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 وَمَن كَفَرَ بَعْدَ ذَٰلِكَ فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ﴾

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Media Statement

The Foreign Minister of Lebanon Describes the Occupier as a State and those Who Fight Against them as Militias!

(Translated)

At the time of the Jewish entity's annihilation of Gaza, the bombings in southern Lebanon, and the threat of returning it to the Stone Age, Lebanon's Foreign Minister, Abdallah Bou Habib, made a troubling and dangerous statement with CNN Arabic that warrants scrutiny by the government and its president. If not his immediate dismissal. He stated about Jewish entity "is a state that fighting militias." Moreover, he referred to Palestine as "their country" when talking about the Jewish state.

This serious statement cannot be dismissed as a slip of the tongue; it is rather an acknowledgment of the occupying entity and a derogatory term used to describe those who resist their enemy as "militias." It is well-known that such terminology is not employed as a form of praise!

The entire world is witnessing the atrocities committed by this entity against our people in Gaza, not to mention the West Bank, Al-Aqsa Mosque, and southern Lebanon, all through audio and visual evidence. Islamic nations, along with honourable individuals worldwide, have taken to the streets, demanding the removal of this entity, mobilization of the armies, declaration of Jihad, opening the borders, and an end to the Jewish aggression.

All of this is happening in the face of the subservience of the rulers and their silence, except for some token condemnations that neither satisfy nor alleviate the suffering of the people in Gaza.

Then the Foreign Minister of Lebanon comes to describe the occupying criminals as a state, while they still occupy parts of Lebanon and label those who resist the occupier as militias. What kind of hypocrisy is this?!

We have witnessed major Western countries and their foreign ministers standing by this aggressive entity, providing it with arms and financial support. And the rulers of the West and their ministers rush to visit it; it's no surprise, given that these Western powers were involved in its creation and the division of Muslim into fragmented states to weaken their collective strength. What's truly strange is that the Foreign Minister of Lebanon, a country that claims to lead the resistance and considers the occupying entity an enemy and occupier of Palestinian and Lebanese territories, would make such a statement without facing criticism and accountability!

We, in Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Lebanon, raise our voices to emphasize that this statement does not represent us or the people of Lebanon nor its honourable people. We firmly believe that the usurping entity must be removed, and we call for the mobilization of armies and carrying arms, especially in the surrounding countries, to confront this occupying enemy and give Nusrah (support) to the people of Gaza. Nusrah that will serve as a vindication before Allah, the Almighty.

We remind everyone of the promise of the Messenger of Allah (saw) regarding the killing of the Jews and the purification of the land from their impurity at the hands of the believers. The Prophet (saw) said: «لاَ تَقُومُ السَّاعَةُ حَتَّى يُقَاتِلَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ الْيَهُودَ فَيَقْتُلُهُمُ الْمُسْلِمُونَ حَتَّى يَخْتَبِئَ الْيَهُودِيُّ مِنْ وَرَاءِ الْحَجَرِ وَالشَّجَرِ فَيَقُولُ الْحَجَرُ أَوِ الشَّجَرُ يَا مُسْلِمُ يَا عَبْدَ اللَّهِ هَذَا يَهُودِيٌّ خَلْفِي فَتَعَالَ فَاقْتُلْهُ، إِلاَّ الْغَرْقَدَ فَإِنَّهُ مِنْ شَجَرِ الْيَهُودِ» **"The last hour would not come unless the Muslims will fight against the Jews and the Muslims would kill them until the Jews would hide themselves behind a stone or a tree and a stone or a tree would say: Muslim, or the servant of Allah, there is a Jew behind me; come and kill him; but the tree Gharqad would not say, for it is the tree of the Jews."**

So, which of you, O near Muslim armies in Egypt and Jordan, or even those far-reaching and influential in Turkey, Pakistan, and Iran, will fulfil this promise, support the oppressed, and earn the pleasure of Allah?

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