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**O Ulema of the Islamic Ummah: You are the heirs of the Prophets (as) and the trustees of the Messengers (as) over the servants of Allah ﷻ. So, bear your inheritance and be worthy of your trust as leaders of the Islamic Ummah on its path to regaining its position as the master of the world. Lead it to wrest its authority from those who usurped it from it, and uproot those nationalistic borders that the West drew between its lands and restore all of them as one state as they once were. Then you and the Ummah will pledge a Bayah of allegiance to a Khlaleefah (Caliph) who will establish the rule of Allah ﷻ among you, so that people may see it as a practical reality implemented, and they will enter the Deen of Allah ﷻ in multitudes. How fortunate you will be then, with all this goodness recorded in your book of good deeds, and with it you will meet your Lord, Allah ﷻ.**

# **Let Rajab Witness the Glorious Establishment of the Second Khilafah Rashidah, After Witnessing the Painful Fall of the Uthmani Khilafah**

**By Ustadh Musab Umair, Wilayah Pakistan**

**O Ummah of Muhammad ﷺ, the Mercy to All Humanity!**

For two painful years, the rulers of Muslims, agents to the West, prevented the mobilization of our armies against the Jewish entity, despite our demands. Then the Pharaoh of today, Trump, ordered a devious ceasefire, in which the Muslims are to cease firing, whilst the Jewish entity continuously rains fire upon them. Now, with the help of his agents in the Muslim World, Trump is making preparations to gather the armies of Muslims, under the command of the American military, to secure the Jewish entity and disarm the mujahideen!

Alongside the treachery of the rulers of Muslims, the Jewish entity maintains its cruel siege of Gaza. The Jewish entity prevents the entry of lifesaving shelter assistance, tents, blankets and other essential supplies, whilst hundreds of thousands of Muslims face winter storms, that brought bitter cold, strong winds, heavy rains and extensive flooding.

**O the Best Ummah, brought Forth to All Humanity!**

How is life for the Islamic Ummah since the destruction of the Khilafah on 28 Rajab 1342 AH, corresponding to 3 March 1924 CE? It is a life filled with occupation, attacks, defeats, humiliation,

poverty and misery. Can we expect anything else when our Deen is not implemented over us? Allah ﷻ warned us, ﴿وَمَنْ أَعْرَضَ عَنْهُ فَإِنَّ لَهُ مَعِيشَةً ضَنْكًا﴾ **“And whoever turns away from My remembrance - indeed, he will have a life of hardship.”** [TMQ Surah Taha: 124]. Can we expect anything else when we have no shield to protect us, a righteous Imam, ruling us by Islam and mobilizing our armies against our enemies? The Messenger of Allah ﷺ warned us, «يُوشِكُ الْأُمَمُ أَنْ تَدَاعَى عَلَيْكُمْ كَمَا تَدَاعَى الْأَكَلَةُ إِلَى قَصْعَتِهَا» **“The people will soon summon one another to attack you as people when eating invite others to share their dish.”** [Abu Daud]

Remember, Rajab did not always witness sorrow and destruction. In the time of the implementation of the Deen, it witnessed huge victories against the enemies of the Ummah.

In Rajab, the Battle of Mu'tah took place, the first major battle between the Muslims and the Romans, a battle against the greatest power of kufr at the time, the leading state of its era. In that battle, the Sword of Allah, Khalid ibn al-Walid (ra), withdrew with the 3,000 Muslim fighters in what was a victorious manoeuvre, against a Roman army nearly 200,000 strong. Despite this, the Muslims were not defeated, and the Romans did not achieve victory. So, who will face the greatest power of kufr today, America?

The month of Rajab also witnessed the liberation of Al-Quds (Jerusalem) at the hands of the victor Salahudin, the vanquisher of the Crusaders, who returned Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa to the embrace of Islam after decades of Crusader occupation. So, who will liberate Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa today and cleanse it from the defilement of the Jews? Who will be the supporter of the Ummah, the liberator of its lands, and the defender of its

oppressed, while the West crusaders have unified against the Ummah with all its might and resources?

In Rajab, the Battle of Ain Jalut took place, where the Muslims defeated the Mongols, and halted their devastating advance into the lands of Islam. So, who will stand today against the Mongols of this era and support an Ummah whose people are oppressed and overpowered?

In this month, we also witnessed the conquest of Amorium during the reign of Al-Mu'tasim, when he responded to the plea of a Muslim woman who cried out, "Wa Mu'tasimah!" He marched at the head of a mighty army and achieved a decisive victory. So, who will stand for the thousands of women who are crying out for help today?

### **O Muslims!**

Each and every one of us will stand before Allah ﷻ for accounting about what we witnessed in our time and what we did to rectify the situation. Each and every one of us must support the Deen, by obeying Allah ﷻ and working to implement His Deen. It is then that Allah ﷻ will support us and firm our foothold. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن تَنصُرُوا اللَّهَ يَنصُرْكُمْ وَيُثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَكُمْ﴾ **"O you who have believed, if you support Allah, He will support you and make your foothold firm."** [TMQ Surah Muhammad: 7]

The Khilafah is the system obligated by Shariah evidences, representing a general leadership for all Muslims in matters of Deen and worldly affairs. Establishing Islam in its proper form is a Shariah obligation, as it is the system that preserves the unification of the Ummah, and ensures the implementation of Islam. Without it, the Ummah remains divided and weak. Working to establish it is not merely a dream or a distant hope,

but a Shariah obligation that Muslims must unify to fulfill. The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, «إِنَّمَا الْإِمَامُ جُنَّةٌ يُقَاتَلُ مِنْ وَرَائِهِ وَيُتَّقَى بِهِ» “The Imam is a shield behind whom you fight and by whom you are protected.”

### **O Muslims in the Armies of the Islamic Ummah!**

You are accountable before Allah ﷻ for supporting your Deen and your Ummah. Would you not love to be the Ansaar of the Deen of Allah ﷻ, as the Ansar were in Madinah? Would you not love for your names to be recorded in the Divine Record of Allah ﷻ as conquerors and saviors of this Ummah? Remove the traitor rulers and grant your Nussrah to Hizb ut Tahrir for the establishment of the Second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly-Guided Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood. The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, «تَكُونُ النَّبُوءَةُ فِيكُمْ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ ثُمَّ يَرْفَعَهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةُ عَلَى مِنْهَاجِ النَّبُوءَةِ فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ ثُمَّ يَرْفَعَهَا إِذَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا ثُمَّ تَكُونُ مُلْكًا مُلْكًا عَاصِبًا فَيَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ يَكُونَ ثُمَّ يَرْفَعَهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً جَبْرِيَّةً فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ ثُمَّ يَرْفَعَهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَى مِنْهَاجِ النَّبُوءَةِ» “Prophethood will last with you for as long as Allah wants it to last. Then there will be Khilafah according to the Method of Prophethood, and things will be as Allah wishes them to be. Then Allah will end it when He wishes. Then there will be biting (hereditary) rule, and things will be as Allah wishes them to be. Then, Allah will end it when He wishes. Then there will be an oppressive rule, and things will be as Allah wishes them to be. Then, Allah will end it when He wishes. Then there will be a Khilafah according to the method of Prophethood.” After this speech, then, he ﷺ fell silent.

# One Year After the Fall of the Assad Regime: Essential Reflections

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(Translated)

The celebrations commemorating the liberation rekindled feelings of pride, joy, and elation at the downfall of a tyrannical despot and a modern-day idol. However, on this anniversary, it is beneficial to recall the following points, which may, by the Permission of Allah ﷻ, bring about positive change:

**Firstly:** The fall of the Assad regime, and the flight of the criminal Bashar al-Assad, were not sudden events. Instead, they were paved by immense sacrifices and a cumulative awareness built over fourteen years of unwavering conviction, patience, dedication, and struggle. This was coupled with the formation of a powerful public opinion that demanded the opening of fronts to overthrow the regime, and liberate the people from its evils, thus demonstrating the fragility of its foundations and paving the way for its collapse. Victory was a blessing from Allah ﷻ Alone, Who orchestrated the circumstances and smoothed the way for the end of five dark decades of Assad's tyranny.

**Secondly:** No sooner had Allah ﷻ honored us with the downfall of Bashar al-Assad than some conspiring nations rushed to falsely and hypocritically claim credit for his departure. Among them was the Turkish regime, which had been calling for reconciliation and normalization with Bashar, and welcoming his return to the Arab League and integration into the regional sphere.

**Thirdly:** America today, which claims to stand with Syria, is the same America of yesterday, which supported Bashar al-Assad and provided him with every cheap tool to save him and prevent his downfall. It is the same America that gave the green light to Russia, Iran, their militias, and Hezbollah in Lebanon to carry out the dirty work of rescuing him and crushing the revolution. And it is the same America that supports the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) and its militias to impose its vision of a solution on the current administration. This embrace of the SDF is nothing more than their awareness that they are a valuable pawn in America's hands, moved to serve its interests, not the Syrian people.

Allah ﷻ said, ﴿مَا يَوَدُّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ وَلَا الْمُشْرِكِينَ أَنْ يُنَزَّلَ عَلَيْكُمْ مِنْ خَيْرٍ مِنْ رَبِّكُمْ﴾ **“Neither those who disbelieve among the People of the Scripture nor the polytheists wish that any good should be sent down to you from your Lord.”** [TMQ Surah al-Baqarah 105]

And the poet said: أعيذها نظراتٍ منك صادقةً \*\*\* أن تحسب الشحم فيمن  
I seek refuge for it from your truthful glances, lest you mistake for tallow in that whose tallow is malignancy.”

It is worth recalling that America rushed to contain the situation in Syria after the liberation, so that matters would not get out of its control and out of the broad outlines of its policy there. America's maneuvers, statements, and political, economic, and military actions regarding the Syrian issue were within this framework.

**Fourthly:** It is essential to emphasize a fundamental political truth: the lifting of US sanctions is inextricably linked to conditions and concessions, and the current administration will not be the first to suffer the consequences. It has become clear to everyone that lifting the sanctions is tied to the consolidation of

the state's secularism, pardoning the most notorious criminals from the remnants of the old regime — some even being placed in positions of power — and paving the way for normalization with the Jewish entity, despite its blatant disregard and contempt. Indeed, impunity only breeds further transgressions. This is in addition to suppressing the spirit of revolution and Jihad that has taken root in the hearts of the revolutionaries, and combating anything related to working towards the implementation of Islamic Shariah Law within a state. The pretext of “minorities,” and the excuses and cover-ups it provides, are merely tools to impose the American vision and its insidious projects, along with the necessary treacherous and cunning figures, whether from the remnants of the old regime or others who pledge allegiance to the West. It is worth remembering that the American Caesar Act sanctions targeted the people, not the regime. Otherwise, why were they not lifted after its fall, except under a dangerous series of conditions, both secret and public?

**Fifthly:** Anyone who thinks that America's support for him is permanent is mistaken. America is known for exhausting those who serve it in order to replace them with another when their services end, or America finds a replacement for them.

**Sixthly:** The United Nations and its Security Council are dens of intrigue, not a source of hope for peoples to solve their problems and end their tragedies. We all know the poison of UN Resolution 2254, which aimed to return us, humbled, to the rule of the fugitive Assad.

**Seventhly:** The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund are not charitable organizations. Instead, they are usurious (riba) institutions that aim to exploit, impoverish, and subjugate nations and regimes to the will of the capitalist West, led by America.



Therefore, it is naive to accept loans from them under the pretext that they are grants and not loans, especially given officials' statements that the conditions these institutions demand in exchange for the money they provide money that carries deadly poison under glittering slogans!

**Eighthly:** There are serious, but pathetic, attempts to discourage us and portray us as weak, to sow despair, frustration, and subservience, in order to legitimize and justify every transgression related to groveling before the international order, under the guise of achieving security, economic recovery, and national reconstruction. We are strong in our Deen and honored by our Lord, Allah ﷻ. Our land is replete with lions of aqeedah who humbled the defunct Bashar regime despite the support it received from America and its allies. It is the strength of conviction and aqeedah that has firmed the men of Islam in ash-Sham. It is worth remembering that all the elements of strength are present. What is needed is political will and a resolute decision that fears the blame of no one before Allah ﷻ.

**Ninthly:** The identity of our revolution, and the demand of our Ummah, is Islam, and nothing else. This truth will not be altered by the shameful shift towards calls for nationalism, secularism, and Western democracy, which separate Deen from life and the state.

**Tenthly:** The heart of the revolution is the salt of the earth. It is the one that has stood firm, strengthened, and confirmed itself. It is the one whose men's heroism reminds us of the epics of the conquerors. It is the natural and authentic support, after the grace and assistance of Allah ﷻ. Therefore, it is impermissible to disown it and rely on the illusion of international support and conspiring nations.

**Eleventhly:** The aggression and tyranny of the Jewish entity will not be stopped by policies of appeasement, flattery, or complaints to the United Nations and the international community, which are all complicit in our humiliation. This Jewish entity, which occupied our land, martyred our people, violated our sanctities, and waged war against our Deen, understands only one language and one radical solution, the truthful words of which are inscribed in Surah Al-Isra, a promise that is to be fulfilled.

**Twelfthly:** The impact of the revolution, its chants, slogans, and principles, and the overthrow of the defunct Bashar regime — despite the support of all the world’s evildoers — has reached every corner of the Muslim World, by the grace of Allah ﷻ. The entire Ummah is restless, yearning for a transformative earthquake through which Allah ﷻ will heal hearts and establish His Deen on earth through a state that will unite the scattered Muslims, and bring them together under the banner of a single Imam who will once again address the heavens.

The celebrations commemorating liberation, with their fervor, chants, and messages both domestically and internationally, affirm the vitality of this Ummah, the resolve of its people, and the rising level of awareness within it. This awareness is accumulating, enthusiasm is growing, and clouds are gathering before the rain, by the Permission of Allah ﷻ. It is a pulse too strong to be suppressed, distorted, or misled; a voice whose time has come to be heard, and a reality whose time has come to be. For the sun can never be hidden by a sieve.

In conclusion, it is the Way of Allah ﷻ on earth to sift, purify, and test. He, the Exalted, says, ﴿عَسَىٰ رَبُّكُمْ أَن يُهْلِكَ عَدُوَّكُمْ وَيَسْتَخْلِفَكُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ فَيَنْظُرَ كَيْفَ تَعْمَلُونَ﴾ “Perhaps your Lord will destroy your

**enemy and make you successors in authority in the land, so that He may see how you act.”** [TMQ Surah al-Araaf 129] Therefore, our gratitude to Allah for the blessing of liberation must be practical, through implementing His Shariah Law and establishing His Deen, lest we become, may Allah ﷻ forbid, like those who unravel their yarn, after it has been spun strong!

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# **The Dayton Authority Continues Its Aggression Against Hizb ut-Tahrir**

A press release from the Media Office of Hizb ut-Tahrir in the Blessed Land of Palestine stated that the Palestinian Authority (PA), subservient to the Jews, arrested student Saif Abu al-Hawa as he left Bethlehem University on Tuesday, December 9, 2025. Using treacherous thugs and then a force from the PA security apparatus, in a scene that reflects the PA's thuggery and intimidation tactics against the Palestinian people, they are deterred by neither Deen nor law, nor even the sanctity of the university from which Saif emerged. He was then brought before the court on Thursday, where the judge extended his detention for fifteen days, despite him not having committed any crime. His only offense was stating a Hukm Shari' that Muslims are not permitted to participate in Christian holiday celebrations!

The press release asked: What crime has this committed that has caused such an uproar from the Palestinian Authority? Did Saif sell out Palestine as the PLO did? Did Saif engage in security coordination with the Jews, killing and murdering the people of Palestine for their sake, as the Palestinian Authority security forces did? Did Saif betray land to the Jews, as the corrupt officials of the PA did? Did Saif deny the stipends allocated to the families of martyrs and prisoners, or insult and curse the resistance fighters, as the head of the PA did? Did Saif allow women's organizations in our country to attack our Deen and values and criticize Islamic rulings? Did Saif include feminists in drafting the interim constitution to appease the West and the East? And so on and so forth...? Who should be arrested? Who should be brought to justice?

The press release added: If only the Palestinian Authority and its security apparatus had shown such zeal when the Jews desecrated Al-Aqsa Mosque day and night—desecration that didn't even prompt the PA to halt its coordination with the Jews. If only the PA had shown such zeal when the Ibrahimi Mosque was being converted into a synagogue. If only the Authority had shown such zeal when the people of Gaza were being brutalized by the Jews day and night. If only the PA had shown such zeal when refugee camps in the West Bank were being destroyed and their inhabitants expelled right under the noses of the PA and its security forces. If only the PA's security forces had shown such zeal when settlers were attacking villages and cities: Killing people, uprooting trees, slaughtering livestock, and scorching the green earth. All of this was met with a silence akin to that of the grave, save for condemnation or calls for resistance—calls the PA seems utterly clueless about. What kind of "lions" are you when it comes to the people of Palestine and its youth, unjustly attacking them? And what kind of sheep are you when it comes to protecting the people of Palestine, its women, and its children?!

The press release emphasized: While the kidnapping of Saif in front of Bethlehem University is a crime for which the Palestinian Authority, its security apparatus, thugs, and henchmen bear responsibility, this does not absolve the university of its responsibility, as one of its students was abducted right on its threshold. The university has a responsibility to defend him and stand up to the PA, which is encroaching upon the rights of the people of Palestine and their universities. It is unacceptable for the university to remain silent, thus fostering a climate of aggression against university students.

The press release concluded: An authority that has nothing left to offer the Jews, who trample its dignity back and forth, and which is shrouded in humiliation until it is completely covered, and is drowning in subservience to the Jews and the West up to its ears, would be better off, along with its security apparatus and its henchmen, if it would simply lift its hands from the people of Palestine and the dawah carriers there. For those whose connection is to the rope of Allah are not equal to those whose ties are bound by the approval of the kaffir (disbeliever) and are about to sever them, only to be held severely accountable by the Ummah in this world, and then returned to their Lord to suffer a terrible punishment.

# **Sudanese Security Forces Arrest Five Members of Hizb ut-Tahrir**

A force from the Sudanese security services arrested five members of Hizb ut-Tahrir in the city of Al-Shawwak: Othman Al-Amin Kanda, Hassan Al-Amin Kanda, Muhammad Thamin Adam, Ahmed Babiker, and Al-Amin Abdullah. This followed a demonstration held by Hizb ut-Tahrir/Wilayah Sudan in front of the old masjid in Al-Shawwak. Sheikh Othman Al-Amin Kanda, a member of Hizb ut-Tahrir, addressed the attendees, including prominent figures from the area and members of the public. In his speech, he explained the dangers of the American plan to dismember Sudan by separating Darfur, emphasizing the Shariah responsibility that makes the unity of the Ummah and the state a vital issue. Several prominent figures also spoke, affirming their support for the Hizb in preventing the secession plan.

The official spokesperson for Hizb ut-Tahrir in Wilayah Sudan, Ustadh Ibrahim Othman (Abu Khalil), stated, "This behavior by the security services confirms that the government is proceeding with the American plan to dismember Sudan by separating Darfur, after having separated South Sudan using the same methods currently being employed. Otherwise, how can one justify arresting those who call for preserving the unity of the country and preventing its fragmentation?" He said, "We in Hizb ut-Tahrir/Wilayah Sudan say to the authorities and their security apparatus that arrest and silencing will not deter us from speaking the truth and acting upon it, even if the price is our lives and blood. But we say to them: Fear Allah ﷻ regarding the Ummah, fear Allah ﷻ regarding the campaign of Da'wah, and know that you cannot escape Allah ﷻ."

# **Dawah Carriers Caught Between Egyptian President Sisi's Grip and the Demands of Islamic Shariah Law**

(Translated)

**By: Ustadh Saeed Fadl\***

The Egyptian scene recently witnessed the announcement of a two-year training program at the Military Academy, aimed at Dawah carriers and religious preachers from the Ministry of Religious Endowments who hold doctoral degrees. The program was presented in the media as a qualitative leap in “renewing religious discourse” and promoting “enlightened thought.” During his meeting with these preachers, the Egyptian president made statements emphasizing that preachers are “not only guardians of religion, but also guardians of freedom,” and that individuals possess “freedom of choice in belief.”

These statements are not mere passing remarks. Instead, they carry profound political and intellectual implications. They align with a clear path the state has adopted for years in dealing with Deen, controlling discourse about the Deen, and reshaping general awareness according to its vision, in accordance with Western standards regarding so-called “religious freedoms,” which are considered one of the most important political and diplomatic conditions in relations with the West.

## **Why the Military Academy?**

The requirement for preachers to undergo a two-year training course within a military institution, rather than at a university or religious institute, sends a clear message: the state no longer



views preachers as ulema conveying Islamic Shariah rulings, but rather as employed personnel whose loyalty and discourse are being reshaped to serve the regime's strategy. This is evident in several ways:

1. Militarizing religious discourse by integrating preachers into a military system of a disciplinary nature, in order to reshape their personalities on the basis of obedience and submission, neutralizing their original preaching role and turning them into tools of societal control, and forming preachers who do not act according to Shariah texts, but according to state policies.
2. The dedication of the authoritarian reference instead of the Shariah reference in a study that extends for two years, under the supervision of non-Shariah bodies, means that the approved reference for the preacher is no longer the Shariah, but the governing regime. All this is consistent with the philosophy of the authority that deals with religion as a cultural component that must be domesticated, not a comprehensive divine system that is binding on both the ruler and the ruled.
3. By engineering a new religious awareness through curricula described as “advanced to doctoral level,” the regime attempts to lend an academic aura to this project, while its true aim is to give rise to a generation of preachers who disseminate a toothless religious discourse. This discourse presents concepts that are compatible with, and aligned with, secularism, offering Shariah justifications for the existing reality and state policies, and models of political obedience cloaked in language of the Deen. In this way, the preacher’s role is transformed from conveying the truth to protecting the official narrative.

## **Is Freedom of Belief Part of Islam?**

In his speech, the president emphasized that humans possess “freedom of choice in belief,” and that preachers must promote this idea as a supreme human value. However, a distinction must be made, from a Shariah perspective, between two realities:

1. Free will to choose between Iman and disbelief, meaning that Allah ﷻ does not compel people to believe, ﴿لَا إِكْرَاهَ فِي الدِّينِ﴾ **“There is no compulsion in religion,”** [TMQ Surah al-Baqarah: 256], ﴿فَمَنْ شَاءَ فَلْيُؤْمِنْ وَمَنْ شَاءَ فَلْيُكْفُرْ﴾ **“So whoever wills - let him believe; and whoever wills - let him disbelieve”** [TMQ Surah al-Kahf 29]. These Quran verses address the initial free will in choosing, not the Shariah permissibility of the choice of kufr. A person has the ability to choose disbelief, but it is not permissible for them to choose it in Shariah. Remaining upon disbelief is a sinful disobedience of Allah ﷻ, and choosing disbelief is also a sin, even whilst compelling a non-Muslim to believe in Islam is forbidden.

2. The Islamic Shariah ruling governance that governs Muslim society: Islam has provided clear Shariah rulings prohibiting transgressions against the Ummah’s aqeedah, forbidding the promotion of disbelief within Islamic Ummah, and prohibiting apostasy or the dissemination of any ideas that undermine the aqeedah. Protecting the Deen is obligatory, as it is a fundamental principle. While individuals possess the ability to choose in reality, they do not possess the Shariah legitimacy to choose in matters of governance. Discourse that promotes freedom of belief as an absolute value is inherently secular and contradicts Islam and the role of the bearer of the risaalah message, which is to convey, clarify, and refute falsehoods, not to market the idea that Iman is merely a personal choice open to negotiation. Thus, it becomes

clear that the regime is attempting to reinterpret Shariah texts to conform to Western standards, not to Islamic Shariah rulings.

### **Why is President Sisi Focusing on Freedom of Belief in the Eyes of the West?**

Over the past decade, the reformation of religious discourse has become one of the issues Arab regimes present to the West, with the aim of:

1. Gaining international legitimacy. The West adopts a policy of linking political and economic cooperation to the issue of religious freedoms, state control over religious discourse, and combating what is called “intellectual extremism.” Therefore, the regime presents itself to the West as the most daring in subjugating religious institutions, capable of reshaping Islam in line with Western values, and the actor that presents itself as a cultural shield against the “Islamic threat,” and the spearhead that the West directs against the Ummah in its conflict with Islam.
2. Sending a message: “We are the safe alternative.”<sup>2</sup> When Sisi says that preachers are “guardians of freedom, not just of religion,” he is addressing the West more than the domestic audience, telling them, “We are capable of presenting a new, non-confrontational, disciplined, apolitical Islam that serves the stability you desire.”
3. Using the issue of Deen as a tool for domestic and foreign pressure. Domestically, religious discourse is monopolized by the Ministries of Religious Endowments and Al-Azhar to ensure that no discourse emerges that might displease the state. Abroad, the same discourse is used to demonstrate “progress” on issues deemed sensitive by the West, thus facilitating the acquisition of political and financial support.

## **What is the Correct Perspective Regarding Attempts to Reshape the Deen to Serve the Ruling Power?**

Altering the Shariah rulings of Islam is one of the greatest forms of deviation. Making the state the arbiter of Shariah texts is an infringement upon the exclusive right of Allah ﷻ to legislate, and directing imams to serve the ruling power is a departure from the Shariah obligation of conveying the risaalah message and commanding the right (amr bil ma'roof).

The role of the carrier of the Dawah to Islam is to speak the truth, however much it may contradict the ruling power, to confront injustice, not to justify it, to preserve the aqeedah, not to reshape or engineer it according to the Western vision, and to spread Islam as it is, not as the ruler or the West desires. However, an imam or carrier of Dawah to Islam who is molded in a tightly controlled political environment, that imposes pre-packaged concepts upon him, loses his most important characteristic: Shariah-based independence.

The training program at the military academy, and the accompanying statements about “freedom of choice in faith,” are not an innocent academic endeavor, nor a reformist step in the field of Islamic Dawah, as is being promoted. Instead, they are part of a comprehensive project to reshape the structure of the awareness of Deen in Egypt, transforming it into a calculated secular discourse, used domestically to control society, and externally to gain the favor of Western powers. This path clearly clashes with the Shariah rulings of Islam and the very nature of the Shariah Address (Khitaab), which rejects adapting to authority, or assimilating into a political system that does not govern by Islam. Hence the necessity for the Islamic Ummah to possess sufficient awareness that Deen is not protected within

barracks, that preachers are not formed by political decrees, and that Islam is not malleable material. Instead, Islam is a revelation to be recited, Shariah rulings to be implemented, and an Umma to be guided to uphold it, not to reshape it to conform to the conditions of donors and the approval of the West!

**O Ulema of Egypt, al-Kinanaḥ:** You have been entrusted with a covenant to clarify the truth and not conceal it, to be a voice of truth, not a tool for justification. Do not let the pressure of authority, the fear of oppression, or the pursuit of position, lead you to distort the Shariah rulings of the Deen, or to cloak falsehood in the guise of truth. Your silence is the first step towards the collapse of the Islamic Ummah, whilst your voice is the first gateway to its victory. Be as the sincere ulema throughout history have been: standing for Allah ﷻ, not for the ruler; speaking the truth without fear of reproach. They protect the aqeedah from distortion and lead the Ummah to glory, not subservience.

**O people of Egypt, Al-Kinanaḥ:** Hold fast to your Deen, remain steadfast on the truth, and do not allow anyone to usurp your minds, empty your Deen of its content, or reduce it to hollow slogans.

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# The Arms Race Between China and the US

(Translation)

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The term “arms race” became widespread during the Cold War era between the Eastern and Western blocs. It can be defined as: “a relationship of competition and hostility existing between two countries or a group of countries, with the aim of increasing the quantity and quality of weapons.”

China was aware of the danger of being drawn into a new arms race and refused to participate. The spokesperson for its Ministry of Defense, Senior Colonel Geng Yansheng, explained that China’s defense spending is reasonable and appropriate, emphasizing that his country does not seek hegemony, and has no intention of ever entering any global arms race.

China also affirmed that it will not pursue a nuclear arms race and opposes the deployment of US offensive missiles in Asia, according to the latest white paper issued by Beijing on nuclear policy. The document, titled “China’s Arms Control, Disarmament, and Nonproliferation in the New Era,” includes an update to the previous version issued in 2005.

Beijing stated in its paper that “Keeping China’s nuclear capabilities at the minimum level required for national security. China has always exercised the utmost restraint regarding the scale and development of its nuclear weapons. It never has and never will engage in any nuclear arms race with any other country in terms of level of expenditure, quantity, or scale of nuclear weapons,” reaffirming its no-first-use nuclear policy and its commitment to unconditionally refrain from using nuclear

weapons against non-nuclear states or in nuclear-weapon-free zones. It added that China has developed missiles and missile defense systems for its own protection, noting that these capabilities are intended to safeguard sovereignty, maintain security, and deter war, and are not directed against any other country or region, given its vast size and complex security environment.

The United States has sought to draw China into a new arms race, as it did previously with the Soviet Union, and has taken several measures to achieve this.

**1. Exaggerating the Chinese threat:** The US claims that China possesses more than 1,500 nuclear warheads, and in 2021 asserted that this number would reach 3,000 by 2035. To further fuel fears, the US claims that China has ballistic missiles with a range of up to 12,000 kilometers and that, starting in 2025, it will produce a giant flying wing, a tailless fixed-wing aircraft, as a bomber, designated as Xi'an H-20, capable of outperforming the American B-52 bomber.

**2. Encouraging Asian Allies to Arm Themselves:** The United States has worked to encourage Asian countries, especially its allies and partners, to strengthen their military forces and enhance their long-range strike capabilities. This is achieved through:

- **Missile Development and Increased Military Spending:** This occurred after the removal of all constitutional and legal restrictions that previously prevented this trend, as was the case with Japan. On August 29, 2022, the Japanese Ministry of Defense issued its budget request for fiscal year 2023, seeking a record figure of approximately \$40 billion, in addition to unspecified amounts for various systems, including long-range missiles capable of attacking land targets. The ministry also plans

to develop drones for surveillance and attack, and Japan will build ships equipped with ballistic missile defense systems.

- **Arms Purchases and Deals:** This is evident in the US nuclear submarine deal with Australia. An Australian defense official stated that Australia's nuclear-powered submarine program, in cooperation with the US and the UK, will cost up to \$245 billion over the next 30 years, making it the largest defense program in Australian history. Similar measures were also taken with South Korea, the Philippines and Taiwan, and America also embarked on strengthening India and bringing it into the containment policy.

**3. Forcing China to Change:** These measures have forced China into an arms race against its will, preventing it from maintaining its policy of non-intervention.

- CNN reported that satellite imagery shows signs that more than 60% of the 136 facilities associated with missile production, or the Chinese military's missile force, which controls China's nuclear arsenal, have been expanded. The network stated that these sites, which house companies, research centers, and testing facilities, expanded by more than two million square meters of built-up area between the beginning of 2020 and the end of 2025, noting the emergence of new towers, bunkers, and barriers at these growing locations.

- In remarks on 9 June 2025, Chinese Vice Foreign Minister Sun Weidong indicates the threat that the United States poses, saying, "at present, the biggest security challenge in the South China Sea comes from outside the region," explaining that its military buildup in the region is drawing it into "the whirlpool of an arms race." Sun Weidong said that America's move to deploy intermediate-range missile systems there "is dragging the region



into the whirlpool of an arms race, placing the entire Asia-Pacific region under the shadow of geopolitical conflicts.”

America’s arms race aims to achieve two main objectives:

**Firstly:** Depleting economic capabilities: The immediate goal is to drain China’s economic resources and draw it into proxy wars, such as space wars.

Military spending figures reveal the enormous gap that China must overcome:

Country: USA; Estimated defense spending for 2024: US\$997 billion; Percentage of the global total: Approximately 37%.

Country: China; Estimated defense spending for 2024: US\$313 billion; which is only a 6% increase over the previous year.

This massive spending reflects America’s commitment to maintaining its military dominance. In this charged atmosphere, China will dedicate significant resources and squander considerable wealth on armaments, engaging in a frantic arms race to achieve its security goals, at the expense of its economic strength and prosperity. This race will consume economic savings and achievements, and preoccupy China with developing weapons that will not be used, as is the case with nuclear weapons.

**Secondly:** Securing its interests through neighboring countries: America has succeeded, through its policy of exaggerating China’s capabilities, in instilling fear in all its neighbors, who are now vying to conclude mutual defense agreements with America and purchase more American weapons.

In conclusion: America, especially under Trump, has made China an enemy and demonized it in order to achieve its objectives

related to the “leading from behind” policy. This involves strengthening the enemy's adversaries and pushing them to increase military spending and build up their capabilities, or to purchase those weapons and conclude defense agreements with them. This ensures that neighboring countries will contain China and preoccupy it with regional problems and conflicts, allowing allied countries to achieve America’s interests without direct intervention in the war and the depletion of their own resources.

# **The Rwanda-Congo Conflict and Trump's Plan to Resolve It**

(Translated)

**By: Ustadh Nabil Abdul Karim**

The Great Lakes region of Africa is experiencing one of the world's most complex conflicts, with tensions between Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of Congo resurfacing whenever old ethnic, political, and economic crises accumulate. This conflict historically dates back to the 1994 genocide, the rise of armed militias, and the competition among regional powers for vast mineral resources. Amidst escalating violence in 2025, the United States intervened with an initiative described as potentially changing the course of the crisis.

Let us take a quick look at the roots of the conflict and the intertwining of interests, including American interests, between the possibilities of peace or renewed conflict.

The turning point was the Rwandan genocide in 1994, when hundreds of thousands of Hutu fled to eastern Congo. This massive displacement ignited significant tensions between the displaced and their adversaries, such as the Rwandan rebel forces in Congo, the Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Rwanda (French: Forces démocratiques de libération du Rwanda (FDLR)). The most important causes of this massacre were:

- The colonialist legacy: Belgium colonialized Rwanda since 1916, and the colonialist power sowed ethnic division, considering the Tutsi a superior race, and granting them weapons, power, and education, while marginalizing the Hutu.

- Political and social discrimination against the Hutu, and then the Tutsi: In 1962, upon Rwanda's "independence," power shifted to the Hutu, leading to violent clashes against the Tutsi, causing thousands to flee to Uganda, Burundi, and Congo. In the late 1980s, the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) was formed, and in 1990, it launched an attack on the Hutu government. The ruling regime exploited this attack to generate an atmosphere of ethnic hostility. On April 6, 1994, the plane carrying President Habyarimana was shot down, and the RPF in particular, and Tutsi extremists in general, were blamed without evidence.

With the state weakened and the international order failing to intervene, and refusing to label what was happening as genocide until it was too late, the Tutsis and moderate Hutus were left to their fate, at the hands of a killing machine that resulted in the deaths of approximately 800,000 people in 100 days.

The massacre ended with the advance of the Rwandan Patriotic Front forces (RPF), their entry into the capital, the fall of the government that had orchestrated the genocide, and the escape of thousands of perpetrators, including politicians. At this point, the United Nations intervened, as usual, to capitalize on the situation rather than to end the massacres.

The state-building phase began from 1994 to 2000 under the control of the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) led by Paul Kagame. A national unity government was formed, and hundreds of thousands of Rwandan refugees, both Hutu and Tutsi, returned from Uganda, Burundi, and Tanzania. Those involved in the genocide were prosecuted, and the armed Hutu militias were dismantled, with most of their members fleeing to Congo, formerly Zaire. This led to Rwanda's involvement in the First

Congolese War in 1996 and the Second Congolese War in 1998. In 2000, Paul Kagame officially became the president of Rwanda.

From 2010 to 2022, Rwanda's influence expanded into eastern Congo, and its relationship with armed groups in Congo became very significant. Rwanda was consistently accused of providing unlimited support to these groups, such as the March 23 Movement (M23), an armed group that competes with Hutu militias in Congo. This intervention was primarily aimed at preventing the return of Hutu militias, and also because eastern Congo is very rich in gold, coltan, tin, and other essential materials for the electronics industry.

During this period, Rwanda became one of the most economically rising countries in Africa, while maintaining an authoritarian regime. The constitution was amended to allow Kagame to remain in power until 2034, and he engaged in the assassination of his political opponents.

At the beginning of 2022, armed groups, particularly the M23, seized control of important mining areas such as the Rubaya region, giving the movement a steady income from mining taxes. They subsequently seized control of major cities in eastern Congo, including Goma and Bukavu. This led to international condemnation, with accusations that Rwanda was funding the M23 with weapons and soldiers, accusations that Rwanda officially denied. This is where Trump's initiative of June 27, 2025, comes in. Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of Congo signed a peace agreement under US auspices, known as the Washington Agreements. Trump invited the leaders of both countries to Washington to solidify the agreement and give it historical significance. The terms of this agreement stipulated, the withdrawal of Rwandan forces from eastern Congo within 90

days, the establishment of a framework for economic integration between the two countries, the creation of a joint security mechanism to coordinate security matters, control weapons, and disband the unofficial M23 and FDLR militias, and the entry of private international, specifically American, investments into the Congolese mining sector. This last point was Trump's primary objective in this rapprochement: to gain control of the mining sector as a means of reducing US dependence on China for strategic minerals.

According to Trump's statements, on 4 December, and his description of the agreement as historic, it ends one of the world's longest-running conflicts. He said, "It is an amazing day: great day for Africa, great day for the world and for these two countries... Today, we're succeeding where so many others have failed." He also said, "For more than 30 years, one of the worst conflicts on Earth has been raging in eastern Congo."

Will this agreement last and bring about peace? Or is it the beginning of a renewed escalation of the conflict?

It could be an opportunity for peace, supported by the fact that the US has a vested interest in achieving peace, to secure its control over the minerals, and also because the people are weary of the consequences of this war.

However, several factors threaten to reignite the conflict, including:

- The March 23 Movement (M23) movement remains active in eastern Congo, and is accused of receiving support from Rwanda.
- The real motives are not peace itself, but, instead, natural resources and Rare Earth Elements, and opening the door exclusively to American companies.

- Disbanding the militias is an easy condition on paper, but very difficult in reality.
- To this day, we still hear about clashes and attacks in eastern Congo.
- Some local communities in Congo believe that peace has been imposed on them from the outside, and that the problem has not been resolved at its roots. The underlying ethnic tensions remain, and they are neither heard nor seen until ethnic crises erupt.

The rise of Rwanda as a small regional power is significant; today, it plays a pivotal role in Central Africa, similar to the role of Jewish entity in separating the continents. It possesses a well-organized army and is heavily involved in Mozambique, the Central African Republic, and the Democratic Republic of Congo, enjoying strong American support. Rwanda is being positioned to play a role far exceeding its geographical and demographic size. Through Rwanda, the US will maintain its geo-economic security and facilitate the entry of major American corporations. This American presence will be legitimized through international agreements. The US will ensure that the Congo remains a weak giant, perpetually dependent on its support, allowing for the exploitation of its resources and preventing China, or any other power, from accessing Congo's vast mineral wealth and other resources. Stability will be determined by the success of the American equation: controlled peace + American investment + Rwandan influence = stability.

The peace agreement that has been reached may endure, but it is by no means guaranteed. The conflict between the two countries is not merely a fleeting border dispute, but, instead, the culmination of decades of ethnic tensions, regional interventions, and a struggle for control over resources that are now considered

among the most valuable, even a national asset: Rare Earth Elements. True success depends on the ability of the parties to translate political commitments into tangible realities on the ground. This is where the dilemma lies, because the solution did not address the root causes of the conflict, but, instead, served immediate interests.

This leaves the question: Will Rwanda and the Congo be able to transform this American-brokered peace into a sustainable path, or will the agreements remain mere words on paper, a temporary truce in a potentially long-lasting war?



# **Hizb ut-Tahrir/Wilayah Lebanon Visits MP Ibrahim Mneimneh**

A delegation from Hizb ut-Tahrir/Wilayah Lebanon, including Dr. Muhammad Jaber, Head of the Central Contact Committee of Hizb ut-Tahrir in Wilayah Lebanon, and Engineer Saleh Salam, a member of the committee, visited Beirut MP Ibrahim Mneimneh on Tuesday, December 16, 2025.

The delegation began by introducing the Hizb, its ideology, and its distinctiveness from other parties, emphasizing its principles and its rejection of sectarianism, nationalism, and tribalism.

The delegation then presented the Hizb's vision for a radical solution for Lebanon, which lies in returning to its original status as part of ash-Sham, rejecting illegitimate, non-Shariah and ineffective solutions that prolong and deepen the crisis rather than resolve it.

The delegation also addressed the problems of the region and the Lebanese rulers' persistent efforts to pursue actions that would lead to official recognition of the Jewish entity and the establishment of economic relations with it.

The delegation stressed the necessity for all sincere MPs and politicians to publicly oppose this project, at least through their stance and words.

At the end of the meeting, both parties agreed to meet again in the future to continue discussing current developments.

# Kuwaiti Court Sentences a Young Man to Five Years in Prison for Joining Hizb ut-Tahrir

(Al-Rai Daily, Kuwait, Wednesday, 26 Jumada al-Thani 1447 AH, 17/12/2025 CE) “The Criminal Court, presided over by Judge Dr. Khaled Al-Amira, sentenced a citizen to five years in prison for joining, financing, and supporting Hizb ut-Tahrir, a terrorist group. The Public Prosecution accused the defendant of joining and inciting others to join a banned group on social media whose purpose was to spread principles aimed at overthrowing political regimes through illegitimate means. Specifically, he joined the banned Hizb ut-Tahrir organization, which aims to establish a righteous caliphate, and called for others to join it by promoting the group's ideas on the social media platform "X," accessible to all, through the posts detailed in the case file.”

**Al-Rayah Newspaper:** Has working to resume the Islamic life by establishing a Second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood become terrorism in the eyes of tyrannical rulers?! Has working to restore the Islamic Ummah to its rightful place among the nations of the earth, and to return to being the best Ummah brought forth for mankind, as Allah ﷻ says, **﴿كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ﴾** “**You are the best Ummah produced for mankind. You enjoin what is right and forbid what is evil and believe in Allah,**” [TMQ Surah aali Imran: 110] become terrorism in the eyes of oppressive states?! Shouldn't it have been more appropriate, indeed obligatory, for those regimes and their henchmen to honor these men who dedicate their lives and work tirelessly, sacrificing themselves and all that is precious to liberate

their Ummah from the shackles of subservience to the kafir, colonialist West, and to bring about its true revival (nahdah) based on the Book of Allah ﷻ and the Sunnah of His Messenger ﷺ?!

# Where Do You Stand, Royal Jordanian Air Force Personnel, While the Jews Are Doing This to Your Brothers?!

(Translated)

Jordanian television reported on Saturday 20 December that the Royal Jordanian Air Force participated in the American strikes on ISIS targets in Syria last night.

Jordanian television stated that “Jordanian participation comes within the framework of the War on Terror and preventing extremist organizations from exploiting these areas as launching pads to threaten the security of Syria’s neighbors and the region, especially after ISIS has regenerated itself and rebuilt its capabilities in Syria.” (Al Jazeera Net, Saturday, 29 Jumada al-Thani 1447 AH, 20/12/2025).

**Ar-Rayah Newspaper:** The question that forcefully imposes itself on the listener and reader of this news is: Aren’t the Jews who occupied Palestine, martyred its people, displaced them from their land and country, and established their illegitimate entity upon it, terrorists?! The Jews who utterly destroyed the Gaza Strip and committed genocide against its people, resulting in the martyrdom and injury of nearly 200,000, and who continue to perpetrate massacres there despite the ceasefire agreement — are they not terrorists?! The Jews who are rampaging through the cities and villages of the West Bank, killing, arresting, and destroying homes — are they not terrorists?! Where is the Royal Jordanian Air Force in all of this? Why hasn’t it struck them, and come to the aid of those oppressed people, whose voices have grown hoarse, and whose hearts have broken, as they plead for

its help?! Or is its role, and the role of its king, merely to throw them a few crumbs with the Jews' permission?!

And isn't this America, with whom it is participating in the strikes against ISIS, the very head of disbelief and criminality, waging war against Islam and Muslims, supplying the Jewish entity with money and weapons, and supporting it politically, economically, and through the media, to kill Muslims in Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Syria, Iran, and Yemen?! So, what is the matter with you, O Jordanian army and air force, how do you judge affairs?!

# The Colonialist West and the Rulers of Muslims are Two Jaws of the Same Pincer Movement

(Translated)

By: Sheikh Adnan Mazyan\*

The state is the executive body for the collection of values, standards, and concepts of life chosen by a people or an ummah. Therefore, it is expected that the state must be of the same nature as the ummah, and chosen by it, and that it must fulfill its designated role, which is to implement the necessary tasks of governance in a way that leads to the realization of the way of life chosen by the governed. It is also expected to ensure their protection, and the protection of their way of life, and to prevent any disruption that threatens their existence or interests — interests determined by the standards of their civilization.

However, for decades, the Ummah has lived under oppressive and criminal rule, where the ruling state has no connection to its civilization, its standards, or its interests. Instead, it is a reflection of the interests of the disbelieving, colonialist West, and at times of the atheistic, despotic East. It has even been said of our rulers that they are mere watchmen for colonialism, installed over us to implement its plans, and achieve its immediate and strategic interests by undertaking the following:

**Firstly:** Ensuring that the Ummah does not return to its civilization, its divine Shariah Law, and its unified state, because this threatens Western interests and indeed its entire civilization. This is achieved by suppressing those who make Dawah for the return of Islam to governance, and the establishment of a unified

Islamic state, discrediting them to alienate the people from them, and restricting their activities.

Sometimes, this is done by deceiving the masses with the idea that implementing Shariah is impossible, given the country's current state of weakness, or by using the pretext of cultural, ethnic, and religious differences within society, which they claim prevent the implementation of Islam, and necessitate the application of secularism and man-made laws, aligned with Western concepts. Occasionally, they impose martial law, which is nothing more than the ruler's whims and desires, ensuring his continued dominance.

Under this heading, falls the deception of gradualism and phased implementation, which is instilled in the non-ideological opposition to complete the cycle of emotionally dispositional and intellectual manipulation of the masses. This keeps them trapped in the corrupt reality out of fear of repression, despair of change, or waiting for a vague change that the supposed gradualism might one day bring!

**Secondly:** our rulers protect Western material and military interests in our countries from being harmed by our people, ensuring the plundering of our resources and the occupation of our lands by our enemies, with minimal losses. Our states, and their rulers, are keen to ensure our defeat in any conflict with the West imposed upon us, through covert collusion, deception, and blatant audacity, all under the guise of military and security alliances or the War on Terror.

Therefore, the role of security and military apparatuses in Muslim countries is no longer to protect the land and its people, nor to safeguard Islamic values, standards, and civilization, from harm. Instead, their focus has shifted to eradicating any threat to

Western interests, and suppressing any glimmer of hope, that might jeopardize the stability of their guardians in power, all under the pretext of preserving the security and stability of the Ummah! Despite this, the colonialist powers, led by America, no longer trust the effectiveness and competence of the rulers in securing their interests, and consolidating their occupation, so they decided to re-invade our country militarily, with dozens of military bases and war airports, that have been sitting on our chests for some time now.

**Thirdly:** The attempt to dismantle Islamic civilization within the hearts of the Islamic Ummah and implant Western civilization and its values in the lives of Muslims is not aimed at reviving our world according to the Western vision of progress. Instead, it is aimed at ensuring the intellectual subservience of the people, paralleling the political subservience of their rulers. Rulers, their media, and hired intellectuals relentlessly carry out this despicable role, casting doubt on the Noble Quran, the Prophetic Sunnah, and Islamic Shariah Law, as well as on the ulema, past and present, who uphold them. They glorify the filth of Western thought, its philosophers, and those among our own people who have been influenced by it, all with the goal of altering the intellectual standards and stances of the people, destroying role models, and dismantling the intellectual and civilizational foundations of Muslims.

Despite their continued failure in this endeavor, they persist in repeating the attempt, hoping to achieve, even if only in stages, what they can: weakening Muslims' confidence in the established principles of their Islamic civilization throughout its history, and subjecting its certainties to debate and its established foundations to doubt. The decline that the Ummah is witnessing



today on all levels is not due to the Ummah's weakness in terms of civilization, numbers, or equipment, but, instead, it is due to the fact that it is caught between the jaws of a vice that stifles its movement and prevents it from progressing, and even threatens further regression.

The Islamic Ummah is a giant in the civilization it embodies; it is an Ummah of truth and righteousness, the best Ummah brought forth for mankind, with its project of tawhid (monotheism), guidance, justice, and mercy. It is a giant in the number of its people and the vigor of its youthful societies. It is the largest and most homogeneous Ummah in the civilizational, intellectual, and political sense. All ethnic, regional, and linguistic differences dissolve before the all-encompassing unity of Islamic brotherhood, a unity unmatched by any other human community. This is especially true since most nations unite on interests, not values; on territory and borders, not on a shared vision; and on mere material urbanity, not conceptualized civilization.

Furthermore, the intellectual and emotionally dispositional strength of Islam is capable of propelling the Ummah to the forefront of the world in record time, as soon as it is liberated from its political constraints and returns to the pure and pristine practice of its Deen. The fear of Allah ﷻ and the yearning for His Paradise are the greatest motivators for sincere work in building the Ummah, advancing it rapidly, and defending it with unwavering dedication. The spirit of martyrdom is unique to Muslims, and no other peoples receive congratulations and blessings upon the martyrdom of their sons, nor do the survivors envy the martyrs, except Muslims. Furthermore, Muslims inhabit the richest regions of the world in terms of water resources, fertile lands, and diverse and precious minerals, and possess the

most important geography in the world. Allah ﷻ bestowed upon them all the means of strength before He created them, and all that is lacking is for them to draw upon the bounty of Allah ﷻ, and Allah ﷻ will increase the blessings of the grateful.

Therefore, the Islamic Ummah must break the jaws of the Western pincers, which protect each other. The West protects our agent rulers, and our rulers protect its interests and implement its plans for its benefit. Once the Ummah breaks its rulers, who are the weaker pincer of the two, it will be liberated from the entire Western pincer movement, by the Permission of Allah ﷻ.

The Ummah must understand that while the price of dignity may seem high, the price of humiliation is far more costly and devastating. It is disgrace in this world and a painful punishment in the Hereafter.

The poet spoke truly when he said, ومن يتهيب صعود الجبال ... يعيش أبد, الدهر بين الحفر “He who fears climbing mountains, lives forever within the pits of the abyss!”

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# **Burhan's Shifting Stances: From Military Mobilization to Peace Through Trump!**

By: Ustadh Abdel Khaliq Abdoun Ali\*

Sudanese Army Chief, Abdel Fattah al-Burhan, stated his readiness to work with US President Donald Trump, while US-led ceasefire negotiations stalled. A statement from the military-affiliated Foreign Ministry indicated that Burhan, at the conclusion of an official visit to Riyadh at the invitation of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, affirmed “Sudan’s commitment to working with President Trump, Secretary of State Marco Rubio, and his Special Envoy for Peace in Sudan, Massad Boulos, in efforts to achieve peace and end the war.” A Sudanese government source explained that Burhan’s official visit to Riyadh aimed to discuss the initiative presented by the Saudi Crown Prince to the US President, during his recent official visit to Washington, to end the war in Sudan.

The US-led peace negotiations, involving the other members of the Quad mediating in Sudan —Egypt, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE — have stalled after Burhan rejected Boulos’s latest ceasefire proposal without explanation.

Before this statement, Burhan had been adamant that nothing less than a decisive victory in this war and the elimination of the last Rapid Support Forces’ (RSF) soldier would satisfy them. Indeed, the government’s stance has shifted dramatically, from talk of military mobilization, eliminating the militias, and liberating all Sudanese territory, to talk of the peace the Sudanese people are waiting for!

Burhan had previously described the Quad as biased, and accused the US envoy of echoing the positions of the UAE, which is accused of arming the Rapid Support Forces. However, the Sudanese political landscape has changed dramatically with Burhan's capitulation, as he announces his readiness to work with US President Trump to end the ongoing war in Sudan!

These shifts in the stances of the Chairman of the Sovereignty Council, Abdel Fattah al-Burhan, are not surprising, as he is following in America's footsteps and implementing its policies. He paved the way for this after President Trump stated during his speech at the US-Saudi Investment Forum that Mohammed bin Salman had requested a solution to the crisis in Sudan, adding that he had begun studying the issue just half an hour after the Crown Prince's explanation! Trump also wrote on his Truth Social website that he would use the influence of the presidency to stop the war immediately!

Burhan responded the following day, welcoming these efforts. In a tweet on the X platform, he wrote, "Thank you, His Royal Highness Prince Mohammed bin Salman, thank you, President Donald Trump." In a press statement on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, which appeared to have been prepared in advance, the Transitional Sovereignty Council stated, "The government welcomes the efforts of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United States of America to establish a just peace in Sudan. It also thanks them for their concern and continued efforts to stop the bloodshed in Sudan and affirms its readiness to engage seriously with them to achieve the peace that the Sudanese people are waiting for..."

It is clear that America wants to reap the fruits of the war it ignited, especially after the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) seized

control of all of Darfur, and still control large parts of Kordofan, ostensibly to protect Darfur's borders. The solution welcomed by the Sovereignty Council, some political forces, and some media outlets is the same solution proposed by the Quad, which equates the army with the RSF. And on this basis, the solution will be implemented! President Trump's advisor, the U.S. Senior Advisor for Arab and African Affairs, Massad Boulos, tweeted, "A key priority is intensifying our joint efforts — both bilaterally and through the Quad — to help bring a peaceful end to Sudan's conflict. We agreed on practical steps toward a humanitarian truce, durable stability, and expanded humanitarian access and assistance for the Sudanese people."

As for why America is accelerating its efforts to end the war in Sudan, it is to preempt European, and especially British, intervention in Sudan. One of the reasons for this disastrous war was to remove Britain and its allies from the scene, by dismantling the so-called Framework Agreement, which it did.

And now America is striving to complete its scheme, and end the war by separating Darfur, just as it separated South Sudan in the name of peace. It wants to repeat the process.

Today, it is using the same tactic — stopping the war and achieving peace — to separate Darfur after empowering its agent, Hemedti, there and turning a blind eye to the formation of a parallel government. Its special envoy, Massoud Boulos, continues to speak of two sides, thus equating the army with the Rapid Support Forces.

O people of Sudan, do not be stung twice by America's treachery! Rise up swiftly and thwart its plan to separate Darfur by returning to the rulings of Islam, as your Lord, Allah ﷻ, has commanded you. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿فَإِنْ تَنَازَعْتُمْ فِي شَيْءٍ فَرُدُّوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ

﴿تُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ﴾ **“If you disagree about something, refer it to Allah and the Messenger, if you truly believe in Allah and the Last Day.”** [TMQ Surah an-Nisaa: 159]. Take action against those who are implementing America’s plans and urge them to adhere firmly to the truth. Work with Hizb ut-Tahrir to establish the Second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood, which will cut off the hands of those who tamper with the unity of our country. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَّهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ﴾ **“O you who have believed, respond to Allah and to the Messenger when he calls you to that which gives you life.”** [TMQ Surah al-Anfal: 24]

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## **A Delegation from Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Sudan Visits the Sheikh of the Sammaniyah Order in the City of Wad Madani**

A delegation from Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Sudan visited the Sheikh of the Sammaniyah Order in Al-Jazirah State yesterday, Saturday, 13/12/2025. The delegation was headed by Ustadh Mahdi Muhajir, a member of Hizb ut Tahrir, accompanied by Ustadh Abdulaziz Ibrahim, a member of Hizb ut Tahrir, and Engineer Walid Kamil.

The delegation explained the purpose of the visit, stating that it comes within the framework of the campaign of Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Sudan to thwart America's plan to separate Darfur.

Sheikh Al-Fatih Abdulrahman Shatout welcomed the delegation and the visit, saying that he knows a great deal about the Hizb, and that Hizb ut Tahrir is the only one that presents clear solutions. He then said that he appreciates the dedication to establishing the Khilafah (Caliphate), and that he is ready for any work undertaken by the Hizb for the sake of preventing the severing of Darfur, and that their mosques welcome the Shabab of the Hizb at any time.

At the conclusion of the visit, the delegation thanked Sheikh Al-Fatih for the warm reception and generous hospitality.

# **It is Time for the Islamic Ummah to Think Outside the Box of Secularism**

(Translated)

It is time for the Islamic Ummah to think outside the box of secularism, to say no to subservience to the disbelieving, colonialist West, no to the restrictions imposed upon us by the West and its agents, and no to decisions imported from the lowly of society. It is time for the Ummah to reclaim its natural role among nations, to assert its leadership upon the entire world, and to revive its dormant awareness so that it may forge its leadership from within, not from without.

A living Ummah does not submit to the decisions of treacherous rulers installed by the West to act as guardians of Western interests. Therefore, it is time for our Ummah to reclaim its stolen glory, the glory of leadership, which is not granted but seized. We need to restore the prestige of those who shaped our history, and to reject the shackles of Western subservience that have been unjustly and aggressively imposed upon us.

For glory is not a slogan, but a covenant awaiting renewal, and leadership is not mere words, but an action forged by nations. This pioneering Hizb ut Tahrir (The Party of Liberation), whose people do not lie to their charge, has dedicated itself to working to restore this stolen glory. So let us board the ship of salvation by which you will restore your dignity by establishing your Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood, so that we will not be subservient to any man.



# **The Ummah's Wealth is Squandered by a Criminal Faction, According to Its Whims and the Interests of its Masters**

The subservience of the Gulf states to the disbelieving, colonialist West has made their economic policies subservient to its dictates, rather than stemming from the Ummah's needs or reflecting its aspirations. Thus, the abundant wealth they possess, which could have built heavy industries, revitalized agriculture, and supported the Ummah's revival (nahdah), has been transformed into tools of appeasement and balancing, in an international game where Muslims have no role but that of passive recipients.

The problem is that this wealth is managed with the mentality of "private property," not with the mentality of "public treasure" belonging to all Muslims. A criminal faction squanders it upon its own pleasures and upon granting it to Western nations, the enemies of Islam and Muslims, which is then used to purchase weapons and aircraft to bomb our lands and kill our children! Therefore, it is time for the Islamic Ummah to regain its awareness and realize that its wealth does not belong to a transient ruler, nor to a faction of thieves living in their ivory towers, far removed from the suffering of the people.

Oil, gas, gold, and all other resources are not tools to be granted to the West, nor are they assets to be squandered in the palaces of rulers and their dealings. Instead, they are the right of the entire Ummah, a trust bestowed by Allah ﷻ upon the Ummah before its rulers. Thus, it is the Shariah obligation upon the people of this Ummah to recognize their strength, break the barrier of fear of their rulers, and understand that revival does

not come from foreign handouts or Western promises. Instead, it comes when they speak out and reclaim their rights. An Ummah that leaves its wealth in the hands of tyrants loses its future, while an Ummah that reclaims its resources regains its glory and standing among nations. This can only be achieved by the return of the Islamic State. So, work diligently with Hizb ut-Tahrir to establish Islam, as a Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood, for your glory and dignity in this world and the hereafter.

## ﴿وَأَخْرِجُوهُمْ مِّنْ حَيْثُ أَخْرَجُوكُمْ﴾ “And Expel Them From Wherever They Expelled You.” [TMQ Surah al-Baqarah: 191]

**O armies of all the lands of Muslims:** Every discerning and insightful person understands that the only way to support Gaza and its people is for you to act to eliminate the occupation by the Jews of that Blessed Land. Allah ﷻ says, ﴿وَأَخْرِجُوهُمْ مِّنْ حَيْثُ أَخْرَجُوكُمْ﴾ “And expel them from wherever they expelled you.” [TMQ Surah al-Baqarah: 191]. Yet your treacherous rulers, agents of colonialism, and your military commands, are seen to be moving step by step towards recognizing the occupying Jewish entity within the framework of what are called the Abraham Accords and other such agreements for which Allah ﷻ has sent down no authority.

This is a betrayal of Islam and the Muslims, a selling out of the first of the two Qiblas and the third of the three Sacred Masajid, and a relinquishment of Islamic land that belongs to the Ummah. It is your Shariah obligation to prevent any political leader or military commander from surrendering even an inch of Islamic Palestinian land to Jews or any other kafir, regardless of the price you may have to pay. It has also become clear that the two-state solution is not only a deception but also a violation of Islamic Shariah Law. The reality is a single Jewish state, while the so-called Palestinian state would be nothing more than a municipality, built on approximately 10% of the land. Even this is rejected by Jewish leaders, who consider it not a state, but a vast prison guarded by Jewish soldiers.