

A Joint Arab Force: A Shield for the Ummah or a Service for America?

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The Egyptian regime has called for the activation of the Joint Defense Agreement and is seeking to form a joint Arab force to confront what it calls “threats.”

At a time when Muslim lands are burning with the fires of wars fueled by colonialists, and while the Jewish entity singles out our people in Palestine, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Badr Abdelatty, emerges to play the same old tune of deception. He calls for activating the Joint Defense Agreement and forming a joint Arab force. In reality, and given its timing, this call is nothing but a new political trap intended to tighten the security grip on the Ummah and stabilize crumbling regimes under the guise of “joint Arab action.”

Since its inception, the Joint Defense Agreement has been intentionally paralyzed. It was not designed to be a tool for the Ummah. Instead, it was placed within a political environment where Arab states are managed as functional units within the international system. Therefore, this agreement has never moved to liberate Palestine or to stop the continuous aggression against Muslim lands. Instead, it remained locked in drawers, only summoned when there is a need to regulate the region according to the American vision.

Today, this agreement is being reintroduced within a clear international context: America’s attempt to reduce its direct involvement in conflicts. Hence, the talk of a joint Arab force cannot be separated from this trend. Instead, it is part of re-engineering regional security so that Arab armies become tools within an international strategy that does not express the will of the Ummah or serve its interests.

The official rhetoric justifying this call speaks of “regional threats,” referring to tensions with Iran or the risks of chaos and instability. However, this discourse deliberately ignores the real and direct threat the Ummah has faced for over seven decades: the Jewish entity that occupies Palestine and practices the most horrific forms of aggression with full support from America and the West.

What threat is this force intended to face, if not this occupying Jewish entity? And what security is sought while this Jewish entity remains—and is even protected and its borders secured? Excluding the issue of Palestine from the core discussion of security and defense is not an oversight. It is an expression of the nature of regimes that no longer see this Jewish entity as an enemy, but as a partner within regional arrangements managed under direct American supervision.

The threats that Badr Abdelatty intends to confront are: protecting the Sykes-Picot nationalistic borders by preventing any sincere popular movement seeking to break the artificial nationalistic borders and unify the Ummah under the banner of the Khilafah (Caliphate); and stifling the Ummah’s aspirations for liberation (tahrir) by forming a cross-border military tool of suppression that intervenes to extinguish any revolution that might uproot colonial influence.

The Egyptian regime does not act as a truly independent state, but as an actor performing as a vassal state within a regional order led by America. Its foreign policies, diplomatic moves, and even its security priorities are all consistent with the requirements of this order — not with the requirements of the Islamic ‘Aqeedah (creed) or the interests of the Ummah.

It is no secret that this regime is the same one bound by security agreements and understandings with the Jewish entity, participating in border control and playing a role in the siege of the people of Gaza. This makes the talk of a defensive force — which does not target this Jewish entity but works within an environment that protects it — extremely dangerous.

The Egyptian regime acts as a loyal servant to American interests, carrying out its plans faithfully. The proposal to create a joint military force did not come from Egypt itself. It was ordered by America to reduce the burden on its own troops. It turns local regimes into vassal states that act as military proxies.

Contemporary ideas like “Arab national security” are based on nationalistic borders that divide Islamic Ummah. They force each country to focus only on its own narrow interests. In contrast, Islam views the Islamic Ummah as one single, indivisible body. Protecting Muslim lands and helping the oppressed is a Shariah obligation, not a political calculation.

True power in Islam comes from ‘Aqeedah (creed). It defines who is a friend and who is an enemy based on ‘Aqeedah. Any military force not built on this foundation will remain paralyzed—used only when others want it to move, and stopped when it actually needs to act.

Following this path will not bring security. Instead, it leads to more dependency and turns the Ummah’s armies into tools for conflicts that do not serve the people. These armies might even be used to suppress their own people or protect regimes that have lost their legitimacy. This path keeps the Ummah divided and prevents the rise of a unified political leadership that could restore the Ummah’s honor and independence.

O People of Egypt Al-Kinanaah (The Quiver of Arrows): You live at the heart of a great Ummah with an eternal risaalah (message). It is not right for you to be part of projects managed by outsiders, or for your sons to be used to carry out policies that go against your ‘Aqeedah. You must realize what is being planned for your country and work to restore Egypt’s natural role as the heart of the Muslim World, not as a tool for others.

O Soldiers of Al-Kinanaah: The power requested by the government is intended to turn you into mercenaries who protect American interests under the name of “regional security.” Your military ranks hold no true honor if they serve the Camp David Accords. Your weapons are only honorable when they face the enemies who occupy Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa, the destination of the Israa’ of the Prophet (saw). Your true role is to stand with Islamic Ummah and granting nussrah (military support) to those working to establish a Khilafah. Only then will you truly be the “best soldiers on earth”—liberators of Baytul Maqdis, not guards for the borders of occupiers.

The Islamic Ummah is at a turning point. It will not be saved by regimes that collaborate with outsiders. True salvation lies in the Khilafah on the Method of the Prophethood — which unifies armies, removes nationalistic borders, and cleanses the land from the remnants of colonialism.

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