

Congratulations on the Blessed Eid Al-Adha 1447 AH

(Translated)

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The Prophet (saw) said: «إِنَّ أَعْظَمَ الْأَيَّامِ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ يَوْمَ النَّحْرِ» **“The greatest day in Allah’s sight is the day of sacrifice.”** On this blessed occasion, and in exaltation of the rites of Allah Almighty: ﴿ذَلِكَ وَمَنْ يُعْظِمِ شَعَائِرَ اللَّهِ فَإِنَّهَا مِن تَقْوَى الْقُلُوبِ﴾ **“And whoever honors the symbols of Allah - indeed, it is from the piety of hearts.”** [TMQ Al-Hajj:32].

Despite the calamities that the Islamic Ummah is living through under rulers who have failed it and handed it over to its enemy, filling our hearts with pain and sorrow, we must still extend our warmest congratulations and blessings to our dear Islamic Ummah, patient and seeking reward from Allah, on the blessed Eid al-Adha, asking Allah to make the days of this Eid days of blessing, victory, and honor.

We are also pleased to extend our congratulations, along with those of the Head of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir and all the brothers and sisters working in its departments and units, to the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, the eminent scholar Ata bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, may Allah protect him. Pleading from our Lord Almighty that the Ummah soon gives him the Bay’ah of the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) that will end the era of humiliation in which the Ummah lives, and ushering in an era of victory, liberation, and empowerment, in fulfillment of His Almighty saying: ﴿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﴾ **“Allah has promised those of you who believe and do good that He will certainly make them successors in the land, as He did with those before them; and will surely establish for them their faith which He has chosen for them; and will indeed change their fear into security.”** [TMQ An-Nur: 55].

This year, Eid al-Adha comes while the Islamic Ummah still groans under the burden of colonialism, which inflicts upon it severe torment, leaving it neither the joy of Eid nor happiness in livelihood — in Palestine, Lebanon, Sudan, Iran, Yemen, Ash-Sham, and elsewhere — depriving it of the joy of Eid and the happiness of blessed days: ﴿وَلَيَالٍ عَشْرٍ﴾ **“And [by] ten nights.”** [TMQ Al-Fajr: 2].

That arrogant Donald Trump rages and threatens, bombing Muslims and their lands and threatening them with hell unless they submit to him. And his close ally and counterpart Benjamin Netanyahu roars and tyrannizes in the lands of the Muslims, threatening to reshape the Middle East according to his vision and dreams.

As for the remaining colonial powers, they either side with these two—supporting them and bolstering their resolve—so long as we remain the victims, and the price is paid by us, not by them; such as United Kingdom, France, Australia, Germany and the others — or they may simply observe this and do nothing to support the oppressed or aid the distressed. As for the rulers of the Muslims, they are even worse as they conspire against us rather than standing with us; feeding America's arrogance, and aiding the crimes of the Jews. The very best of them who watches from afar and counts the victims, or offers verbal condemnation and denunciation out of sheer hypocrisy.

This is some of what darkens our lives and disturbs our joy. Yet glad tidings still appear of a near relief and an awakening that will overturn the table upon colonialism and reshape the political scene in a way that will please the believers. The Islamic Ummah increases in determination day after day and shows resilience the West did not expect. It has rejected its criminal rulers and now that their true faces have been unmasked—and their moral nakedness and betrayals laid bare—after they abandoned her in her darkest hours and under the most trying circumstances, this conviction alone is sufficient to bring about the process of desired change. ﴿إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُغَيِّرُ مَا بِالنَّفْسِ﴾ **“Indeed, Allah will not change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves.”** [TMQ Ar-Ra'd:11]. We ask Allah that that day be near.

The Prophet (saw) said: «مَا مِنْ أَيَّامٍ الْعَمَلُ الصَّالِحُ فِيهِنَّ أَحَبُّ إِلَى اللَّهِ مِنْ هَذِهِ الْأَيَّامِ الْعَشْرِ. فَقَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، وَلَا الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ؟ فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: وَلَا الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، إِلَّا رَجُلٌ خَرَجَ بِنَفْسِهِ وَمَالِهِ فَلَمْ يَرْجِعْ» **“There are no days in which a good deed is more pleasing to Allah than these ten days.”** On being asked whether not even jihad in Allah's path were as pleasing, he (saw) replied, **“Not even jihad in Allah's path, except when a man goes out in person with his property and loses both life and property.”**

This, then, is an opportunity for every devout servant to seize these blessed days—joining their hands and efforts to those of the Dawah carriers—to strive toward the realization of the greatest obligation of our time: the resumption of the Islamic way of life through the establishment of the Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) upon the methodology of the Prophethood. Thus, we may once again become "the best nation ever brought forth for humankind," and find honor through Islam.

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