

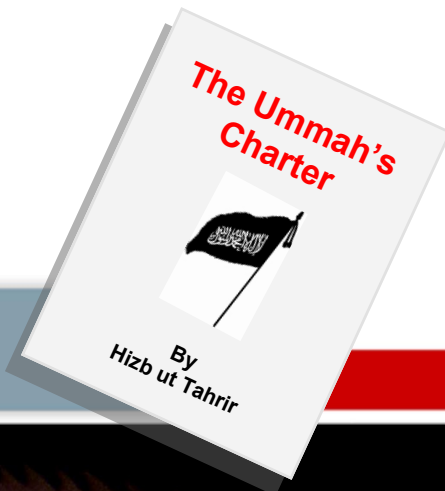


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**O Muslims in Syria:
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(Translated)



There have been repeated internal and external accusations that President Obama did not try hard enough to deal with the Syrian crisis and that his involvement has been negative. This has created an atmosphere of pressure against him that has led him to make statements in the past few days that reveal the extent of America's confusion regarding the Syrian issue - and reveal the malice in its settlement. In an interview with the American magazine "New Republic" on 27/1 and an interview with "60 Minutes" on the 28/1, he said, "He is working hard to assess the issue of U.S. intervention militarily in the conflict in Syria" and he asked, "What offers the best prospect of a stable post-Assad regime?" In a recorded speech he made on 29/1, Obama said, "I have agreed to provide an additional \$155 million of humanitarian aid," reminding "that this makes the United States the largest donor of humanitarian aid to the Syrian people." He also said, "The Assad regime will end and the Syrian people will get their opportunity to shape their future and they will always find in the United States a permanent partner."

Reading Obama's statements one can see many facts behind them: One finds that the Obama's administration is mired in a sea of blood in Syria; and it is seriously considering military intervention as a result of its failure to eliminate the revolution in Syria; and because it believes that the solution in Syria is heading towards the establishment of the Islamic Khilafah State - a matter which it cannot afford and considers a real valid threat. One should not forget that Obama and the program he presented of withdrawal from Afghanistan, is the opposite of the proposed intervention in Syria. It is one also finds that the US is seeking to create a stable regime for itself in Syria after Assad, indicating how it is keen to be a permanent partner for the Syrian people in shaping its future. Moreover, his mentioning the US assistance provided to people in Syria is as if it is an advanced reply to the Paris Conference in 28/1, and Kuwait Conference of International Donors, which was held today on the 30/1 - saying that the United States is at the forefront of donors.

O faithful, patient believing Muslims in Syria Al-Sham: Since the outbreak of revolution against the tyranny of the Al-Assad family, all we have seen from America is continuous conspiracy that would move mountains, either directly or indirectly through its agents and lackeys ...Cont. on p. 34

‘Gay Marriage’: Muslim MPs will Never Secure the Values of Islam and the Muslim Community



On 05 February 2013, the House of Commons voted - by 400 votes to 175 - to legalise Gay Marriage in Britain. "Muslim MPs" - such as Sadiq Khan, Rushanara Ali, Sajid Javid, Shabana Mahmood and Anas Sarwar - as well as other politicians who make a play for the support of the Muslim community - voted FOR 'Gay Marriage'.

Some of these politicians visit the Muslim community and give Islamic greetings, or parade their Muslim names and heritage. Yet when they are in the company of their fellow politicians and the media, they compete with each other to prove who is the most Westernised! Some people hold up these MPs as examples for young Muslims to follow. Yet nothing could be further from the truth.

The Problem Lies in the System:

Britain, like other countries in the West, is a country whose laws and morals are based upon secular liberal values. Their system is one where it is the will of men, not the will of God, which decides what is right and wrong. Their democratic system means the People - through their elected members of Parliament - chose what is good or bad, moral or immoral - based on a majority vote. There are no principles or criteria to decide what is right and wrong - it depends upon the mood within society at any particular time. A few decades ago homosexuality was illegal in Britain. Now, not only is this legal, but it is also legal for homosexuals to marry in full ceremony like any heterosexual couple!

This is because this is a political system where man makes the law. It is a system that Allah and His Messenger warned us about when He (swt) said: ﴿اتَّخَذُوا أَحْبَارَهُمْ وَرُهْبَانَهُمْ أَرْبَابًا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ﴾ **"They took their rabbis and priests to be their lords besides Allah."** [Al-Tawbah: 31]

Once, whilst Allah's Messenger (saw) was reciting this ayah, 'Adi bin Hatim remarked,

”يا رسول الله! إنهم لم يعبدوا أحبارهم ورهبانهم. قال أما إنهم لم يكونوا يعبدونهم، ولكنهم كانوا إذا أحلوا لهم شيئاً استحلوه وإذا حرّموا عليهم شيئاً حرّموه“

"O Allah's Messenger! They do not worship their rabbis and the priests." The Messenger of Allah (saw) replied - "They certainly do. They [the rabbis and priests] make the halal things as haram, and haram things as halal - and they followed them, and so by doing so they really worshipped them." [Narrated by Ahmad and Al-Tirmidhi]

In any democratic country, it is the parliament that has taken this role to make halal things as haram, and haram things as halal - hence it is these MP's who are legislators as opposed to Allah (swt) being the Supreme Legislator.

Misguided: Using a Tainted System to Uphold Islam:

Some in the Muslim community, quite remarkably, promote the idea that Muslims need to use this system - which has made all manner of haram things halal - to try to defend or uphold Islamic values or the interests of the Muslim community.

It is truly amazing they can be convinced of this when one sees the example of these so-called 'Muslim politicians'. Some of them claimed while campaigning for Muslim votes that they had entered the system to promote Islam and the interests of Muslims. But (if that was truly the case) it is now glaringly obvious how their values have changed while in the system, to the extent they now endorse homosexual relationships, which Allah made from amongst the gravest of sins, and for which He (swt) destroyed the Qawm of Lut (as). We, in Hizb ut Tahrir, have always maintained that a Muslim MP has to revoke his Islam if he/she is to stay in this system and hence it can never be a path for the Muslim community to engage in.

The Serious Challenge for Muslims in the UK:

Dear Brothers and Sisters - We must realise that this political system based on secularism and democracy can never defend Islam or bring any goodness for Islam or the Muslim community. This latest example has clearly exposed this.

The challenge for us is how to secure our Islamic values in our families, our children and our community whilst living in this society. This clearly cannot happen by voting in Muslim MPs who by entering the system are bound by the values of this system and loyalties to their secular Kufr parties.

Instead the Muslim community needs to undertake several clear steps:

1. To know clearly that in Islam it is Allah (swt) who is Sovereign and decides what is halal and haram.

This is our Aqeedah. No matter what laws are passed, this cannot change for a Muslim; and the Muslim community must adhere to the halal and haram as the criteria for right and wrong. Our Deen is not like Christianity, which has changed beyond recognition with the times. What Allah has decreed are halal and haram will remain so till the Day of Judgement.

﴿اليوم أكملت لكم دينكم وأتممت عليكم نعمتي ورضيت لكم الإسلام ديناً﴾

“Today I have completed your Deen for you, encompassed My blessings upon you and have accepted Islam to you as a Deen” [Al-Maidah: 3]

2. To secure these Islamic values in our mosques, madrasahs and Muslim schools.

We would be naive to believe the promises of politicians to protect mosques and churches from having to conduct 'gay weddings'. Catholic adoption agencies have had to close because they refused to endorse adoption to homosexual parents based on equalities laws. The most recent laws being passed in parliament will no doubt come to affect our institutions.

The Muslim community needs to be educated about such laws and the effect of the Kufr society around us so that all parents, community leaders, Imams and mosque committees can ensure that no such un-Islamic practices are allowed to be normalised in our institutions and communities. Burying one's head in the sand will do more than allow the normalisation of such un-Islamic practices, Allah (swt) forbid.

3. Not only do we ensure our communities are protected from such un-Islamic thoughts, values and practices but we must also carry the Dawah of Islam to the wider non-Muslim society around us. Muslims should have the confidence to explain Islam to non-Muslims and invite them to Islam. There are two reasons for this.

Firstly, this society itself is crying for a solution to its ever-growing problems. Family breakdown, divorce, domestic and sexual abuse, depression, 'pornification' of society are all the fruits of a way of life that is based upon 'freedom' to do whatever one wants and the desire for unlimited fun and material pleasure. The material progress the West has made shouldn't make one blind to the social disorder that is endemic in society. Islam has answers to this social meltdown in society and we as a community are obliged to carry this Dawah of Islam, following the example of the Messenger of Allah (saw).

Secondly, doing nothing means allowing our community to be changed by the values of the society around us. There is no security in isolating ourselves. The only protection is in interacting with this society on a basis of Islam. If we fail to do this, our community will be affected ever more with the values of Western society. What starts with gay marriage, zina, alcohol and drugs will end with abandoning our parents and leaving the Deen of Islam as the vast majority of Christians have done with Christianity. The Messenger of Allah (saw) said,

”لتنقضن عرى الإسلام عروة عروة، فكلما انتقضت عروة تشبث الناس بالتي تليها، وأولهن نقضاً الحكم وآخرهن الصلاة“

“The knots of Islam will be undone one by one, each time a knot is undone the next one will be grasped, the first to be undone will be the Ruling and the last will be Prayer.” [Hakim/Ahmed]

The knot of ruling by Islam has now been ...[Cont. on p. 34](#)

Oh People! Isn't it time for you to reject the Awami-BNP Alliances' politics of division and destruction, and look to a new politics?



What we have seen of violence and chaos in Bangladesh in recent times is nothing more than the fruits of the failed Awami-BNP alliances' politics of division, destruction and fitnah. The political alliances are positioning themselves ahead of the elections in order to turn matters in the direction which favours their coming to power. Meantime, the Hasina government, together with other anti-Islamic forces, is using the latest events to whip up a frenzy of attacks against Islam and Muslims in Bangladesh.

Hizb ut Tahrir condemns in the strongest terms the Awami-BNP destructive politics, vilification of Islam and the Prophet (saw), and the heavy-handed police tactics against the ordinary God-fearing Muslims of Bangladesh.

Hizb ut Tahrir has been highlighting to the people of Bangladesh for the past 10 years that there is no future in the Awami-BNP politics other than more corruption, more division and more destruction. They compete with each other in spouting cheap slogans of nationalism and patriotism to divert people from the real issues facing the country. Unfortunately what we have seen in recent days will only continue to escalate as the election draws near.

We have also been advising our brothers in Islamic groups that ally with the Awami-BNP politics will only blacken the name of Islam and help to maintain the corruption of the current system. It will do nothing to further Islam in Bangladesh. For more than 20 years, the Awami-BNP have repeatedly used Islam and the Islamic groups for their own ugly political gains.

Bangladesh today is at a critical juncture. Aware and thinking people must realise that the country is heading into an ugly polarised politics that will only help foreign powers like America and India to exploit this and implement their evil designs against the country, particularly establishing their domination over our military and strategic assets.

Hizb ut Tahrir calls for a new politics based on Islam that will bring unity to the country as opposed to the corrupt Awami-BNP politics that has led us to where we are today. Islam will establish the rule of law in society where no person, leader or non-leader, man or woman, Muslim or non-Muslim will be above the law. No man or woman will commit a crime and then find reprieve whether s/he is a leader, activist or general public. Every victim of crime will receive true justice based on Islam. Islam will end divisive party

politics as the leader of the Islamic state (the Khaleefah) will deal with all parties with justice; he will be the leader of all people, Muslims and non-Muslims. His responsibility will be to secure the rights of people in society regardless of their belief, gender, race or status. People and the media will not only have the right but will be obliged by Islam to account the government on its duties and responsibilities. Islam will end the endemic corruption within society which is costing the country in millions every day. The current party political system in collusion with monopolising businesses and foreign powers have been looting the country's wealth for decades such that the average family today is struggling to survive on \$1-2 per day. Islam will end this gross inequality in wealth and establish an economic system that ensures effective distribution of wealth.

These are the real issues facing the country that the people are crying out to solve. The corrupt politicians have failed to address these over the last 40 years of the country's history.

As we draw closer to the election, Hizb ut Tahrir calls upon all the thinking, aware and sincere people from the Islamic groups, mosques, madrasahs, universities, bureaucracy, and civil society to come forward to establish an alternative political platform in the country - a political platform free from corruption and criminals, free from violence and destruction and free from the influence of US-Britain-India. This is the true politics for every Muslim based on the Quran and Sunnah of the Prophet (saw). This political movement will, by the will of Allah (swt), be a shining light in the current darkness in which the country is plunged. May Allah (swt) rid the country from the politics of division and destruction.

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“True Guidance has become distinct from error, so whoever rejects Taghut and believes in Allah has grasped the firmest handhold - one that will never break. And Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing” [al-Baqarah: 256]□

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Press Release

Ailing Saudi Regime Desperately Arrests Women and Children for Throne

Sunday 10 February 2013, CNN and other news agencies reported that Saudi authorities arrested tens of women and five children after a protest occurred in Riyadh and Buraida. The women were demanding the release of relatives held as political prisoners for years without access to lawyers or trial, their charges were criticizing or opposing the Saudi regime. The arrest of women and children is a disgraceful act in which the regime attempts to silence any opposing voice against his authoritarian rule and for his tight grip on authority. According to Amnesty International, 28 women and children were arrested in the month of January last during a demonstration against the state in Buraida.

This authoritarian regime whose rule has become synonymous with oppression has once again exposed to the world that it has no red lines when it comes to preserving its throne, even if it means arresting women and children. How dare it arrest the innocent honourable daughters of this Ummah, whose dignity has been described by the Prophet (saw) as more precious than all the treasures of the entire world! How dare it allow the men to arrest Muslim women! This disgraceful house of Al-Saud that masquerades itself deceptively as a custodian and implementer of Shariah has in truth exposed repeatedly its utter contempt for Islam that includes its unrestrained subjugation of women, stripping them of their Islamic political, economic, and social rights. This latest action has once again demonstrated its total disregard of the high status that Islam affords women and obliges men in their treatment on this basis. What a farce that this state, appointed hand-picked women into the Shura Council this January hoping against hope to present a face of regime reform, while simultaneously detaining women who are fulfilling their political rights! Therefore, the hideous face of this regime cannot conceal its ugliness by such cosmetic change.

Such despicable acts against Muslim women develop the desire of Muslims in Saudi Arabia and world-wide to put an immediate end to this repressive regime and its ruling and look forward ...Cont. on p. 35

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Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Pakistan Issues Policy Paper on Destructive Taxation and Spending Policies Only the Khilafah Will Not Tax the Poor

Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Pakistan has issued the following Publicized Policy Position (PPP) which clearly demonstrates how Pakistan's revenue and expenditure policies can lead to economic strength and prosperity by adopting Hizb ut Tahrir's constitution for the Khilafah.

Economic strength is not possible either through Democracy or Dictatorship. Both forms of ruling are corrupt as they allow revenues and spending to favor the Kafir colonial powers and their agents who come to rule within Pakistan. Dictatorship and democracy deprives the state and the general public huge sources of revenue, through privatization of the public properties, such as oil, gas and electricity.

Under World Bank and IMF supervision, Pakistan has been strangled by huge taxation on earnings and consumption of goods that are constantly being increased as a proportion of the total revenue. In 2011-12, the government extracted Rs. 730,000 million in income taxes alone, which is more than the entire revenue collected in 2002-3. This has meant that the labour force, blue and white collar workers are facing ever greater hardships, with increased taxation eating away at their wages. Moreover, in the 2012-13 budgets, the government is now chasing a target of a staggering Rs. 914,000 million. Consider also sales tax that has swollen from 9% to 43% of the state's major taxes. It is this sales tax that has made buying medicine, food, inputs for agriculture and industry unbearable for people, choking their ability to contribute to the economy and secure basic needs. In 2011-12, the government extracted Rs. 852,030 million in general sales taxes and in the 2012-13 budget, the target is Rs. 1,076,500 million.

As long as this corrupt system remains the situation will worsen, no matter who comes to power. This corrupt system can only produce such failure as it is designed to neglect the affairs of the people and this is why all those who seek power in this system are also calling for increased taxation. Unlike Capitalism; Islam does not rely on taxation on **...Cont. on p. 35**

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Press Release

The Islamic Obligation of Hijab will Never be Secured under Turkey's Secular Democratic System

The Confederation of Public Servants Trade Unions (Memur-Sen), the largest union of state workers in Turkey has announced that it has collected over 10 million signatures in support of lifting the ban on hijab on public sector workers in the country which has blighted the life of Turkey's women for over 30 years. The Confederation has stated that it now intends to submit the petition to President Abdullah Gul and Prime Minister Erdogan. In recent months, the (Secular) Justice and Development-led government in Turkey that rode into power on the back of its Islamic credentials has been playing an erratic political game with the hijab, relaxing the ban in universities, Islamic schools, and law courts while continuing to prohibit the dress in state schools, hospitals, and all public buildings.

It is an utter disgrace that Muslim women in Turkey - a Muslim majority country - should have to plead with the government, sign petitions, and protest for the right to fulfil a basic Islamic obligation. Having played the Islamic card to rally popular support to gain power, Erdogan and his government have subsequently failed to remove the hijab ban in their 10 years of ruling, reflecting a leadership that is out of step with the growing Islamic sentiments of the women of Turkey. This is no modern government. It is stuck in the past, pursuing the oppressive secular principles of Mustafa Kamal the enemy of Islam, under which dressing modestly is defined as a crime and where pious girls and women in Islamic dress are marginalized from society, stripped of a good education, employment and other basic rights, and even imprisoned for their obedience to Allah (swt). The recent relaxation of the hijab ban in certain sectors of society by this 'Guardian of Secularism' is nothing but a cynical ploy that plays on the sincere Islamic sentiments of the devout Muslim women of Turkey to sell them the idea that their Islamic dress can be secured by the democratic system and without the Rule of Allah (swt).

Dear pious sisters of Turkey! The secular democratic system can

never secure your Islamic obligation of hijab or any other Command of Allah, reflected by the continuing hijab ban under Turkey's democratic regime as well as the hijab bans in force in other secular democratic states across the world, including in Western Europe. This is an erratic and unpredictable form of governance where rights are given one day and removed the next, leaving Muslim women at the mercy of whichever party or ruler is in power.

Dear sisters, wearing the hijab is not a matter of securing personal freedoms or a democratic right, it is an Islamic obligation. And the very fact that Muslim women in Turkey have to fight the state to fulfil this basic Islamic obligation is proof enough that the democratic system stands in absolute contradiction with your deeply held Islamic beliefs. You are the ones who love Allah (swt), so how can you accept any form of governance where politicians have the right to dismiss what your Lord has ordered, or to force you choose between obedience to your Creator and fulfilling your Islamic rights to education or work? You are the ones who submit to the Lord of the Worlds, and you are the grand daughters of the great Uthmani Khilafah that raised the flag of Islam across the world. So do not accept for a few crumbs to be thrown at you by the state to appease your hunger for true Islamic change, when Allah (swt) has commanded that all His Laws be implemented upon our Muslim lands.

We call you to reject this flawed democratic system and support the establishment of the Khilafah that will apply comprehensively all the laws of Islam upon the state. The Islamic system of the past did not only enable women to fulfil the obligation of hijab but actively punished those who infringed it as demonstrated by Prophet (saw)'s expulsion of Banu Qaynuqa from Madinah due to one of its members violating the Islamic dress of a Muslim woman. It is therefore only under the Khilafah system that believing women will be able to wear their Islamic dress with honour and under the full protection of the law.

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“So rule between them by that which Allah has revealed, and follow not their desires, but beware of them in case they seduce you from just some part of that which Allah has revealed to you.” [TMQ Al-Ma'idah: 49]□

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Press Release

Rulers of Muslim Countries Involved in Global Crime with CIA

The report titled "Globalizing Torture: CIA Extraordinary Rendition and Secret Detention" released by the Open Society Foundation (OSF) on Tuesday, 5 of February 2013, has clearly shown the involvement of dozens of Muslim countries such as Afghanistan, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Egypt, Libya, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Syria, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Yemen, and Indonesia in global crime with the CIA. This study focused on the rendition (the transfer-without legal process-of a detainee to the custody of a foreign government for purposes of detention and interrogation) and secret detentions were carried out by the CIA after the 9/11 attacks against the United States.

Indonesia was involved in arresting Muhammad Saad Iqbal Madni, Nasir Salim Ali Qaru and Omar al Faruq. Madni was arrested in Jakarta before he was transferred to Egypt. Nasir was arrested in Indonesia in 2003 and transferred to Jordan before he was found in Yemen. Faruq was arrested in Bogor in 2002 then transferred to Bagram, Afghanistan.

This report reveals some important points; first, hypocrisy of Western countries like US, UK and Germany and others. On one side, they always claim supporting supremacy of Human Rights but on the other side they are directly involved in global torture that is clearly against human rights. Second, the reticence of United Nations in this case shows that international organization is only an imperialist tool for those Western countries. The name "War on Terrorists" the UN often legitimizes the West's brutal acts towards Muslim countries like Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Yemen and Mali. On the contrary, UN is like a toothless tiger when Western agencies like the CIA violates human rights.

Third, this report also proves that the rulers in Muslim countries are the puppets of the West's regimes. They are directly involved in CIA global torture like kidnapping, transferring and torturing anyone suspected as terrorist by the West. The rulers in Muslim countries become servants for Western interests in the global war on terrorism.

Fourth, this report also shows the existence of secret collaboration between CIA and countries those are positioned as anti-US all this time. Although in global rhetoric, Iran, Syria and Libya are positioned as anti-US countries but in the reality these countries are hand in hand with the CIA.

Regarding this, Hizb ut Tahrir/Indonesia declares:

1. That the global War on Terrorism is only a mask of Western regimes to wage war on Islam to perpetuate their imperialism and domination on Muslim lands. In fact, the western definition of terrorist is everyone fighting against Western imperialism both by thought or weapons including whoever wants establishing Islamic system of Shariah and Khilafah Islamiyah that will remove the futile and the rotten capitalistic system.

2. OSF reportage once more provides strong proof that the Muslim Ummah needs Khilafah Islamiyah, a global state that will unite the Ummah throughout the world. Khilafah will be the superpower state that protects the Ummah from the political greed of the western imperialism. Khilafah will also remove all puppet-rulers in Muslim countries that all this time are serving loyally all the West's interests just to gain or defend their position through US supporting and his allies.

3. Call on all Muslims wherever they are to work seriously for establishment Shariah and Khilafah. Be sure, only Khilafah can realize Islam Rahmatan lil 'Alamin as Allah (swt) promises and protects Muslim dignity and the sovereignty of Muslim lands including Indonesia. In fact, Khilafah will free the countries from the puppet-rulers. Inshallah.

Hasbunallah wa ni'mal wakiil, ni'mal mawla wa ni'man nashiir.□

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Press Release

Women of Hizb ut Tahrir/ Malaysia Host National Women's Conference

“Upholding the Establishment of Shariah and Khilafah”

On the 3rd of March 2013, the women of Hizb ut Tahrir/ Malaysia will host their first national women's conference. It will be held in Kuala Lumpur, under the title, "Upholding the Establishment of Shariah and Khilafah" and will include local and foreign speakers. The event will gather hundreds of women from across Malaysia, including community leaders to discuss the status and rights of women under the distinct ruling system of Islam, the Khilafah, as well as address the factors that led to the removal of this State from the Muslim world, and the adverse impact of its destruction upon the lives of women in the region. The conference will also deliver a call to the women of Malaysia to support the re-establishment of the Khilafah that will comprehensively implement the Shariah upon Malaysia and all our Muslim lands, return Islam as a way of life to this world, and guarantee honoured, protected lives to all women under its rule as obliged by the Qur'an and the teachings of the Prophet (saw).

For over 1300 years, women lived under the shade and guardianship of the Khilafah, enjoying dignified lives of security, justice, protection, financial provision, and respect, under a system that guaranteed for them their full rights as citizens of the state centuries before the Western world even recognised the concept of 'women's rights'. Following the dismantling of this system in 1924, women in the Muslim world have endured decades of desperate poverty, unbearable suffering, and violation of their dignity due to the imposition of foreign inspired systems, laws and regimes in the region, primarily based upon the defective principles of capitalism, secularism, and democracy. This includes millions of women in Malaysia and South East Asia who today experience a daily struggle for basic needs due to the implementation of flawed capitalist policies that have impoverished societies and failed to distribute wealth effectively between the people. Millions of other women in the region are subject to physical, economic, and sexual exploitation, including trafficking within profit-driven materialistic societies nurtured by the capitalist system where women have been transformed into commodities to secure financial gain. In addition, ...Cont. on p. 36

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Press Release

The Jewish Karimov Renews his War against Allah and against Hizb ut Tahrir Prosecutes Mohammad Amin Wedilshod along with other Hizb ut Tahrir Members!

(Translated)

Karimov, the enemy of Allah, the butcher and killer, along with his thugs, militias, intelligence services, jailors and others like judges and prosecutors, have renewed their war against Allah and the members of Hizb ut Tahrir, the courtrooms of Uzbekistan are being held day after day to declare their war against Allah (swt) through the prosecution of His allies. They sentenced Mohammad Amin Wedilshod and other members of Hizb ut Tahrir in Andijan, who were all among those working for the establishment of Allah's ruling on His land over His servants. This tribunal was held after a long period of torture, abuse and brutality where members of Hizb ut Tahrir in investigation cells faced pressure to renounce their beliefs and abandon Hizb ut Tahrir, and thus to deter them from working for the resumption of the Islamic way of life, but these practices were ineffective before the men's steadfastness, their adherence to their Deen and determination to proceed with what they promised their Lord. Allah (swt) said,

﴿وَمَا نَقَمُوا مِنْهُمْ إِلَّا أَن يُؤْمِنُوا بِاللَّهِ الْعَزِيزِ الْحَمِيدِ﴾

“And they ill-treated them for no other reason than that they believed in Allah, Exalted in Power, Worthy of all Praise!” [al-Buruj: 8]

There stand the men of Hizb ut Tahrir, in the terrifying atmosphere of the courtroom, like lions of truth, fearing no one but Allah (swt), declaring boldly in front of the judge and prosecution that the thought and method of Hizb ut Tahrir are both correct, and that they will never abandon Hizb ut Tahrir or their work with it to re-establish the Khilafah Rashidah; as any ruling system other than that of Islam (Khilafah) is a rule of tyranny and Kufr. They even defied the judge and prosecution accusing them of serving the Kufr system, warning them that this situation will not last; proclaiming, "that your situation is temporary as we are on the verge of establishing the Khil-

afah State, which will account you and your master Karimov on all the crimes that you have committed against Islam and the Muslims, and it will punish you for crimes you committed, after which you will cry out,

﴿وَلَاتَ حِينَ مَنَاصٍ﴾

“then they cried while the time of escaping had passed away.”[Sad: 3]

After these courageous stances, powerful, faithful, and fearless statements; the challenging remarks echoed in the courtroom, the judge and prosecution became outraged and arrogant instead of repenting to Allah for their crimes

﴿وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُ اتَّقِ اللَّهَ أَخَذَتْهُ الْعِزَّةُ بِالْإِثْمِ﴾

“And when it is said to him, guard against (the punishment of) Allah; pride carries him off to sin,” [al-Baqara: 206] This triggered them to issue harsh sentences on Hizb ut Tahrir members; some have been sentenced to 15 years in prison, while others sentenced to periods of 5 to 7 years.

﴿فَحَسْبُهُ جَهَنَّمُ وَلَبِئْسَ الْمِهَادُ﴾

“Therefore hell is sufficient for him; and certainly it is an evil resting place.” [al-Baqara: 206]

Even worse, arrests, prison, torture, and agony are not limited to men, but have reached honorable and virtuous women. Even though the dictator Karimov and his devoted followers in his inauguration speech declared, ‘We do not fight against women and children.’ However, reality proves otherwise, showing the opposite of his declaration. Where, Muslim women were not spared from the Kafir Karimov's crimes and his henchmen, they received likewise as their husbands, fathers, and brothers from torture, terror, and imprisonment. Three Hizb ut Tahrir female members were arrested from the Magellan province, and a fourth from the Andijan province... Allah will fight these oppressors for their wrong doings. We ask Allah that this be the last of Karimov's and his henchmen's crimes before he will be forced to stand before the court of the Khilafah State to be harshly tried for his actions, while the punishment of the Hereafter will be much more severe.

﴿إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لَنْ تُغْنِيَ عَنْهُمْ أَمْوَالُهُمْ وَلَا أَوْلَادُهُمْ مِنَ اللَّهِ شَيْئًا وَأُولَئِكَ هُمْ وَقُودُ النَّارِ﴾

“As for those who disbelieve, surely neither their wealth nor their children shall avail them in the least against Allah, and these it is who are the fuel of the fire.” [Aali-Imran: 10]

If only this issue ended with Karimov and his thugs being limited to Hizb ut Tahrir members completing their prison sentence which was unlawfully and tyrannically handed down on them; yet they are subjected to tor-

ment and misery throughout their entire prison sentence in unimaginable ways. The criminal minds of Karimov's tormentors constantly devise new techniques and methods of torture against their Muslim prisoners from Hizb ut Tahrir and other Muslims, even in the most basic spiritual rituals like prayer and fasting; punishing anyone they see in prayer or know is fasting in every ruthless manner possible. For example, in Prison 71/64 Zhaslik during the previous Ramadan, the tormentors refrained the Muslim fasters from receiving the portions of food that were served to them, forcing them to drink only a few sips of water as Suhoor for over a week, in which Muslims succumbed to exhaustion and illness. When the brothers protested against this repression, they were beaten 40-50 strikes on their feet with batons. As a result, some needed to be taken to the prison's medical unit. Afterwards they started offering each prisoner only one meal a day. Another example is when the family of one of the prisoners from Magellan visited him, had noticed that he was having difficulty breathing, and when asked for the reason, he answered: "When I was asleep my hands were on my chest and the prison guards assumed I was praying, so they ruthlessly beat my chest, saying 'we are going to beat you on the place that you place your hands when you pray'." Worse still is their accusing whoever they see opening their eyes, even while laying down, of awakening to pray, so they attack them with severe beatings as punishment. And it is worst in Center 48/64 in the Zarafshan area in Nuvuenskaya Province, where members were martyred for performing prayers; among them the martyr, Shaqeeq Sabir, Inshallah.

When these savage filthy techniques did not weaken the determination of Hizb ut Tahrir members, and did not compel them to renounce their ideas, Karimov resorted to an even lower and cheaper level, launched what is called the "black prisons", meaning that these prisons are put under the responsibility of what are called "civilian prisoners", especially thieves, who were greedily lured to attain certain privileges in prison, therefore consent to becoming tools of the tyrant and his gang to oppress Dawah carriers. These thieves beat them and physically and psychologically torture them with the most severe methods and ugliest techniques, so that if one of them is martyred, then the executioners are cleared of responsibility and then are attributed to the thieves and criminals. An example of the crimes that these thieves have perpetrated against Dawah carriers is what happened in Prison IS 64/51 in Kashkadarya Province when our Brother Shuhayder was performing prayer. Two of the thieves tried to stop him, and he was determined to finish his prayer, so they attacked him with severe beatings. Meanwhile, the head of the prison administration arrived and asked about the beating, and the thieves answered, "he is one of the ones who have horns," so the

head of the prison answered, "so break his horns," and with this consent from the head of the prison administration, the thieves started beating Shuhayder even more brutally and violently until he lost consciousness and met his Lord as a martyr the following day, Allah willing and we do not commend anyone over Allah.

Finally, we say that whatever Karimov, his gang and shabiha conjure up of techniques of torture, brutality and harassment, it will not impinge on the vigor of the members of Hizb ut Tahrir. Nor will it affect their determination, and despair will never overwhelm their hearts or deter them from further work, or from working day and night to attain their Lord's promise and the good tidings of their Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, of the establishment of the second Khilafah ar-Rashida on the method of the Prophethood, that will avenge Karimov and his gang for every crime committed against Islam and Muslims, and that time is soon.

We, the members of Hizb ut Tahrir in Central Asia and the rest of the world, pledge to Allah (swt) that we will continue working with Hizb ut Tahrir until the Khilafah ar-Rashida on the method of the Prophethood is declared, and with it Allah (swt) will tremble the thrones of the oppressors, the slaves of America, Russia and Europe. The Khilafah that will honor Allah's sincere servants obligating tyrants to be broken and Allah elevates His servants' interests. He is the guardian of that and the Able.

﴿وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ * بَنَصَرَ اللَّهُ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ ۝ وَعَدَ اللَّهُ لَا يُخْلِفُ اللَّهُ وَعْدَهُ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾

“And on that day the believers have cause to rejoice*[For] He gives victory to whomever He will, since He alone is almighty, dispenser of grace.*[That is] God's promise. Never does God fail to fulfill His promise - but most people know [it] not.” [ar-Rum 4-6]□

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Press Release

The Hypocrite U.S. Congress Maintains Drone Attacks What about the Thousands of Muslims who Participate with America in the Killings?

(Translated)

The Republicans and Democrats, members of the House of Judiciary Committee, in Washington, have expressed concern over the drone attacks launched by the United States on the people who carry U.S. citizenship. This was unveiled the beginning of last month; which the "White Paper" issued by the U.S. Department of Justice to Congress surfaced. It mentioned the confidential memo giving authority to the U.S. President to kill American people who are considered a threat to U.S. security.

What about the direct targeting of unarmed civilians conducted by the U.S. military in Afghanistan and Iraq? What about the destruction of their homes and demolition of their country used by weapons and ammunition that perishes trees and stones? How about the Islamic figures and scholars that have been killed by American organized gangs specialized to kill people in the Muslim countries and Syria? What about the thousands of Muslims killed by the hidden and public support of America in Syria, Palestine, Kashmir, Chechnya, and others? Is their bloodshed worth nothing?!

The bloodshed from the cowboy American civilization, that falsely raises the slogans of freedom, with the image of the Statue of Liberty on the shores of New York cannot claim it was not them who carried out this bloodshed. Didn't the bloody cowboy civilization pave the way for a war with the Native American Indians, did history not witness when European colonists arrived? This same civilization was not able to use its constitutional rights towards its American citizens when they abducted the Japanese- Americans from their homes and threw them in detainment camps during the Second World War. The American government's criminal terrorist record is filled with inhumane scandals; have the people forgotten about prisoners tortured in Abu Ghraib, Guantanamo, and Bagram? What about the secret prisons that were established and managed by the American CIA in more than 54 countries?

Oh Muslims, especially the secularists desperate for the Western civilization; the American and European. Is it not time after you have witnessed the hypocritical and disgraced signs to reject the West and all what emerges from its evil sins, from the first capitalistic materialistic impurity, that [...Cont. on p. 37](#)

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Press Release

What Should be Done? Change Leaders or the System?

Nearly 14.3 million Kenyans are expected to vote in the general elections on Monday, 4 March 2013. This election is the fifth to be held under the system of multi-party politics. There are critical issues that we in Hizb ut Tahrir / East Africa feel the need to elaborate:

First: This election will not bring any change to the ordinary citizens as it is not the first to be held in Kenya. Four elections have been held since the western colonialists introduced democratic multi-party politics in the early 1990's. To date even after changing the leadership's face in three phases, life for the downtrodden is in an appalling state. Starting from poverty, poor health services, instability, poor education, corruption and the unending land problem, these are among the many problems remain unsolved for the past fifty years. Instead, politicians use these problems as stories to be repeated during every election as a bait to lure voters!

Second: Democratic elections are intended to hijack the public so that they remain captives of politicians which oppress them after being elected. It is not true that elections in a democratic system are a decision by the electorate to remove corrupt leadership by electing a good one. The truth is that elections are to legitimize oppression by leaders against the public. An avoided basic question still to be answered is: What needs to be changed: our leaders or the system? Certainly, the problems facing Kenya and the whole world are not bad leaders but the evil Capitalist ideology and its evil political system that gives rise to corrupt leaders who use politics as a project to enrich themselves! This is because voting in an evil system is the same as trying to mop dirty water while the tap releasing dirty water has not been closed!

Third: Democratic politics are based on the Kufr Aqeedah of secularism i.e. separating religion from life by giving human beings the sovereignty to legitimize and prohibit. This is against Islamic Aqeedah which is based on belief that Allah (swt) is the only sovereign. Allah says there is no hukm except from Allah alone. Therefore democratic elections are not only related to electing leaders but giving human beings authority to legislate. Already numerous corrupt legislations that legalize adultery, ...Cont. on p. 36

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ
الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيُمَكِّنَنَّ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِي ارْتَضَىٰ لَهُمْ وَلَيُبَدِّلَنَّهُم مِّن بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنًا
يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ بِي شَيْئًا وَمِن بَعْدِ ذَلِكَ فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْفَائِزُونَ



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Khilafah Seminars and Communiqué The Fall of the Khilafah Demands Its Return

Upon the anniversary of the Fall of the Khilafah, 3 March 1924, corresponding to 28 Rajab 1342 AH, Hizb ut Tahrir Wilayah Pakistan held Khilafah Seminars in the major cities of Pakistan. The theme of the seminars was "The Fall of the Khilafah Demands its Return." Furthermore, Hizb ut Tahrir issued a booklet as a special Khilafah Communiqué to the people of Pakistan, also entitled "The Fall of the Khilafah Demands its Return". This Khilafah Communiqué is a reminder to us about the centrality of the Khilafah in our Deen and for our entire Ummah. It is an account of the struggle of our forefathers in the Indian Subcontinent to secure the Khilafah and also the signs of the return of the Khilafah amongst us. It is a call for all the Muslims to stand for Islam at a time when its Ummah is rising for its Khilafah.

RasulAllah (saw) said, “أطيب ريح في الأرض الهند” **“The best wind in the land of the Hind.”** [Al-Hakim's Mustadrak] Without doubt, we are a Muslim people, Islam is our identity and purpose, our history and heritage, Islam is linked to the Indian Subcontinent deeply and inextricably, since the seventh century CE. And we regard the implementation of Islam as an obligation throughout our history. Even during the time of the British Raj, we mobilized to prevent the destruction of the Khilafah. We convened Khilafat conferences, raised funds to save the Khilafah, issued a Khilafat Rupee inscribed with translated verses of the Quran, published a Khilafat journal, attacked the British and helped the Uthmani Khilafah against the crusader attacks. After the British Raj, it was our desire for Islam as a rule that mobilized us to make huge sacrifices for establishing a land for Islam, Pakistan. However, we were betrayed and have suffered over six decades of the man-made systems of democracy and dictatorship. And now as we languish under an American Raj, with Americans ordering and forbidding traitors within our military and political leadership, our desire for Islam has awakened with renewed vigor. It is now time for us to mobilize as a movement for Khilafah to restore this Ummah to its rightful place. □





“إذا لم تستحي فاصنع ما شئت”

“If you are not ashamed, then do what you please.”

Rulers of Turkey are out of their minds, they remain unremorseful!!



The rulers of Turkey have been saying in their official gazettes and media releases that the official spokesman of Hizb ut Tahrir in Turkey has been in contact with one of Mossad's agents! They have also been saying that the conference of Hizb ut Tahrir, the Khilafah conference which was scheduled to be held on 26th July, 2009 and wanted to carry out terrorist bombing...!! The Turkish officials have also been saying that in order to serve the interests of the Jews, Hizb ut Tahrir wanted to assassinate Erdogan, the godfather and mastermind of the negotiations with the Jews.

And thus they have been making statements of all sorts! These rulers of Turkey are the successors of the Jew who went about under the name of Mustafa Kemal Pasha and who executed the British and Jewish agenda of destroying the Khilafah. His followers have further added the American agenda of helping the Jews and attacking the Khilafah. And now these rulers claim that Hizb ut Tahrir which is working for reestablishing the Khilafah and praying day and night for it, they claim that it is serving Jewish interests!

The rulers of Turkey who only excel when it comes to defaming the deen of Allah, have unashamedly accorded recognition to the Jewish entity just after it was formed, and yet they accuse the Hizb ut Tahrir, which works to establish Khilafah which will uproot and eliminate the Jewish entity, of working to serve Jewish interests and accuse its spokesman of having contacted one of Mossad's agents.

These rulers of Turkey who did their best and signed military and security agreements and carried out joint military exercises with the Jewish entity, allege that Hizb ut Tahrir works with Mossad, while the Hizb ut Tahrir considers those agreements and military exercises to be a grave crime in Islam!

The Turkish rulers and especially Erdogan is the mastermind of the treacherous dialogue between the Syrian regime and the Jewish entity which has usurped Palestine. And yet they accuse the soldiers of Khilafah, who confront all traitors, of negotiating with the Jewish entity and the soldiers of Khilafah working for Jewish interest and of contacting a Mossad agent! The Turkish rulers and especially Erdogan, was asked by one of the audience when he spoke in Davos and was particularly impressed by his smooth talk, as to why then does the government not sever all diplomatic relations



with the Jewish entity after the massacre in Gaza? Erdogan replied that maintaining relations with the Jewish entity was better than breaking all relation! Such rulers have the audacity to accuse the Hizb ut Tahrir, which clearly and fearlessly states the truth that keeping relations with the Jewish entity is being rebellious to Allah, His Prophet (saw) and the believers, and yet these rulers accuse the Hizb ut Tahrir of keeping contacts with agents of the Jews!

The Turkish rulers and especially Erdogan, who makes every effort he can in order to gift the right of exploitation of Turkish lands to an (Israeli) company, and yet accuse the soldiers of Khilafah who are foiling his attempts, of keeping contacts with agents of the Jews!

Such shameless are the rulers of Turkey! The Prophet (saw) said the truth in the hadeeth narrated by Bukhari on the authority of Abi Masoud 'Aqaba ibn 'Aamir al-Ansari al-Badari said the Prophet said, **“One of the sayings of the prophets which the people have got, is: ‘If you do not feel ashamed, then do whatever you like.’”**

Oh Muslims! The rulers of Turkey have lost their nerves, they have hearts, but they understand not; they have ears, but they hear not; they have eyes, but they see not; they are not blind by their eyes, but they are blind by the hearts in their chests. They have seen by themselves how the people of Turkey support the Shabab of Hizb arrested for simply trying to hold the Khilafah conference in Istanbul. They witnessed how the people surrounded the court and shouted the slogans of truth against the regime's policemen who arrested the shabab who are working for Khilafah and the people demanded the release of the shabab. The people even succeeded in releasing some the Shabab and the rulers know all this, and also know well that Khilafah is deeply entrenched in the hearts and souls of the Muslims who are patiently waiting for its return. This is why they are inventing accusations and allegations against the shabab who are pure and pristine believers. The rulers are led by the Shaitan and they do not realise that the shabab of the Hizb are well known in their towns and villages for their character and integrity who stand up against all falsehoods and lies. The rulers are forgetting that such allegations soon bounce back upon the accusers themselves, and that tomorrow is not very far.

Oh Muslims! Hizb ut Tahrir praises Allah (swt) and that such invented accusations are the creations of the rulers who are rotting and stand exposed for their relations with the Jewish entity. It is also thankful that the media sources who have reproduced the false allegations of the rulers and media has been doing this for a long time. The media has been highlighting such accusations and the Ummah has been seeing this for years, and they understand the rulers as well as the media. Both of them have no place of respect among Muslims who will recount this on [...Cont. on p. 37](#)

Wilayah Sudan: The Social System in Islam is the Safety Valve for Society

Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Sudan organized a political seminar in Badara Baldgenat south of Khartoum on Friday, 12 Rabii II 1434 AH, 22 February 2013. Nasser Reza, Head of the Central Contacts Committee for Hizb ut Tahrir/ Wilayah of Sudan, addressed the reality of the depraved society displayed by its rampant immorality among the people. Abdul Rahman Saad, a member of the Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir/ Wilayah Sudan, spoke about the Islam's solutions for these widespread problems and how Islam protected society according to the Ahkam al-Sharii which leads to the formation of a distinct society. The seminar was attended by politicians, journalists, imams and school teachers. □



Wilayah Jordan: Stand Denouncing the Positions of Turkey's Rulers

Amid heavy security presence, Hizb ut Tahrir Jordan organized a stand denouncing the positions of Turkey's defeatist rulers for not supporting the people of Syria, and their conspiracy against the revolution in favor of America and the Kafir West, and they in turn wage war on HT Shabab and sentenced to unfair sentences. They also denounced the presence of conspiring Erdogan's Turkish regime for trying to thwart the Syrian Revolution, which calls for Khilafah ar-Rashida, searching for an alternative secular that is linked to the Kafir West. 16 Rabii II 1434 AH, 26 February 2012 CE. □



Join the Declaration of al-Sham in Announcing the Khilafah A call to the loyal people of al-Sham Revolution

Interview with the brothers of the Martyr Leader Ali Abdul Razak

The interview took place Tuesday, 16 Rabii II 1434 AH, 26 February 2013. He stressed to his brothers in this interview that they are following the path of their brother working to establish a Khilafah state that will not accept any other alternative. Following the martyr Osama Abdul Razzaq (broadcasted during his speech) was martyred following the martyrdom of his brothers Ali and Mustafa on 19 Rabii II 1434 AH, 01 March 2013. □



Hizb ut Tahrir Media Office of Turkey: Seminar Marking the Anniversary of the Fall of the Khilafah

21 Rabii II 1434 AH, 03 March 2013. Wilayah Turkey organized a seminar in Istanbul entitled "Governance and Administration in Islam" on the occasion of the calendar anniversary of the demolition of the Khilafah. It received a large reception from various people of society. Alhamdulillah. □



The Rise of 'Bride Snatching' in Kazakhstan

A prominent international policy group, the Wilson Centre has reported on the rise of forced marriages in Kazakhstan. There are specific historical and cultural attitudes that distinguish the abuse of women's rights in this region that set it apart from other nations. In the southern areas of Kazakhstan, many men who want to get married will simply 'hunt' out a possible bride through social links or personal investigation and bypass the normal Islamic discussion process of seeking permission from the woman's male guardians and the potential bride herself. They will then arrange to kidnap the unsuspecting woman or girl and organise other unscrupulous accomplices to perform a marriage ceremony with or without the consent of the unfortunate bride to be. It is known as *kelisimsiz alyp qashu* ("to take and run without agreement"). The dangerous state of affairs is not helped by the fact that consensual kidnapping known as *kelissimmen alyp qashu* ("to take and run with agreement"), is at present widely practiced and socially acceptable. This occurs when a girl may explicitly or even implicitly indicate interest in a relationship and may even agree to get married and as a consequence she may be suddenly taken from her home and placed immediately into a marriage setting with formal consent gained in symbolic items of clothing worn by the new 'bride' and a letter written to her family indicating her change of

circumstances.

The phenomenon has come to be known as 'bride snatching' and often ends up with women and girls permanently trapped in often violent and abusive relationships with no recourse for justice available to them. The problem has existed unchallenged for so long by the Kazakh government and international community such that incidents have risen sharply in recent years. Victims of this crime not only suffer the violation of their rights in terms of being married without their consent, but they often stay in the undesired relationship due to the social stigma of leaving the marital home and the shame divorce brings upon the family as well as the fact that they have a clear understanding that there are no authorities that will aid them in their plight.

Organisations such as the Wilson Centre have attributed the underlying causes of this illegitimate means of marriage as being linked to the post-Soviet transition period where access to women employment and education as well as social policies that facilitated child care were more available to women, as shown by the following Wilson centre quote; "Kidnap marriages, as well as arranged marriages, became illegal shortly after the Soviet state incorporated Central Asia in the early 1920s.....Marxist ideals that promoted gender equality are being replaced with new nationalist ideals that

emphasize more "traditional" gender roles." The implication here, is that with the ending of communist influence, the predominantly Muslim population of Kazakhstan, have reverted back to the values of the Ottoman Khilafah that ended in 1924 and as such, have been placed in a social time warp where Shariah influence is setting the women of the region back in terms of their political rights and public service mobilisation.

Other significant reasons for men preferring to kidnap a bride include speeding up the costly process of marriage that can overburden the average man who is of low income. In some cases the potential bride may already be expecting the prospective groom's child or it may simply be that the man did not respect the family's right to refuse a proposal of marriage.

In light of the perceived reasons for the alarming increase in bride snatching, which some NGO's estimate to be as high as 60-75% of all marriages, secular institutions such as the Wilson Centre have put forward a number of proposed solutions to address the problem. Unsurprisingly, the promotion of gender equality policies and selective legal reforms are considered top of the agenda. Social support centres for victims and greater means for women to enter the workplace and earn an independent income are also highlighted as proposed strategies as indicated in a report by the Wilson Centre; "Kazakh nationalism is stressed more than gender equali-

ty.....Encourage changes in the legal process.....Local NGOs could establish local crises centres.....young men are more likely to kidnap women against their will if they feel insecure about their own economic situation...."

With all of these oft repeated options given to the Kazakh government, there is a blinding oversight in the political appraisal of the problem of bride snatching that will make any attempt to solve it completely futile.

Firstly, all of the reasons given to explain the phenomenon of bride snatching are symptomatic of an underlying social culture that devalues and objectifies women. This is something that existed under the Soviet political ideology that dominated the region and also exists in the current secular political culture of Kazakhstan. The only difference that one should acknowledge is that under the iron control of Marxist policies, people may have found it more difficult to practice bride snatching at levels that we see today. However gross violations and abuse of women's rights were a regular part of Soviet life as slavery, imprisonment, execution and poverty are well documented. Economic independence does not and has not ever changed the status of women or given them greater respect in any society that has adopted this policy. This is proven in the high rates of harassment, unequal pay practices and limited promotional prospects that exist in all established democratic nations.

Secondly, fundamental flaws in

the analysis also exist in the way the Kazakh national identity is dealt with. Whilst it cannot be denied that cultural practices can be a great obstacle to women's rights, such as the un-Islamic and unnecessary high costs involved in getting married, it should not be assumed that it is the Islamic culture that is the great threat here. In fact the exact opposite is true. In Islam, women are regarded in the highest terms of respect and are guarded from being used, abused and objectified in any social or political context, be it in the advertising industry or in the work that is allowed for women who may want to use their physical attributes to earn money. This includes the invalidity of any marriage without the woman or girl giving her explicit consent to marry. In addition, Islam bestows great respect for the role of women as mothers and wives, a role traditionally undermined and punished by the social and economic structure of Capitalism. Under the Islamic social system of the Khilafah, taken from the Quran and the teachings of the Prophet Mohammad (saw), specified policies exist to regulate the relationship between males and females both in public and private. Islam forbids the liberal culture of men and women mixing freely and as such, misunderstandings of the intent to marry or women giving birth outside of consensual marriage would be very difficult to arise.

Sayyiduna Abd Allah ibn Abbas (Allah be pleased with him) narrates that the Messenger of Allah (Allah bless him and give him peace) said:

"لا تُسَافِرُ المرأةُ إلا مع ذي محرم ، ولا يدخل عليها رجل إلا ومعها محرم"

"A woman must not travel except with a Mahram and a man must not enter upon her except if she has a Mahram." (Sahih al-Bukhari, No. 1763).

The Islamic judicial system of the Khilafah creates a society where women feel safe to engage on their social roles knowing that there are strict and enforceable laws that severely punish anyone that denies them their rights. These rights do not only encompass issues linked to kidnap or physical assault, but even extend as far as to punish anyone who dares slander or circulate false rumours about women, which, as we know, can clearly harm the lives of women directly and indirectly. Allah (swt) says,

﴿إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَرْمُونَ الْمُحْصَنَاتِ الْغَافِلَاتِ الْمُؤْمِنَاتِ لَعْنُوا فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ عَظِيمٌ﴾

"Verily, those who accuse chaste women, who never even think of anything touching their chastity, and are good believers - are cursed in this life and in the Hereafter, and for them will be a great torment" [al-Noor 23].

The importance of God consciousness (Taqwa) or the keen awareness Muslims have for the accountability they have - not to the State but to the Creator Himself - is a factor that would be deeply rooted in a personality educated and raised in the Islamic society of the Khilafah. As such self-discipline and respect for women are considered to be the

social norms for citizens under this Islamic System.

In light of these clear Islamic principles and laws, which are only a hint of the great state of protection that Islam affords women, we can now understand how the Khilafah of the past did not share the sordid reality that exists for all women today, be it the global proliferation of domestic violence, bride snatching in Kazakhstan, forced marriages in Africa or Asia, infanticide of female foetuses in India or the sickening international slave trade in women who are exploited by individuals or groups affected by the capitalist mentality of maximising profits regardless of the consequences. Islam never had a women's rights movement as women had their rights under its rule. Under the Khilafah, women knew that they were not obliged to work as the male members of their family or the State were responsible for their economic maintenance and they also knew that they were entitled to free education and could engage in paid work or political activities in a manner that agreed with Islam and in a manner where they never felt guilty or degraded if they chose to pursue the noble task of nurturing their families and teaching the next generation the high Islamic values that breeds personalities that see no benefit in harming or abusing others. It is only the Khilafah State that can secure human rights in a manner that is not merely theoretical but in a manner that exists in reality. The debate over a modern Kazakh national identity versus a traditional Kazakh identity should be

abandoned and replaced by a clear Islamic agenda reflected in this quote from the Quran.

﴿وَأَنزَلْنَا إِلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ مُصَدِّقًا لِّمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ مِنَ الْكِتَابِ وَمُهَيْمِنًا عَلَيْهِ فَاحْكُم بَيْنَهُم بِمَا أَنزَلَ اللَّهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ عَمَّا جَاءَكَ مِنَ الْحَقِّ * لِكُلِّ جَعَلْنَا مِنْكُمْ شِرْعَةً وَمَنْهَاجًا * وَلَوْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ لَجَعَلَكُمْ أُمَّةً وَاحِدَةً وَلَكِنْ لِّيَبْلُوَكُمْ فِي مَا آتَاكُمْ فَاسْتَبِقُوا الْخَيْرَاتِ * إِلَى اللَّهِ مَرْجِعُكُمْ جَمِيعًا فَيُنَبِّئُكُمْ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ فِيهِ تَخْتَلِفُونَ﴾

“Then We revealed the Book to you (O Muhammad!) with Truth, confirming whatever of the Book was revealed before, and protecting and guarding over it. Judge, then, in the affairs of men in accordance with the Law that Allah has revealed, and do not follow their desires in disregard of the Truth which has come to you. For each of you We have appointed a Law and a way of life. And had Allah so willed, He would surely have made you one single community; instead, (He gave each of you a Law and a way of life) in order to test you by what He gave you. Vie, then, one with another in good works. Unto Allah is the return of all of you; and He will then make you understand the truth concerning the matters on which you disagreed.” [Al-Maidah: 48]

It is not only Kazakh men that should be accounted for the correct implementation of these noble verses, but the leadership and entire government of Kazakhstan itself. □

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British Terror Suspects Quietly Stripped of Citizenship Then Killed By Drones:

The UK government has secretly ramped up a controversial programme that strips people of their British citizenship on national security grounds. An investigation by the Bureau of Investigative Journalism for "The Independent" has established that since 2010, Home Secretary Theresa May has revoked passports of 16 individuals, many of whom are alleged to have had links to militant or terrorist groups. Critics warn that it allows ministers to "wash their hands" of British nationals suspected of terrorism may be subject to torture and illegal detention abroad; also allows those stripped of their citizenship to be killed or "rendered" without UK Government intervention. Those affected have their passports cancelled, losing their right to enter the UK - making it very difficult to appeal against the Home Secretary's decision. Human rights lawyer Gareth Peirce said the present situation "smacked of mediaeval exile, just as cruel and just as arbitrary." □

US Senator Says 4,700 Killed in US Drone Strikes:

US senator said an estimated 4,700 people have been killed in the contentious bombing raids of US secret drone war, local media reported. It was the first time a lawmaker or government representative referred to a total number of fatalities in drone strikes, condemned by rights groups as extrajudicial assassinations. The toll from hundreds of drone-launched missile strikes against suspected al Qaeda militants in Pakistan, Yemen and elsewhere has remained a mystery, as US officials refuse to publicly discuss any details of the covert campaign. Senator Lindsey Graham, a staunch supporter of the drone raids, openly cited a number that exceeds some independent estimates of the death toll. "We've killed 4,700," Graham was quoted as saying by the Easley Patch, a local website covering the small town of Easley in S. Carolina. "Sometimes you hit innocent people, and I hate that, but we're at war, and we've taken out some very senior members of al Qaeda." Graham's office did not dispute his reported remarks. A spokesman told AFP the senator "quoted the figure that has been publicly reported and disseminated on cable news." His remark was unprecedented, as US officials have sometimes hinted at estimates of civilian casualties but never referred to a total body count. "Now this is the first time a US official has put a total number on it," said Micah Zenko, a fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations. □



Egypt closes Gaza Tunnels to hurt Palestinians; Strengthen Jewish State:

Egyptian forces flooded smuggling tunnels under the border with the Palestinian-ruled Gaza Strip in a campaign to shut them down, Egyptian and Palestinian officials said. The network of tunnels is a vital lifeline for Gaza, bringing in an estimated 30% of all goods, circumventing a blockade imposed by the Jewish entity for more than 7 years. Reuters reporters saw a tunnel being used to bring cement and gravel suddenly fill with water, sending workers rushing for safety. Locals said two other tunnels were likewise flooded, with Egyptians deliberately pumping in water. "We are using water to close the tunnels by raising water from one of the wells," an Egypt official said, declining to be named. Dozens of tunnels had been destroyed since last August following the killing of 16 Egyptian soldiers in a militant attack near the Gaza fence. Cairo said some of the gunmen had crossed into Egypt via the tunnels, a charge denied by Palestinians, and ordered an immediate crackdown. The move angered Gaza's rulers, the Islamist group Hamas, which had hoped for much better ties with Cairo following the election last year of President Mursi, an Islamist who is ideologically close to Hamas. A Hamas official gave no further details and declined to speculate on the timing of the move, which started while Palestinian faction leaders met in Cairo to try to

overcome deep divisions. □

Rulers of Bahrain & UAE Give Money to British Army:

Britain's top military academy, Sandhurst, has come under fire for renaming a sports hall commemorating a First World War battle after the King of Bahrain. The Mons Hall, named after the 1914 battle where thousands died, will have its name changed to honour the Bahraini monarch who has given millions in funding to the Army's officer training college. The building will now be called King Hamad Hall and will reopen next month after being refurbished thanks to a £3 million donation from the king, who is the patron of the Sandhurst Foundation but is known for brutally repressing demonstrators at home. Sandhurst has also accepted a £15 million donation from the United Arab Emirates to build a new accommodation block, raising questions about the college's links with authoritarian Gulf states accused of human rights abuses. □

Emir of Qatar Buys Six Greek Islands for £7m, Plans Investments as Muslims Go Hungry:

Emir of Qatar has bought 6 Greek islands in a deal of least £7.22 million. The islands are part of a small archipelago known as the Echinades, a couple of miles from Ithaca, a famous site in Homer's Odyssey. They first caught the eye of Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al-Thani, when he moored his super-yacht whilst on holiday four years ago. □

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Do Not Fear Obama's Statements

in the region and the world at large. Were it not that Allah (swt) safeguarded this great deserted revolution, it would have been lost along with us, may Allah forbid. We say to the opposition, the coalition and their council: Is it not time for you to realize that the West, led by America, are taking you for a ride and nothing else? They will not be pleased with you unless you hand the whole of Syria over to them as it was in the era of Al Assad? We trust in Allah and in His promised victory. We carry the good news to the Muslims in Syria that their revolution, Allah willing, will triumph; because the one that fears Allah does not fear America. It is rather America that fears him, and Muslims realize this. Muslims, in their current international struggle with the West, are growing stronger, while America is weakening.

Allah Ta'aala says:

﴿إِنَّا لَنَنْصُرُ رُسُلَنَا وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا
وَيَوْمَ يَقُومُ الشَّهَادُ يَوْمَ لَا يَنْفَعُ الظَّالِمِينَ مَعَذِرَتُهُمْ
وَلَهُمُ اللَّعْنَةُ وَلَهُمْ سُوءُ الدَّارِ﴾

“Indeed, We will support Our messengers and those who believe during the life of this world and on the Day when the witnesses will stand - The Day their excuse will not benefit the wrongdoers, and they will have the curse, and they will have the worst home.” [40: 51-52]□

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Muslim MPs will Never Secure the Values of Islam

undone for decades - now the struggle to undo the knot of the basics of the Deen is taking place. Muslims across the world are trying to reestablish the knot of ruling by Islam - the Islamic Khilafah. It is time for us living in the West to realize the struggle that is taking place here to change Islam and take an active part to prevent this. This can only be done, brothers and sisters, by building a strong conviction that Islam is a complete Deen that can address all our affairs in the 21st century and, moreover, it is Islam that has the solutions to the problems facing the whole of humanity today.

Thus we call on our community to abandon the wasted efforts of sending Muslims to parliament and engage in the much-needed effort to build the fortress of Islamic thoughts and values in our communities.

﴿قَدْ تَبَيَّنَ الرُّشْدُ مِنَ الْغَيِّ، فَمَنْ يَكْفُرْ بِالطَّاغُوتِ
وَيُؤْمِنْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدْ اسْتَمْسَكَ بِالْعُرْوَةِ الْوُثْقَى، لَا انْفِصَامَ
لَهَا وَاللَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ﴾

“True Guidance has become distinct from error, so whoever reject Taghut and believes in Allah has grasped the firmest handhold - one that will never break. And Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing” [al-Baqarah: 256]□

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Ailing Saudi Regime Arrests Women

to the true Islamic leadership of the Khilafah State which safeguards Islam and its people. The Khilafah obliged by the laws of Islam to ensure women enjoy honourable lives and preserve all her rights. It is system whose priority does not lie in preserving the seats of power of rulers, kings, or political parties but rather in preserving the correct implementation of Islam, that includes establishing justice and securing the needs of every individual in the State. It is a regime where it obligates its Ummah political accountancy of any oppression, corruption, or neglect of duty of those in ruling is obliged and hence facilitated with numerous avenues rather than fought. It is a system where accountability, transparency, and rule of law are fixed tenets of governance giving real authority and weight to the political voices of women and men alike.

﴿وَمَنْ لَّمْ يَحْكَمْ بِمَا أَنزَلَ اللَّهُ فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الظَّالِمُونَ﴾

“And whoever does not judge by what Allah has revealed, such are the Oppressors.” [Al-Maida: 45]□

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Policy Paper on Destructive Taxation

income and consumption as virtually the sole means to generate revenue. Its revenue generation is based on accrued wealth beyond the basic needs or upon actual production. Even when the Khilafah does tax, it is with stringent conditions that are based upon accumulated wealth, so it does not penalize poor and under-privileged who are unable to secure their basic needs. And this is asides from the huge revenue that the state will generate from state owned and publicly owned enterprises such as energy resources, machinery and infrastructure manufacture. Industry will thrive in the Khilafah. It will not be strangled by taxes for all manner of crucial inputs, from energy to machinery. Instead, the state will generate revenue from profits of the trade and accrued trading merchandise. This allows the businesses to focus on production without fetters, whilst circulation is ensured through their giving of revenues from their profits or accrued wealth. In Islam, the taxation is not based on consumption of agricultural inputs, but on production from the land, which enables the farmer to maximize the production, without being slowed down by over-expensive inputs.

Note: To see complete policy and its relevant articles of the constitution for the Khilafah state please go to this web link.

<http://htmediapak.page.tl/policy-matters.htm>□

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Women's Conference

this exploitative ideology that places wealth creation above all other values correlated women's empowerment with employment, devaluing motherhood, destabilizing the family structure, and eroding the concept of male and state maintenance of women - all in an attempt to drive women into the workplace - causing them to compromise their important role as nurturers and educators of the future generation. Indeed similar problems have characterized the lives of women under all man-made ideologies across the world - East and West.

Dear Sisters of Malaysia, we call you to attend this important conference and to join the global call for the Khilafah that now spans over 40 countries and grows stronger with every passing day. Stand alongside the thousands of female members and supporters of Hizb ut Tahrir across the globe who are responding to the Command of their Creator, Allah (swt) to restore the Shariah to our lands by establishing His System upon this earth. Indeed, it is the Khilafah alone that embodies the high principles, laws, and mechanisms to solve poverty and protect the dignity and rights of women, returning them to their elevated, valued status within society that Islam has prescribed. □

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Change Leaders or System?

homosexuality, drunkenness and all other evils have been passed under democracy. Therefore, Muslims are responsible to negate the system and avoid its elections as it goes against Islam.

In conclusion, we remind the Kenyan public especially the Muslim community that they should not be deceived by democratic politicians who hire sheikhs. As usual, they distort ayahs and hadiths on the Minbars of the beloved Prophet (saw) as they try to sanitize democracy. Do not plunge into democratic Kufr but instead work with sincere dawah carriers to restore the Islamic state which will liberate you from slavery to human legislation and guide you towards obedience of the Shariah of Allah (swt).

Allah (swt) says:

﴿وَمَنْ يُشَاقِقِ الرَّسُولَ مِنْ بَعْدِ مَا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُ الْهُدَىٰ وَيَتَّبِعْ غَيْرَ سَبِيلِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ نُوَلِّهِ مَا تَوَلَّىٰ وَنُصْلِهِ جَهَنَّمَ ۖ وَسَاءَتْ مَصِيرًا﴾

“And whoever opposes the Messenger after the right path has been shown to him and follows other than the believers way, We shall keep him in the path he has chosen and burn him in hell - what an evil destination.” [TMQ 4:115] □

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does not have any standards of right and justice? Shouldn't you be aware of the colonial West's politics, which aims to enslave you after it could not dismantle you? How it was also implemented upon the Native American Indians and the millions of Negroes taken as prisoners from Africa? The equality, security, and peace are only attained with Allah's (swt) Shariah that balances the heavens and the earth;

﴿وَلَا يَجْرِمَنَّكُمْ شَنَاٰنُ قَوْمٍ أَن صَدُّوكُمْ عَنِ الْمَسْجِدِ الْحَرَامِ أَن تَعْتَدُوا وَتَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْبِرِّ وَالتَّقْوَىٰ وَلَا تَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْإِثْمِ وَالْعُدْوَانِ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ شَدِيدُ الْعِقَابِ﴾

“and let not the hatred of some people In (once) shutting you out of the sacred Mosque lead you to transgression (and hostility on your part). help ye one another In righteousness and piety, but help ye not one another In sin and rancour: fear Allah. for Allah is strict In punishment.” [Al-Maida: 2]

We invite you to work with Hizb ut Tahrir to establish the Khilafah that will attain justice, security, and protection. The Khilafah will be restored to its Islamic Ummah as it was the best Ummah enjoining the Khair and forbidding the Munkar, believes in Allah...

﴿وَلَقَدْ سَبَقَتْ كَلِمَتُنَا لِعِبَادِنَا الْمُرْسَلِينَ ۖ إِنَّهُمْ لَهُمُ الْمَنْصُورُونَ ۖ وَإِن جُنَدُنَا لَهُمُ الْغَالِبُونَ﴾

“Already has Our word been passed before (this) to Our servants sent (by Us) ﷻ That They would certainly be assisted ﷻ And that Our forces, They surely must conquer.” [As-Saffat: 171-3]□

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If you are not ashamed...

the day of Judgment in front of Allah (swt), such is the fate of liars both in life and after death. We should take a lesson from this episode narrated in the Tabaqat ibn Sa'ad that when 'Omar (ra) learnt that he was (fatally) attacked by a Kafir who never prostrated before Allah (swt), he praised Allah. Such is the fate of every slandering accuser.

By the blessings of Allah (swt) the Hizb ut Tahrir is banner of greatness and blessing and carries fire over its head, which will soon burn the tongues of such slanderers and accusers as Allah (swt), the Powerful and unforgiving to liars said of such slanderers:

﴿وَلَقَدْ أَهْلَكْنَا أَشْيَاعَكُمْ فَهَلْ مِنْ مُّذَكِّرٍ﴾

“And indeed, We have destroyed your likes; then is there any that will remember (or receive admonition)?” [al-Qamar: 51].

But how does matter to such liars, they do not understand, they do not comprehend, but certainly they shall be accounted without fail.

﴿وَاللَّهُ غَالِبٌ عَلَىٰ أَمْرِهِ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾

“And Allâh has full power and control over His Affairs, but most of men know not.” [TMQ Yusuf: 21]□

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Draft Constitution of the Khilafah State

Article 7: The State implements the Ahkam Shariah on all citizens who hold citizenship of the Islamic State, whether Muslims or not, in the following manner:

e. Marital affairs (including divorce) among non-Muslims are settled in accordance with their religions, but between non-Muslims and Muslims they are settled according to the aHkaam Shar'iyyah.

f. All the remain ing shar'i matters and rules, such as: the application of transactions, punishments and evidences (at court), the system of ruling and economics are implemented by the State upon everyone, Muslim and non-Muslim alike. This includes the people of treaties (mu'aahid), the protected subjects (Ahlu Dhimmah) and all who submit to the authority of Islam. The implementation on these people is the same as the implementation on the subjects of the State. Ambassadors and envoys enjoy diplomatic immunity. □

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Book of the Month:

The Ummah's Charter



by

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The word charter, linguistically and in the Sharee'ah terminology, means al-Ahd (the covenant). SWT:

﴿إِنَّا الَّذِينَ يَصِلُونَ إِلَىٰ قَوْمٍ بَيْنَكُمْ وَبَيْنَهُمْ مِّيثَاقٌ﴾

“Except those who join a group, between you and whom there is a treaty (of peace) (meethaaq).”

[4:90] And He (swt) said:

﴿وَإِذْ أَخَذَ اللَّهُ مِيثَاقَ النَّبِيِّينَ لَمَا آتَيْتُكُمْ مِّنْ كِتَابٍ وَحِكْمَةٍ ثُمَّ جَاءَكُمْ رَسُولٌ مُّصَدِّقٌ لِّمَا مَعَكُمْ لَتُؤْمِنُنَّ بِهِ وَلَتَنْصُرُنَّهُ﴾

“And (remember) when Allah took the Covenant (meethaaq) of the Prophets, saying: ‘Take whatever I gave you from the Book and Hikmah (understanding of the Laws of Allah, etc.), and afterwards there will come to you a Messenger (Muhammad saw) confirming what is with you; you must, then, believe in him and help him.’” [2: 81] In our time, technically, it refers to a collection of prin-

ciples, in which the people believe, make their viewpoint in life and take as a source for their constitution and rules. The people, who adopt a charter, are the newly emergent people who have established a state and began a new life other than that which they used to live; as is the case with the African states and with every state which was born recently and began a new life other than their former life. When the Arab countries were separated from the body of the Uthmani Khilafah at the end of World War I, each region that had become a state tried to draw up a charter. As for the previous peoples and nations, they did not think of writing a charter. This is because a specific political creed had crystallised in them, together with specific principles which they took as their viewpoint about life and as a source for the rules that they used, instead of a constitution and canons, in case if they did not have a constitution or canons. If they have a constitution and canons, they use these principles as a source for this constitution and canons. These principles are preserved, well known and agreed upon without any need for them to be written down, and without being called an Ummah's charter or national charter. This is the case with all very old states.

The Islamic Ummah is one of the most ancient of nations and she has a political creed, which is the only true Aqeedah. It has been entrenched within her thoughts and ahkaam, which she made her viewpoint about life and took as a source of rules that organise the state and

the rest of the relationships, or what they call constitution and canons. All of this has been recorded in two great sources, the Kitaab and Sunnah. Therefore, it is in no need for a charter called the Ummah's charter. It is not right that she should have a national charter, because the Kitaab and Sunnah oblige it to fight against the patriotic and nationalistic bond.

However, the Ummah was affected by the Western thoughts, due to the missionary and cultural invasion, followed by the political and military attack by the Kaafir Western states on the Muslim lands.

The application of Islam in the state and society became far removed from the Ummah after the destruction of the Khilafah state in 1924, the Kitaab and Sunnah lost, in the minds of the Muslims, their political and legislative aspect. The Islamic Aqeedah ceased to be a political creed. As a result of these two matters, the vision of Islam as an Aqeedah and system for life, state and society weakened. However, this ancient Islamic Ummah woke up from its slumber, after the intense suffering caused by her remoteness from Islam and the domination of the West, its thoughts, systems and agents. It woke up after the West showed its true face and the Ummah perceived the corruption of Western thoughts and systems, corruption of the socialist and communist thoughts and systems and also corruption of nationalism and regionalism. It has understood the extent of their danger to it and to its entity as an Ummah. □

حنظلة بن صيفي وكان كاتباً لرسول الله (صلى الله عليه وسلم) قال: قال لي رسول الله – ”الزمني وأذكرني بكل شيء لثالثه“. قال: ”فكان لا يأتي عليّ مال أو طعام ثلاثة أيام إلا أذكره، فلا يبيت رسول الله وعنده شيء“ وكان الغالب أن يقسم المال ليومه. عن الحسن بن محمد فيما رواه أبو عبيد: ”أن رسول الله لم يكن يقي ل مالا عنده، ولا يبيته“.

Hanzalah Ibnu Sayfi, a clerk to Rasool Allah (saw), reported: “The Messenger of Allah (saw) said to me: “Accompany me and remind me of everything, for no later than three days.” He said: ‘so I kept on reminding him for three days about any fund or food or any money I received.’ So the Messenger of Allah (saw) would not spend the night except after the disposed of everything.” Most of the time, the funds used to be distributed on the same day. Al-Hassan Ibnu Muhammad reported Rasool Allah (saw) never used to keep any fund till late in the day or overnight, “i.e. if he (saw) received it in the morning, he would distribute before noon, and if he (saw) received it in the evening he would spend it and would not keep it overnight.”



Bayt al-Maal in Umayyad Mosque Damascus, Syria

Bayt al-Maal can be divided into two parts:

Revenues:

This includes three diwans:

- Spoils & Kharaj: includes spoils, Kharaj, lands, Jizyah, booties and taxes.
- Public property: includes oil, gas, electricity, minerals, seas, rivers, lakes, springs, forests, pastures and hima (protected lands).
- Sadaqah: includes Zakah of money, merchandise, harvest and fruits, animals.

Expenditure:

This includes eight diwans:

- Khilafah house
- State's services
- Grants
- Jihad
- Expenses of Sadaqah
- Expenses of public property
- Emergency
- General budget, accounting and inspection