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## The Collective Western "March" to Central Asia: England's turn

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After the Crocus incident, there was an increase of the phenomenon of Islamophobia and pressure on the people of Central Asia inside Russia. Subsequently, an intensification of visits and contacts from officials of Western countries to the region was noted. It seems that Russia's bear policy, which sends another threatening message to the governments of Central Asian countries by intensifying pressure on migrants from Central Asia, has been viewed by the West as an opportunity. In recent months, the Russian regime and its supporters have spoken with insolence and arrogance with the Kazakh and Uzbek sides, and even proposed annexing these two countries to Russia. It is not an exaggeration to say that the Crocus incident showed that the Russian threat has reached its peak in recent years. So, while this tension has increased, Western countries' relations with Central Asian governments have increased significantly.

For example, at the end of March 2024, a delegation of US senators visited Central Asian countries, especially Uzbekistan, and held meetings with the Uzbek President and a number of officials. In mid-April, this year, a NATO delegation arrived in Uzbekistan, and in parallel with it, India, that is American backed, also sent a delegation headed by a high-ranking military officer. However, the arrival of British Foreign Secretary, David Cameron, who is considered a prominent politician in international politics, to the countries of Central Asia was the most prominent example of the new Western invasion of the region. Before his arrival, he stated regarding this visit three forms of great importance in cooperation with the countries of Central Asia, which are global organization, economic cooperation, and education. Confirming these words, Cameron added that funding for Chevening scholarships, which support the study of foreigners at British universities, would be doubled. He warned that Central Asia was at the heart of the biggest challenges, and said that £50 million would be allocated to support its "hard-earned sovereignty" over the next three years.

It should be noted that this visit to Uzbekistan is the first by a British Foreign Minister since 1997. During his visit to Uzbekistan, Cameron held meetings with Foreign Minister Bakhtiyor Saidov and Chairman of the Senate of the Supreme Council Tanzila Narbaeva. According to the British Embassy statement, Uzbekistan and Britain signed a memorandum of understanding on cooperation in the areas of regional and international communication and infrastructure, including the Comprehensive Partnership Declaration, which includes expanding cooperation in the areas of counter-terrorism, defence, climate change and human rights. Cameron also stressed while answering journalists' questions by saying, "What I am here to say is

that we are not asking you to choose between those partners and a country like Britain..." However, according to media reports, during his visit to Mongolia, he stated that the main goal of his visit to Central Asia was for the countries of the region to make such a choice. It really shows how hypocritical and ambitious England is.

Also, Cameron, who met with all the presidents of the region, was not able to meet Mirziyoyev personally. It was reported that Mirziyoyev went on a working vacation one day before his arrival, on April 22nd. This is an unusual situation, as not meeting a high-ranking official from a major country like England - given Mirziyoyev's ambitious personality - does not concern him much. It seems that what is closest to the truth is that this is not his choice, but rather a political maneuver to avoid angering the "Russian brother" again, since the NATO delegation's visit to Uzbekistan had provoked Russia before that.

Another interesting situation occurred, as it became clear that Uzbekistan was an important country in the region for England. After completing his visit to Mongolia, Cameron returned to Uzbekistan on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April and met with the Foreign Secretary. Although no explanation was given for his behaviour, it can be assumed that he aimed to show that Uzbekistan was of special importance to England and to demonstrate once again its readiness to always provide support in the face of the Russian threat.

Cameron's visit can be seen as part of the general policy of the entire West, led by the United States, aimed at reducing the influence of Russia and China in Central Asia. But England also has its own interests which it will not hesitate to stab America or France in the back in order to achieve. Although these kaffir colonial countries appear to be on the same side, in reality they are not friends, but enemies. They are evil countries that carry hatred in their hearts.

England, in particular, is one of our worst enemies, as it caused a deep wound in the hearts of Muslims that is still bleeding. It was England that played the main role in demolishing the Uthmani Khilafah (Ottoman Caliphate), the defender of Muslims and protector of their lives, property, and reputation. It was also the one that established the accursed Jewish entity in Palestine. Although it is not as powerful now as it was before World War II, however its cunning is the same. It is also accelerating its steps to obtain the largest possible share and spread its influence in Central Asia, especially in Uzbekistan. In the end, this greedy capitalist state is a parasitic organism that feeds on the bodies of weak nations and states like a leech, and lives by sucking their blood. It only gives the body poison, making it sick and tired. Of course, the best we can do is to protect ourselves from these parasites that suck our blood and leave us with the harmful effects of democracy, and to throw them underfoot and crush them. However, this work will not be accomplished unless we establish our great Khilafah (Caliphate), which England succeeded in destroying one day! Then the cunning of this evil, disgusting state will be of no use, but rather it will taste the bitterness of defeat.

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