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Hizb ut Tahrir in the German-Speaking Countries Sent a Delegation to the Russian Embassy in Vienna

(Translated)

As part of a global campaign in support of the prisoner <u>Jannat Bespalova</u>, a delegation from Hizb ut Tahrir led bythe Head of the Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir in the German-speaking countries, Eng. Shakir Assim, went to the Russian Embassy in Vienna on Wednesday, 3rd of Rajab Al Fard 1439 AH, corresponding to 21/3/2018 to deliver a protest memorandum. This memorandum was delivered in Russian, German and Arabic languages to an embassy official who promised the delegation to deliver it to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Moscow.

This protest is also against the arrest of hundreds of Hizb ut Tahrir members in Russia under the pretext of belonging to a "terrorist organization." All of these arrests are based on the brutal decision of 2003 of the Russian Federal Supreme Court, which enlisted Hizb ut Tahrir as a terrorist organization without any concrete evidence. The method of work of the party follows the detailed method of the Prophet (saw) which is known globally; it is undertaking intellectual and political work and not material work.

But the political establishment in Russia is not concerned with all these facts. The fear of the spread of Islam among the Russians made them resort to any means to counter the Islamic Dawah carriers. The real reason for this persecution is the presence of people among those accused in St. Petersburg of working with Hizb ut Tahrir, who have Russian names such as Ivanov, Mikhailov, Yablokov and others ... This phenomenon, the large acceptance of Islam by the people of St. Petersburg is also the real reason behind the arrest of our sister Jannat Bespalova. She is from a Russian family. She converted to Islam and married Issa Rahimov, who was sentenced to 12 years in prison for his charge of organizing Hizb ut Tahrir's activities in St. Petersburg.

Bespalova's only "crime" is that she converted to Islam and married a Muslim. The Russian state is trying to teach her a lesson that will serve as a deterrent for everyone who wants to follow her path; all because of the deep hatred of Islam and belief in Allah (swt) ﴿
وَمَا نَقُمُوا مِنْهُمُ إِلَّا And they resented them not except because they believed in Allah, the Exalted in Might, the Praiseworthy" [Al-Buruj: 8]

We say to the Russian state and its apparatus that all the arbitrary and brutal methods practiced against the Islamic Dawah carriers will not benefit it at all. They will not be able to extinguish the light of Islam, not among the millions of Muslims who live in Russia or among non-Muslims there because the truth that convinces the mind and agrees with the human nature will never be stopped by violence.

﴿ وَقُلْ جَاءَ الْحَقُّ وَزَهَقَ الْبَاطِلُ إِنَّ الْبَاطِلَ كَانَ زَهُوقًا ﴾

"And say, "Truth has come, and falsehood has departed. Indeed is falsehood, [by nature], ever bound to depart." [Al-Isra': 81]

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