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Raheel's Assistance in Musharraf's Flight from Justice: Accounting the Ruler is an Obligation in Islam, Yielding Great Reward

Widespread controversy was generated by former President General Musharraf's revelation that General Raheel personally intervened to allow Musharraf to flee from his court trials. It is indeed deplorable to applaud the current ruler for his every action, only to accuse and curse him after he steps down. So, some applauded Musharraf whilst he was ruling but now demand he stands trial. Similarly, was the case of General Kayani, who is reviled for his treachery now but was applauded during his rule. And now a similar story is emerging with General Raheel, there is loud condemnation now but there was silence in March 2016 when he assisted Musharraf in his escape. This is why the Muslims of Pakistan lament that Jiss kee Lathee Uss kee Bains "He who wields the stick, keeps the cattle" and ridicule the spectacle of *Darbaaree* (courting the ruler) politics.

Islam makes accounting the ruler whilst he rules, despite the consequences, an «سَيَدُ الشُّهَدَاءِ حَمْزَةُ بِنُ عَبْدِ Obligation within which there is great reward. RasulAllah (saaw) said, «سَيَدُ الشُّهَدَاءِ حَمْزَةُ بِنُ عَبْدِ The master of martyrs is Hamza Ibn Abu Mutallab" الْمُطَلِب وَرَجُلٌ قَامَ إِلَى إِمَامِ جَائِرٍ فَأَمَرَهُ وَنَهَاهُ فَقَتَلَهُ» and any man who stood up to an oppressive ruler accounting him and was killed because of that" (Hakim). So, those who seek the pleasure of Allah (swt) and truly care for the affairs of Muslims must account the current rulers, fearing none but Allah (swt). After the recent promotions, a new military command has now taken power and we must ensure that the treachery of previous army chiefs in consolidating the American influence in our country is not repeated. It is upon the Muslims to demand that the current military leadership to abandon the policy of suppressing Islam and Muslims, under the guise of the National Action Plan. And it is upon the Muslims to call upon the military command to end the rule of kufr and corruption, by granting the Nussrah for the re-establishing the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of the Prophethood. Thus Hizb ut Tahrir calls upon the political parties, ulema, media, intellectuals and influential people in general to stand with its brave Shabab in censuring the ruler for any deviation from Islam.

O Sincere Officers of Pakistan's Armed Forces! It is painful to see the noble Muslims of Pakistan, the Pure, the Good, abused by corrupt ruler after corrupt ruler. Recall that it is your predecessors, the military commanders of the Ansaar (ra), that ushered in an era of justice through the establishment of the Islamic State in Madinah al-Munawarra. Through their Nussrah (Material Support) to RasulAllah (saaw) for establishing Islam as a state, they ensured that rulers would be accounted by Islam. Hizb ut Tahrir, whose Shabab are found in the dungeons of the tyrants through their accounting of them, is fulfilling its responsibility in these dark days of injustice and Hizb ut Tahrir calls upon you now to fulfill yours. Sincere officers, usher in a new era of justice for Muslim by granting the Nussrah for the return of the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of the Prophethood and earn the Duas of the believers and the good pleasure of Allah (swt).

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