

## Press Release

## By Declaring to Have No Ambition for our Military, the Sold-out Hasina Regime wants to be used as a 'Pawn' for the US

Bangladesh has hosted a two-day '6th Indian Ocean Conference 2023' (IOC) on May 12. The sixth edition of the conference was organized by India Foundation in association with Bangladesh foreign ministry. IOC has strategic significance for India as it is closely connected to India's maritime doctrine in the Indian Ocean region - Security and Growth for All in the Region (SAGAR). But we should bear in mind that this IOC along with India's maritime doctrine is tied with US' "flagship' Indo Pacific Strategy (IPS) policy. And this conference took place at a time when Hasina government has recently announced its 'Indo-Pacific Outlook' officially. US Deputy Assistant Secretary Afrin Akter also arrived in Bangladesh particularly to attend the IOC which was also virtually attended by US Deputy Secretary of State Wendy Sherman (*Source: Dhaka Tribune, 13 May 2023)*. Furthermore, Bangladesh Army Chief General SM Shafiuddin Ahmed left for the United States on an official visit on Sunday at the invitation of the US Army to attend a military conference, known as Land Forces Pacific Conference (LANPAC), a US Army-backed forum to bolster US Indo-Pacific policy. Agent of UK treacherous Hasina is deceiving the people by giving bold statement against US, while behind the door she is bargaining with US to remain in power.

**O People**, Bangladesh is increasingly overwhelmed by US hegemony, and the sold-out Hasina regime is trying to protect its throne by surrendering our sovereignty to the colonialist US. When we are being treacherously dragged into US geopolitical maneuvers, Bangladesh's State minister for foreign affairs Md Shahriar Alam said before the IOC that Bangladesh has no military ambitions nor aspires to emerge as a regional power. What a shame that the Foreign Minister's statement goes against the military doctrine of our courageous Muslim army! His government does not want us to have military ambition, but wants to keep our army subservient in front of the Mushrik and Kafir Colonialist enemies. They want to use our brave military as cannon fodder in the US war to counter China in this region. Our safety, security and sovereignty cannot be safeguarded by these western secular puppet rulers.

**O Muslims**, people of this Indian subcontinent irrespective of religion and race have been under the blessed ruling of the Khilafah (Caliphate) for centuries. The Umayyad Khaleefah (Caliph) Alwaleed bin Abd al-Malik opened this region through a formidable army from Iraq under the leadership of the brave military general Muhammad bin Qasim in 711. Thus, the Muslims of this subcontinent are inextricably bound by Islam, blood and shared history of glory and victory. But with the destruction of the Khilafah in 1924 and the treachery of the secular puppet rulers, Western Kafir Colonialists have crushed the Ummah's unity in this subcontinent through divisive sectarian nationalistic politics. These secular nationalistic rulers exist to maintain this status quo and serve the interests of the Western Kuffar and Mushrikeen at the expense of people. We cannot tear off the colonialist tentacles in this region unless we get rid of these slavish rulers and their secular regime. **Hizb ut Tahrir** is working relentlessly across Indian Subcontinent to bring back the promised Khilafah Rashidah (rightly-guided Caliphate) on the method of Prophethood to get people out of the darkness of the oppression into the light of Islam and its justice. The Messenger of Allah (saw) said, «السُلُطَانُ ظِلُ اللَّهِ فِي الأَرْضِ» *"The Sultan is the Shade of Allah on earth."* [graded as Sahih in Al-Jaam'a as-Saghir]. The imminent Khilafah will uproot the artificial boundaries of the Muslim countries of this region and bring them under the banner of Tawhid once again. It will reunite Pakistan and Bangladesh, and conquer India according to the glad tidings of the Prophet (saw) to end domination of the Kuffar and Mushrikeen in this region. The military doctrine of the Khilafah will be strongly rooted in its foreign policy of dominating the whole of the world. There is no room for establishing so-called balance of power in its foreign policy. Khilafah state will strengthen its military institutions in such a way that it strikes fear into the hearts of the disbelieving colonialists. Allah (swt) says in the Quran,

And make ready against them all you can of power, وَمِنْ رِبَاطِ الْخَيْلِ تُرْهِبُونَ بِهِ عَدُقَ اللهِ وَعَدُقَكُمْ﴾

including the steeds of war to frighten the enemy of Allah and your enemy..." [TMQ Al-Anfal :60]. So, it will naturally remove all kinds of interferences of the colonialist countries and their institutions in this region. The Khilafah's foreign policy regarding international relations will be thus a policy based on war. It will convey the Islamic Dawah to the world to annex societies under the authority and ruling of the Islamic State through Jihad, let alone creating alliances with the belligerent Kuffar enemies and having their evil presence here. Allah (swt) says, هُوَ الَذِي أَرُسَلَ رَسُولَهُ بِاللَهُذَى وَدِينِ الْحَقِ لِيُظْهِرَهُ عَلَى الدِينِ كُلِّهِ وَكَفَى بِاللَّهِ شَهِيدًا» has sent His Messenger with right guidance and the religion of truth, making it prevail over all others. And sufficient is Allah as a Witness" [TMQ Al-Fath:28].

O Sincere Officers in the Bangladesh Military, do you not understand that these soldout rulers are using you as scapegoats in the war of their Kuffar masters? Does your blood not boil to see that you have become expendables in the war of the Kuffar? These lowly rulers shamelessly say that they have no military ambition. In their eyes, you, the descendants of the brave general Khalid bin Walid (ra) and the noble Ansaar, are cheap tools for protecting the interest of Kuffar! We ask you is your Muslim blood meant to be shed for the sake of the Kuffar or for the sake of Allah? How can you think of your salvation in the Hereafter by abandoning Jihad for the sake of Allah and being used for American interest to confront China? Your war must be the Jihad for the sake of Allah; anything other than that will bring you nothing but humiliation in the duniya and Akhirah. Messenger of Allah (saw) warned, «مَا تَرَكَ قُوْمَ الْجَهَادَ إِلَّا ذُلُوا» «No people abandon Jihad except that they are humiliated" [Ahmad]. So, trust in Allah Al-Qawwei, the Powerful, and hasten to remove the traitorous secular rulers and their ruling. Grant your nussrah (material support) to the courageous party Hizb ut Tahrir to bring back the Khilafah Rashidah. The Khaleefah (Caliph) will lead you in the Jihad for the liberation of the entire subcontinent to make this region a fortress of Islam.

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