

Press Release

## Kayani, Musharraf and Raheel- Servants of Washington Raheel Sharif's Tenure is one of Sacrificing the Interests of the Muslims of Pakistan to Ensure American Interests

On Monday, 25th January 2016, Lieutenant General Asim Bajwa, head of the Public Relations Department of Pakistan's armed forces, announced via Twitter that General Raheel Sharif will not extend his tenure, beyond the scheduled end of his tenure on November 2016. After this announcement for several days, mouthpieces and sycophants of the regime engaged in loud clamor and desk-thumping, appreciating Raheel's decision.

It is strange that Raheel Sharif has been praised for a decision which should be a routine matter, retirement at the end of a career. He should have been praised or criticized with regards his responsibilities. Judgment should have been over whether he protected the interests of the Muslims of Pakistan or followed the path of his predecessors, Kayani and Musharraf, who guarded the interests of America. General Raheel Sharif himself highlighted the most prominent aspect of his tenure as the so-called "war on terrorism," which is in fact war against those who are fighting against the American occupation in Afghanistan. Raheel Sharif exploited the Pakistani armed forces to accomplish tasks which America itself had not been able to do for the last fifteen years, despite having hundreds of thousands troops of American and NATO forces on its disposal. On 30 January 2016, the nominated commander of American and NATO forces in Afghanistan, Lt. General Nicholson, acknowledged Raheel Sharif's services in front of the US Senate Armed Services Committee. He stated that Pakistan's military operations in FATA (Federally Administered Tribal Areas) were "critical to defeating insurgency." He further said that he acknowledged Pakistan's ongoing counter-terrorism operation in FATA had reduced the militants' ability to use Pakistan territory as a safe haven for terrorism and a base of support for the insurgency in Afghanistan.

When traitors in the political and military leadership themselves accept that America allowed Pakistan's enemy, India, to establish her presence in Afghanistan, then why did Raheel Sharif fight those who are fighting against America? When traitors in the political and military leadership themselves accept that American policies have damaged Pakistan, then why did Raheel Sharif use the Pakistan army to facilitate the American presence at our door step, Afghanistan, even though America is an open enemy of Pakistan's nuclear capabilities? In fact, Raheel Sharif in his tenure followed in the footsteps of Washington's servants, Kayani and Musharraf. He secured American interests and sacrificed the interests of the Muslims of Pakistan and the region. During Raheel's tenure, the National Action Plan campaign to suppress the voice of Islam was launched, in which thousands have been put behind bars and hundreds been abducted, disappearing without a trace. During Raheel's tenure, a special committee comprising of military intelligence, Inter-Services Intelligence, the Intelligence Bureau and police was established in the aftermath of the Pathankot attack, to formulate proposals to ensure the security of India. During Raheel's tenure, the policy of preventing Muslims waging Jihad against India in Kashmir was consolidated. And Raheel did not even dare to raise the issue of Afia Siddiqui, daughter of the Ummah, during his two official visits of America.

The army commanders of the coming Khilafah (Caliphate), inshaaAllah, will not be remembered upon retirement for tenures in service of the open enemies of Muslims. Instead, they will be remembered as Khalid Bin Waleed (ra), Tariq Bin Ziyad and Muhammad Bin Qasim, over how many lands they opened to raise the word of Allah (swt) as the highest and their role in spreading the light of Islam, as a mercy for humankind.

﴿وَلِلَّهِ الْعِزَّةُ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَلَكِنَّ الْمُنَافِقِينَ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾

**“But honour, power and glory belong to Allah, His Messenger (Muhammad), and to the believers, but the hypocrites know not” [Al-Munafiqun: 08].**

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