

Press Release

**This Bloody Coup Attempt, Specifically Initiated at the Expense of
Massacring their Own People, is TERRORISM!**

Yesterday evening a "Military Coup" attempt has been initiated by those who have no notion of this ancient people's values nor its Islamic identity, has caused, just like a bloody "terrorist" attack, a massacre of innocent Muslims. This reckless bloody initiated coup attempt has brought the soldiers who are the sons of Muslims, with the Muslim people and the police face to face, this caused the deaths of hundreds of people and thousands wounded. We in **Hizb ut Tahrir Wilayah Turkey** strongly condemn and reject this bloody coup initiation and pray to Allah to have mercy for the murdered Muslims.

Because of the YAŞ (Military High Council) that was supposed to take place during these days and the decisions to be taken, those responsible for the military coup expected them to be against them and show their survival is at risk may have taken proactive unwise actions that does not rely on the people and their wants but to the colonialist states that support them. Therefore their downfall was at its height when they pointed their guns at their own people and bombing them. Their downfall is not strange because any movement will not be successful against the will of the people.

There have been many coup attempts since the establishment of the republic in Turkey, to secure their own personal interests or the political interests of the colonialists. But it does not matter if it is successful or not, all initiations done with these motives have brought nothing but tyranny to the Muslim people in Turkey.

This attempt cannot be an initiation that the Gulen movement, named as the parallel state structure, because this coup is greater than their movement's ability. So search for the masterminds. Search for the real culprits. Search for the colonialist powers and you will find the perpetrators among them.

O Rulers and Commanders! When will you understand that those colonialists that you have taken as friends are the enemies of this Ummah? You have witnessed how the people courageously stood before the tanks and they shouted out "Ya Allah Ya Allah, Allahu Akbar Allahu Akbar". Look at how they answered the calls of your Salawaat. For they did not take to the streets for the sake of democracy, but rather they went out with Islam against the secularists so stand in the face of the colonizers, stand against America, Britain and the other colonial powers with the courage of your people who defied the tanks! They stood in the face of those who are hostile to Islam and Muslims! Only then you will deserve a people like this people. Only then you will do justice to your positions.

O Muslims! Protect the Deen of Allah as you protected the government from 'the military coup.' Display this courage also against those who attack Islam and the Muslims and those who disregard and reject the commandments of Allah'u Ta'ala. Say no, to un-Islamic ideas and systems just like you said no to 'the military coup'! You are the ones, Allah willing, who preserve the stability of the Haq (justice) in these forthcoming lands and you are the ones, Inshallah, that will re-establish the Khilafah Rashidah (Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood, Islam ruling over life again.

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