. That was how he (saw) carried the call and that is why when he (saw) saw resistance from the Meccan society towards Islam he prepared the Medinan society which eventually accepted Islam and the Prophet (saw) established his State there. Likewise, to the rules of Jihad, Muslims do not only fight for martyrdom but also to defend the Muslim blood against their enemies when they attack their land, and remove physical obstacles that hinder the spread of Islam so that the entire world is led by the justice of Islam. Chopping off the hand of a thief is a rule that lead to protection of property...

It will be incomplete to discuss this noble ritual without mentioning the issue of unity which manifest itself every time the pilgrims meet in the Holy City of Mecca especially at the gathering of Arafah. This gathering reminds that the Islamic Ummah is one where Allah (swt) reminds His servants:

وَإِنَّ هَذِهِ أُمَّتُكُمْ أُمَّةً وَاحِدَةً وَأَنَا رَبُّكُمْ فَاتَّقُونِ

And indeed this, your religion, is one religion, and I am your Lord, so fear Me. [Al-Muminuun: 52]

It also reminds the words of he (saw) in praising the Medinan society when he arrived to be part of it by saying:

“هذا كتاب من محمد النبي (رسول الله) بين المؤمنين والمسلمين من قريش وأهل يثرب ومن اتبعهم فلحق بهم وجاهد معهم...إنهم أمة واحدة من دون الناس”

This document is from Muhammad the Messenger of Allah among the believers and Muslims from the Quraysh (Emigrants) and the people of Yathrib (Protectors) and whoever follows and affiliates to them and fight with them: 'Indeed all are one Ummah to the exclusion of others

This is a reminder to the pilgrims that this Ummah is bounded strongly by a true ideological bond, which is the only bond that forever guarantees the unity of the Ummah. All other bonds of racism, patriotism, nationalism and tribalism are superficial and Islam prohibited Muslims from adhering to them. Moreover, this unity must be under one leader the Khalifah who will protect it and fight against anyone who tries to break it. And since the Ummah today lacks the Khalifah, the Hajj is thus supposed to reinvigorate all Muslims to work for the resumption of the Islamic way of life by establishing the Khalifah that will uphold this unity.

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On the backdrop of the Nuclear Bomb Attack on Nagasaki The West is the Enemy of Muslims and Humanity

Press Statement

On 9/8/2018, Japan commemorated the 73rd anniversary of the victims of the atomic bomb dropped by the United States on Nagasaki during the final days of the Second World War. About 74,000 people died from the effects of the bomb, while the bomb that hit the city of Hiroshima on 6/8/1945 claimed the lives of 140,000 who were considered by US Colonel Harry Cunningham as legitimate targets. And he even considered all the population of Japan as legitimate targets. This nuclear attack is a stark testimony to the absence of any moral, human or spiritual value in the policies of the Kafir colonial countries. We need long records to count the shameful crimes committed by Western countries in their brutal campaigns to colonize the world over the past centuries, sparing no spot in the world from any of these crimes; we refer only to the most prominent of these: the war of extermination of the Native American Indians in the New World (North, Central and South America), or the wars of plundering Africa's wealth and enslavement of the people, or the famous opium war that Britain (famous for the saying: "white man's burden") sought to enrich its treasury at the expense of the Chinese people, all the way to the American nuclear bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki without any military strategic justification. This is by the testimony of senior military commanders in America, including General Eisenhower commander of US forces in Europe, and Admiral William Halsey, who said, "the first atomic bomb was an unnecessary experiment... It was a mistake.... [the scientists] had this toy and they wanted to try it out, so they dropped it!"

Of course, the record of Western criminality has not stopped at this point; Vietnam's history, villages and countryside testify to the extent of the American evil that despite raising the alleged Statue of Liberty in New York's Ellis Island, its political and military leaders did not rest while enjoying their toys, including internationally banned weapons, from napalm to Agent Orange Chemical warfare, which is forbidden only on paper. Otherwise modern warfare (from World War I to War II) has seen what the pen cannot describe of the massacres, including the killing of wounded prisoners in hospitals, of course. In addition to waging full blown out wars that do not discriminate between a child or woman, old man or woman, human life is of no value to these demons of humankind, all these crimes are committed under what name? In order to achieve the colonial interests for a handful of capitalists who control the country and the people!!

Therefore, it is so strange when you hear or read a statement by one or another of the son of Muslims who call upon the "international community" to implement such and such a decision by the Security Council or the United Nations, which unite only on evil and criminality. The latest is the demand of the so-called "representatives" of the Syrian opposition from the international bodies, and the Security Council to put "pressure" on the regime of Damascus' Butcher to release detainees! Are they ignorant of the fact that the "international community" was the first to know the truth of the crimes of Bashar and before him his perished father Hafez, as well as the crimes of Sisi, and their likes of the rulers of Muslim the criminals who do not honour any pact or ties with the believers? If they do not know that it is a calamity, and if they know, then the calamity is greater.

It is time for our Ummah to realize the reality of the conflict it is engaged in, which forces it to identify the friend from the enemy: the colonial West, along with its Russian partners, are the enemy, and the tools to implement Western policies from international bodies and the so-called "international community" and "international legitimacy" are all lethal tools that must be denounced. We must work to restore the Ummah's decision in its own hands. It must not allow the tyrannical states to take control of our issues or to promote their poisoned solutions. This applies to all our issues from Palestine to Syria, Sudan, Kashmir and others.

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Oh Youth Join the True Islamic Revival

Since time in memorial youth were targeted in various ways e.g. giving them constant false hopes as well as unfulfilled pledges.

12th August every year has been designated as an International Youth Day, generally the international status of youth is pathetic, majority of them are despaired with life! The oppressive capitalist ideology currently ruling mankind has abandoned the youth to the extent that some opted to take serious decisions such as suicide, drug abuse etc.

Youth age is a gift and trust bestowed to man by his Creator. It is at this age that man possesses greater potential of physical strength and mental capacity and contemplation. Youth age is compared to midday sun when the sun at the midpoint, and old age is compared to sunset associated with fragility. Furthermore, things whether beneficial or harmful are committed during the youthful age, numerous scholars sort and achieved knowledge at their youthful age. For instance, the scholar, politician and great Mujtahid of this age Sheikh Taqiuddin An-Nabahan (May Allah have mercy on him) had memorized the whole Quran by the age of 12. Prophet Ibrahim (as) at his tender age was able to debate King Nimrod with strong proofs and defeated him, Prophet Yusuf (as) was appointed to be agricultural administrator in Egypt when he was a young man.

Notwithstanding this, the capitalist ideology has abandoned the youth despite being an important asset in man's prosperity. The United Nation's International Labor Organization (ILO) 2015 statistics show that only 25% of international labor force comprises of youth. This implies that majority of the workforce have surpassed the youthful age, whereas more than 43% of youth globally are unemployed. In the developing countries, which are colonies of western capitalist nations, 31% of its youth have insufficient education to seek for employment.

The euphoria in advocating for unlawful democratic change termed as people's revolution which started in Tunisia and spread to the Arab world and Middle East in general was directly supported by the youth. It is the Muslim youths who participated greatly in the revolution where they exhibited great bravery, resilience and sacrifice and the die-hard spirit to ensure that there is change of leadership. Unfortunately, their die-hard spirit and sacrifices was diverted by mental slavery of the western democratic thoughts and fought tooth and nail to demand for unlawful dangerous democratic change. A change that denies Allah (swt) a role in their lives. This was serious abuse of energy and sacrifice of Muslim youths.

It should be noted that a greater intellectual capacity, analytical thinking and deep contemplation together with good leadership blending our youth talents with Islam will lead to the youth seeing the truth faster, understanding it and eventually adhering to it. History confirms to us that fact. If we look at the first followers of the Messenger (saw), all were youth, and that is why the Messenger (saw) said, "**The youth were the ones who embraced and accepted while the old rejected me.**" Usually majority of the old are rigid to take serious decisions and coward to change.

We attest this in the story of the people of the cave (As'hab al-Kahf), they were youth who left the false religion and polytheistic traditions and resorted for real change by accepting and believing in one true God, Allah (swt). The Quran reminds us by His (swt) saying:

إِنَّهُمْ فَتْنَةٌ آمَنُوا بِرَبِّهِمْ وَرَدَّنَاهُمْ هُدًى

Indeed, if they come to know of you, they will stone you or return you to their religion. And never would you succeed, then - ever [TMQ 18:13]

The time is now for Muslim youths to join our energies in carrying thoughts that will bring true Islamic change. Thoughts that will emancipate us from mental slavery of the evil manmade secular capitalist ideology and lead us to be slaves and servants of Allah (swt) alone by implementing the Islamic ideology globally. A just ideology approved by our Creator.

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True Happiness and Success



Majority of people whomever you see is on the move whether rich or poor all are busy day and night working hard beyond their limits in pursuance of happiness and success. In order for us to understand their struggle it is imperative for us to get the true meaning of happiness and success. In order for us to get the correct meaning of these terms it is inevitable for us to refer to a creed as it is the basis from which we can evaluate the meaning validity or invalidity of any word. Since we are being ruled by the capitalist ideology emanating from the creed of secularism (detachment of religion from life). The creed has brought a lot of confusion in human being by failing to provide genuine answers to basic questions facing him i.e. what is universe, man and life. Instead left everyone to answer for himself the way he wants through the materialistic measure. The creed conferred upon human beings powers and authority, which in origin belong to Allah (swt). Among the powers include legislating laws based upon his weak limited mind to manage general affairs of man. The creed was not only satisfied with conferment of the powers to man but rather it explained to him the objective of his being in this world i.e. attainment of optimum level of sensual gratification. And that happiness comes from the freedom a human being enjoys from doing what he wants at any time. And a successful human being is who has attained optimum level in satisfying his desires!

Therefore, you will see adherents of the secular creed continuously running up and down believing that being on the run will enable them to acquire a lot of wealth, which in turn will enable them satisfy their organic desires and eventually be happy and successful. The situation is far from the truth; this is due to the incompatibility of the creed with human being's nature. The situation is worst and of despair as the adherents of this creed have sank to the lowest level than that of animals. People who own a lot of wealth/money have been witnessed still looting from the destitute, there are those who have wealth/money but are still concerned that they could go bankrupt and thus everyday they are conning people to keep adding up their wealth/money and others reach to an extent of taking their mothers as wives, while others take their children as husbands or wives! And men getting married to fellow men and women to fellow women! By an outward look, adherents of secularism are seen as affluent and should be taken as role models but by a closer look, they are people who are despaired with life full of frustrations where some even end up committing suicide!

On the other hand, we have the Islamic creed (There is none worthy of worship but Allah and Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah). This creed has solved for man the basic questions relating to universe, man and life that behind these things there is a Creator who is Allah (swt). And that they are within a specific system and they cannot

alter from it and are dependent on Him Allah (swt). And Allah gave man the obligation of worship throughout his life. Worship in the sense of abiding by the commands and abstaining from the prohibitions of Allah everywhere at all time. And the purpose of this life is for the sake of Islam and the routine task is to call for Islam. As for man's happiness, it emanates from abiding by the obedience to his Lord and his concerns (unhappiness) come from his going against the commands of Allah. And the successful one is he who has attained the pleasure of his Lord and die in a state of Islam in word and deed with the hope of entering Jannah and live eternally in it by the mercy of his Lord. As for the measure, it is halal and haram and consistency in doing halal leads man to piety.

With great sadness, Muslims currently despite having a pure creed revealed by their Lord Who preferred Islam for them. Still majority are prisoners of this evil creed knowingly or unknowingly. Since they were born, nurtured and raised in these colonial states run by the secular capitalist ideology which has made them to misinterpret Islam and hence sink deeper and remain in the darkness of secularism which continue ruling them to date. They understood worship as a personal matter confined within a mosque or an individual's home. Consequently, this Muslim is very harsh when a kafir wants to lead him in prayer but the same Muslim when he is out of the mosque he gives him leadership and submit to the will of the same kafir whom he opposed to lead him in prayer in the mosque! As a result, Muslims ended up having stressful life day and night undistinguishable from the kafir as every one of them is busy searching for happiness and success in accordance with the viewpoint of the secular creed.

The fundamental thing required now for a Muslim to strive day and night on the issue of how he can re-establish the Islamic Khilafah State. The State abolished on 28th Rajab 1342 AH corresponding to 3rd March 1924 by the enemies of Islam in collaboration with hypocrites within the state led by Mustafa Kamal. Through the establishment of the State Muslims will understand the true and tasteful meaning of **happiness and success in a pure Islamic perspective** ruled by a righteous leader who disregards the colonial borders and secular capitalist bonds. Muslims will acquire high status and rank on the face of the earth contrary to the current situation where despite having a pure creed, majority in numbers and numerous in resources still their blood is worthless like that of bedbugs and every second it is spilled recklessly all over the world. The root cause of all this is lack of the Islamic Khilafah (Caliphate) State which would motivate Muslims to be righteous through the education policy whose aim is to mold Muslims with an Islamic Personality.

Until the Khilafah State is established, true happiness and success will remain like searching for a mosquito wing in the darkest of nights. Only those who are working day and night upon the methodology of the Messenger (saw) to bring change on the face of the earth understand happiness and success in this world by spending wealth/trust bestowed to them by Allah. In accomplishing the matter despite some of them being incarcerated, while others enduring unspeakable difficult situations, while others losing their lives but never did they betray their pledge to Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw) but rather are always marching forward with conviction that indeed one day they will achieve real happiness i.e. dying in the state of Islam while steadfast in their resolve.

I ask Allah to awaken up all Muslims to understand the obligation that lies on their necks regarding the work to establish the Islamic Khilafah (Caliphate) State. And eventually join their brothers in Hizb ut Tahrir in carrying out this duty which has biggest rewards in this world and in the hereafter. And those who have already joined may He keep them steadfast in this Khair to the end of their lives. As for the non-Muslims may Allah awaken them to study Islam wholeheartedly and see it as an alternative solution to their secular capitalist ideology. Allahuma Amiin!

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The Prophet's (saw) Methodology for Revival

16th Halaqa: The Prophet's (saw) Journey to Taif to Seek Nusrah and Protection from the Thaqif

In this Circle, we will talk about the Prophet's (saw) journey to Taif to seek Nusrah and protection from the Thaqif. Ibn Ishaq said: When Abu Talib died, the Quraysh intensified their nuisance against the Prophet (saw) never seen before his death.

The Prophet set out for a journey to Taif to seek for Nusrah and protection with confidence that they will accept from him what he brought for them from Allah (swt), he went to them alone, they gave him a worst response as we shall see ahead...!

Here it requires a good understanding and great contemplation, and we recall that previously we had mentioned this in the subject of seeking Nusrah, and we repeat for the second time as an emphasis, that seeking of Nusrah is a matter that requires secretiveness. Consequently, the Prophet (saw) used to go seeking the Nusrah alone or with one of his companions, which implies confidentiality. This task does not require knowledge from others except those in the leadership...!

When the Prophet (saw) arrived in Taif he targeted a group within the Thaqif who were their chiefs and notables, and they were three: Abdu Yalayl, Mas'ud and Habib, together with a Quraysh woman, he sat with them and call them to Allah (swt), he explained what he had come to them with of asking for their support to him and Islam, and stand with him against whomever opposes him among his people.

One of them said: "I will steal the Ka'ba's cloth, if Allah has sent you with anything...!" The other one said: "Was Allah unable to send anyone else except you...!?" The third one said: "By Allah! I will never speak to you after this sitting; if truly you were a prophet as you purport, then you are of great caliber and more right that you don't deserve to speak with me! And if you are lying against Allah, then you are a great evil that I don't deserve to speak with you! It is not

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required of me to talk to you!” The Prophet (saw) stood up while in a state of despair on the Thaqif, he said to them: **“If that is what you have resolved then hide me!”**

They never did so, instead they sent their goons and slaves to insult and stone him until a crowd gathered at him, they ridiculed him (saw) and stood in two rows with stones, every step he (saw) made they stoned, ridiculed and humiliated him...!

When he (saw) left them, he sat at their garden under the grape tree, full of stress and pain. His (saw) feet were bleeding; at the garden were Utbah and Shaibah the sons of Rabi’ah.

When he (saw) saw them he detested to approach them knowing their animosity to Allah (swt) and His Messenger and the sons of Rabi’ah were staring at him, seeing what the goons of Taif were perpetrating. When the Prophet (saw) cooled down, he started supplicating to his Lord with a Du’ah, which opens the hearts, and activate the minds:

“O Allah! I complain to You of my weakness, my scarcity of resources and the humiliation I have been subjected to by the people. O Most Merciful of those who are merciful. O Lord of the weak and my Lord too. To whom have you entrusted me? To a distant person who receives me with hostility? Or to an enemy to whom you have granted authority over my affair? So long as You are not angry with me, I do not care. Your favor is of a more expansive relief to me. I seek refuge in the light of Your Face by which all darkness is dispelled and every affair of this world and the next is set right, lest Your anger or Your displeasure descends upon me. I desire Your pleasure and satisfaction until You are pleased. There is no power and no might except by You.”

The Prophet (saw) did all what he could, and with all his ability and strength from Allah (swt), and the Prophet (saw) remained with nothing but the strength from Allah Almighty that none can match with...!

ومن يتوكل على الله فهو حسبه

“And he who depends on Allah will suffice him” [Talaq: 3]

When Shayba and Utbah sons of Rabi’ah saw what befell the Prophet (saw), they were touched and sympathized with him, they called their Christian servant whose name was: Addas, and told him: “Take these grapes, put them in a container and take them to that man, and tell him to eat”, Addas did as ordered. He went and placed them in front of the Prophet (saw) then he said to him: “Eat”, the Prophet (saw) put his hand and said: in the Name of Allah, then he ate. Addas looked at the Prophet’s face then he said: “By Allah! Such words are not said to the people of this city”, The Prophet (saw) asked him, **“Which city are you from?”**, he replied: “I am from Ninawa city”, The Prophet (saw) said: **“It is among the cities of the righteous man Yunus bin Mattaa”**, Addas asked: “Do you know Yunus bin Mattaa?”, The Prophet (saw) replied: **“This is my brother he was a prophet and I am a Prophet”**. Addas bowed down at the Prophet (saw) and kissed his head, hands and feet...!

One of the sons of Rabi’ah said to the other: “He has brainwashed your youth”, when Addas returned they asked him: “Woe unto you! What is the matter with you, why were you kissing the man’s head, hands and feet...?!” He replied: “Oh my master there is nothing better in this land than that man...! He informed me of a matter that no one knows except a prophet...!” They told him: “Woe unto you oh Addas, let him not remove you from your religion, your religion is better than his...!”

Q&A

The Russian-American Summit in Helsinki

Question

The presidents of the United States and Russia held their summit in Helsinki, the capital of Finland, on Monday 16/7/2018. Does this mean that the tension between the two countries is over? Is there a significance of holding this summit after the summit of the NATO countries on 12/7/2018 and the tension that surfaced between America and its European allies? Does it have an impact on the Russian-Chinese relationship? Is there any impact of this summit on the settlement in Syria?

Answer

In response to these questions about the US-Russian summit in Helsinki, we say: that after a relatively long period of tension in the US-Russian relations, which began in 2014 when Russia annexed the Crimea, and America and Europe responded by imposing economic sanctions on Russia. And the tension between the two countries intensified with the end of the Obama administration which accused Russia of interfering in the US elections for the benefit of candidate Trump, since then it suspended in practice the high-level meetings between the two sides... Although the two presidents met twice before this summit; they met on the sidelines of the G20 summit in Hamburg, Germany in July 2017, and they met on the sidelines of the Economic Cooperation forum (APEC) in Vietnam in November 2017.

However, those meetings did not rise to a summit level; they were brief meetings and did not discuss in depth the hot files between them. During the one-and-a-half-year period of Trump's administration, Russia actively sought a summit between the two presidents, but the US was postponing it, and was taking the postponement as a means of pressure on Russia. Russia has been waiting for Trump's initiative to improve relations between them, but it was aware of the difficulties of doing so because of a major wave of opposition to President Trump's direction. The impact of this emerged during the open investigations against Russia and the resignations of Trump's group members over alleged ties with Russia.

Thus, a full-scale meeting at the summit level has become a great Russian dream that Russia has failed to achieve. It only became possible after America agreed to it: "US National Security Council spokesman Garrett Marquis announced last Thursday 21/6/2018 that US President national security adviser, Bolton, will visit Moscow at the end of this month and will discuss the organization for a Russia-American summit." Russian Sputnik Agency 24/6/2018. Therefore, the most important thing to consider at this summit, held on 16/7/2018 is

why did America decided (not Russia) to hold the summit between the two presidents, and what does it want to achieve from it? To illustrate this, we say:

1- All indicators indicate the continuation of US pressure on Russia. Two days before the summit, the US accused the Russian intelligence officers of being involved in the piracy of US elections: "The US Justice Department has accused 12 Russian intelligence officers of hacking the accounts of Democratic Party officials during the 2016 presidential election, according to Rod Rosenstein, the deputy justice minister, that the defendants used the messages of penetration known as "phishing" and malicious software... The White House said that the meeting between Trump and Putin on Monday will go ahead." Egyptian Al-Ghad newspaper 14/7/2018. As soon as the Trump-Putin Summit was completed in Helsinki, al-Jazeera reported on 16/7/2018, America's announcement of the arrest of a Russian woman in Washington on charges of spying to Russia. With these actions carried out by the US government agencies, the easing of pressure on Russia is not expected to be achieved as Russia wants, despite the summit between the two presidents. This means that there are other factors that pushed America to accept Russia's old new request for a summit between Presidents Trump and Putin. These factors are illustrated by the circumstances of the summit...

2- The US-Russian summit took place in a circumstance in which America is engaged in a trade war against two major rivals, the European Union and China, and it seems that America decided to hold the summit to play the Russian card against the two rivals together!

Regarding the European Union, America chose the timing of the summit meeting with Russia immediately after the summit of the NATO countries, which was held in Brussels amid great differences between the European Union and America. "The NATO summit was launched in Brussels today amid expectations that it will be fraught with tension, especially between Washington and its European allies on the background of differences on trade and defense spending and the Iranian nuclear agreement. The NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg acknowledged the existence of "differences and different views among the allies" (Russia Today, 11/7/2018), and US President Trump described the European Union as the "opponent" publicly for the first time in the history of relations between both sides of the Atlantic. The summit with Russia was one of the most important instruments of American pressure against the Europeans. And this is how:

A- US President Trump has threatened the Europeans with Russia's appeasement regarding the Ukraine, President of the European Council, Donald Tusk, said that: "the US President Donald Trump had told him that the motives of Russia's policy towards Ukraine were of interest to him, Trump admitted that his enthusiasm towards the Ukraine is a lot less, Tusk added in his interview with TVN24, the Polish channel: "In several conversations with me, President Trump did not hide that he felt less enthusiasm for Ukraine and more understanding of what Russia did in Ukraine," (Russia Today, 15/7/2018) What made things worse is that the US president announced at the G7 Summit in June: "That the Crimea belongs to Russia, because everyone there speaks Russian" (Russia Today 15/7/2018) This is very sensitive in Europe. The Europeans view Russia's actions in Ukraine as meddling with the whole European security, that cannot be tolerated, and Trump's statement is considered by the EU as very dangerous for Europe, it means that Russia can destroy the European border and map from the east!

B- US President Trump's threat to Europe to return Russia to the G7: "US President Donald Trump on Friday, 8/6/2018, called on his G7 counterparts to consider Russia's return to the group. Trump said before heading to Canada to take part in the G7 summit in La Malbaie in the province of Quebec." They threw Russia out... They should let Russia come back in, because we should have Russia at the negotiating table". Russia was expelled from the G8 after its annexation of the Crimea and the group included seven countries only." (Al Arabiya.net, 8/6/2018)

C- Al-Jazeera has reported on 15/7/2018, i.e. after the end of the NATO summit (European leaders are concerned about the rapprochement between Russia and America). What indicates the great European concern about the American rapprochement with Russia is what the German Foreign Minister said: "Heiko Maas, the German Minister for Foreign Affairs warned the President of the United States Donald Trump of any unilateral deals at the expense of his European allies during his meeting with the Russian President Vladimir Putin. Mass said to the newspaper "Bild am Sonntag": "Unilateral deals at the expense of the allies will harm the United States, too. The one who hits his partners risks to lose eventually" (Russia Today, 15/7/2018). The US-Russian rapprochement could damage the EU, as European sanctions imposed on Russia, which are renewed every six months because of Crimea and Ukraine, will be made ineffective and Russia will not care about the European countries then.

D- US President Trump, who lacks political wisdom, keeps attacking the European Union publicly, especially Germany, on the issue of the purchase of Russian gas, as we mentioned in the answer to the question dated 17/07/2018... Sometimes he describes it as a "rival" i.e.

an "enemy" and other times he incites against it like in his advice to the British Prime Minister during their summit meeting in London: "In an interview with the BBC, May said in response to a question on Trump's advice she said: "He told me that I should sue the EU. Not go into negotiation" (BBC 15/7/2018).

Britain, despite its declared intentions to leave the European Union, but it shares the same view of the European countries on Russia, and it is not unlikely that the provocation of Russia by Britain is to disrupt the summit meeting between Russia and America, "Mil Radar website, dealing with Air traffic observation, reported that a British Air Force reconnaissance aircraft carried out surveillance flights near the coast of the Russian Crimea." (Russia Today, 15/7/2018)

Thus, with the pressure of America on Europe and its threat to bring back Russia to the G7 and hint at the American recognition of Crimea as part of Russia, and the American indifference to Ukraine's support in front of Russia's followers' attack on its east (Donetsk and Luhansk province) and improving US relations with Russia through the summit, Although indirect but they are big threats to Europe for the need to comply with US demands and increase the defense expenditure in NATO... That is, America pressed the EU countries through its rapprochement with Russia, and this is one of the main American goals for holding the summit between Trump and Putin.

3- Regarding the Chinese side, it is as follow:

A- The US-Russian summit also took place on the backdrop of a US-led trade war against Beijing. As soon as America exhausted the Chinese services by softening North Korea's position and putting it on the path of peaceful solutions and removing the specter of war from the Korean Peninsula. This was represented by the American-North Korean Summit in Singapore on 12/6/2018. The US President thanked China for its efforts in that. As soon as these events took place, the United States implemented the policies announced by Trump against China even before becoming president... The US imposed customs duties on Chinese imports worth 50 billion dollars a year, China responded by the imposition of customs duties in the same value on US imports. American then announced a new plan to impose customs duties on China's other imports worth 200 billion dollars, which China cannot in the same way, because the total imports from America is 130 billion dollars, while its exports to America are 500 billion dollars, which leads China to think of other ways to respond to the trade war with USA

B- One of these ways chosen by China was the rapprochement with Russia. The Shanghai Organization held its last meeting in China on 10/6/2018 in conjunction with the meeting of the seven industrialized countries-G7

(which Russia was expelled from in 2014) held in Canada on 9/6/2018. These two meetings have shown a division in the world. The West meets in Canada and the East meets in China, and this did not meet the liking of America after it established its global hegemony after the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991. America saw without a doubt that the two active countries in the Shanghai Organization, China, which the United States waged a trade war against, and Russia, which America imposed harsh and growing sanctions against. On the other hand, America saw that Russia and China could become more interdependent under the US policy against them, and considering them as rivals in international trade and politics, in light of this US policy towards China and Russia, America has seen that its policy is pushing the two countries closer in cooperation, including the military side. Russia and China feel that they are facing one enemy, i.e. the United States, and that their cooperation strengthens their power. The message of the Chinese defense minister was very expressive of this feeling. "Russian Defense Minister Sergei Schweigo received his Chinese counterpart Wei Fenghe, who arrived in Moscow at the head a military delegation to participate in the Moscow International Security Conference. Wei Fenghe said during the meeting with Schweigo that he is visiting "to support the Russian side in the organization of the Moscow International Security Conference. The Chinese delegation arrived to show the Americans the strong ties between the Chinese and Russian armed forces, especially in the current situation." The Chinese Minister confirmed: "We came to your support. The Chinese side is ready to express, together with the Russian side, our common concern and common position on important international issues." (Russia Today 3/4/2018)"

C- Therefore America saw that opening the door of hope for Russia's US rapprochement with them will lead to a distance between Russia and China, and finally dismantle their fragile alliance before the completion of its pillars, especially in the military. This is because America is aware of what Russia has in terms of military potential, and putting these energies or a part of it alongside China will strengthen it and allow it to reject the US policy, i.e. not to comply with the demands of Washington. Washington saw this as an easy thing to do.

Russia is moving to China as a new strategy because of its poor relations with the West. If America shows a rapprochement with Russia, the pressure on Russia will be ease and it not turn towards China.

Because of all of this, Washington saw that it should open for Russia a door of hope to restore its relations with America to its previous position through the summit between the two presidents, that is, to stop the Russian move to China. Although it is too early to judge the achievement of these American goals from the summit with Russia, and it depends on the later steps of

rapprochement between Washington and Moscow, but America can easily dismantle the fragile and mysterious "alliance", until now, between Russia and China. America is taking several steps on this side, sometimes on the Russian side as with the summit, and sometimes on the Chinese side. Since China's trade interests with America have the highest priority in Beijing than any relation China has with Russia.

4- To increase the impact of Trump's hot messages to the EU and China, Trump made the summit an open meeting to move it whenever it is necessary. I.e. it is a start to the next steps! Therefore he said after his closed meeting with Putin in Helsinki that the summit was "a new beginning" according to Russia Today, the Russian channel on 16/7/2018. At the press conference broadcasted live by Russia Today, he announced the agreement between the two countries to start negotiations on extending the nuclear disarmament agreement between them in 2010, which ends in 2021, and the American President Trump announced that relations with Russia was in a worst situation between them four hours ago, but now it has changed... And this is all general talk that corresponds exactly with what was announced by John Bolton. John Bolton, National Security Advisor to the White House said to the program "This Week" on ABC network "We have asked, and the Russians have agreed, that it will be basically unstructured. We are not looking for concrete deliverables," US Ambassador to Russia John Huntsman told NBC: "It's not a summit... it's a meeting... So this is an attempt to see if we can defuse and take some of the drama, and quite frankly some of the danger, out of the relationship right now. (Reuters, 16/7/2018)

5- This confirms that America has not yet planned to improve its relations with Russia and is still pursuing a policy of pressure on it. But for reasons related to the international situation and the US trade war with the European Union and China, it wanted to scare Europe with its rapprochement with Russia. And it decided to open a room of hope for Russia of ending its international isolation and of improving its relations with America, all in order to keep it away from the rapprochement with China on the one hand, and on the other hand, Russia may respond to US demands in other international issues, as it did in supporting the US policy in Syria, by keeping the American agent regime in Syria in power! Therefore, the summit was not to resolve specific international issues but rather it sent a hot message directed at China and towards the European Union. Otherwise, the talks were general and discussed everything without specificities, as confirmed by the two sides' statements. "Trump said that his talks with Putin will deal with " everything, starting with trade, going into military issues, missiles, and "ending" with China, we will talk a bit about China and our common friend, President Xi" while "Russian President Vladimir Putin told US President Donald Trump at the start of their summit in Helsinki that it was time to talk

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about relations between Moscow and Washington. He added that they too must discuss complex international multilateral issues.” (Reuters 16/7/2018). Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov confirmed that the Helsinki summit will address “all the complex issues where our positions are different so that we can work to bring our views closer to solving these problems,” and he ruled out reaching agreements. (Al Jazeera.net, 16/7/2018)

This generality shows that the intention of the Summit not to resolve specific international issues, and this is evident from the summit outcomes that some media outlets have reported. For example, the two sides agree on the security of the Jewish entity. Trump said “providing security for “Israel” is something Putin and I would like to see very, very much.” (Reuters, 16/7/2018) and that the two parties are demanding the Syrian side to return to the status of the forces agreed in 1974 after the end of the fighting in southern Syria... All this is not new, America and Russia have been saying this publically for a long time, this is not something for which heads of America and Russia meet for. This is similar to the nuclear disarmament between their countries. “President Donald Trump said that the problem of nuclear disarmament is the fundamental problem that must be resolved between the Russian and American sides. Trump said in an interview with Fox News that “90% of the nuclear weapons in the world belong to Russia and the United States, pointing out that his predecessor, President Barack Obama, considered that global warming and rising temperatures is the most important problem, which must be focused on.” (Russia Today, 17/7/2018)... and every visionary knows that America and Russia do not meet to disarm their nuclear weapons by choice, whatever they say, therefore, their meeting is not for this purpose...

6- As for the impact of the summit on the Syrian arena, it can be said that there is nothing new at this summit regarding the US and Russian policies in Syria. The two countries are fully in agreement with the elimination of the Syrian revolution, they are both waiting to achieve this as well as in full agreement on it, ever since the meeting between Obama and Putin on 29/9/2015, Russia has implemented the US policy in Syria and in coordination with it, while Russia is engaged in direct military actions such as the shelling of Daraa and its surroundings, America is supporting it, as in the letter sent to the Syrian opposition in the south, that “America will not provide them with any support during the attack on Daraa.” There is nothing new about the Russian efforts to eliminate the Syrian revolution militarily and the American facilitation for that.

As for the political settlement in Syria, America is postponing it until the regime in Damascus and Russia completes the process of eliminating the armed opposition. Then, America will lead the comprehensive political process in Syria according to its interests, with or

without a planned Russian role. And that political process was not discussed in the summit which indicates that America postpones it or it does not want a Russian role, or both... It is not unlikely that Russia recognizes that the objectives of US policy in Syria does not allow Russia to participate in it, but Russia hopes that the United States does not restrict it in Ukraine, especially the Crimea... Trump pleased Russia with his remarks about the Crimea, as mentioned above, when he announced in the G7 summit. Last June, the media reported that Trump announced during the G7 summit that the Crimea belongs to Russia everyone there speaks Russian (Russia Today, 15/7/2018). This is very dangerous for Europe, which believes that Russia is destroying the borders and the European map from the east. Perhaps Russia will fall to its destruction by Trump’s statements, and indeed it fell, and is disgraced in front of the Muslims because of the crimes it perpetrated against them for the interest of America! And this will remain in the memory of the Muslims against America and Russia and their supporters and followers, because the times will change, and crimes will not save those who commit them.

سَيُصِيبُ الَّذِينَ أَجْرَمُوا صَغَارٌ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ وَعَذَابٌ شَدِيدٌ بِمَا كَانُوا يَمْكُرُونَ

“There will afflict those who committed crimes debasement before Allah and severe punishment for what they used to conspire” [Al-An’am: 124]

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