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Press Release

International Women's Day is an Annual Reminder of the Failure of Secularism to Solve Women's Problems

The 8th of March 2013 marks the 102nd anniversary of the International Women's Day (IWD) - a day on which many women's rights activists across the world celebrate the progress that women have made in their fight for rights and respect, and reflect on the continuing struggles ahead. This year, the UN's theme for the day is preventing violence against women, under the slogan, "A promise is a promise: Time for action to end violence against women" - a theme that the UN has adopted as a focus in many previous years. Earlier this week, the fifty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women was held at the UN Headquarters in New York, with attention also placed on this subject.

Instead of being a day for celebration, IWD should be a day for commiserations and reflection on the mountain of broken promises made to women by the secular system that has dominated the globe over the last century but failed to secure basic rights, security, and respect for women the world-over. After more than 100 years of IWD and struggle for gender equality; the founding of countless women's rights organisations; and innumerable UN women's empowerment initiatives across the globe- violence, desperate poverty, political repression, exploitation, illiteracy, oppressive traditional practices, and poor access to good quality education and healthcare continue to plague the lives of hundreds of millions of women under secular or other man-made models of governance in the East and West. IWD is therefore a stark annual reminder of how these debilitating women's problems remain unsolved under this system that has detached God and religion from the affairs of states and left it to the limited, flawed and weak minds of men or women to organise the affairs of humanity.

Other than expressing rhetoric against injustice and oppression, secular governments and institutions such as the UN and their agreements such as CEDAW have proven utterly redundant and clueless in providing a clear strategy to elevate the status of women, secure their rights, and protect them from abuse. This is hardly surprising as it is the capitalist system they promote that has impoverished nations and sanctioned support to

dictatorships for financial gain. And it is the liberal freedoms and ideals of gender equality they celebrate that have created promiscuous societies, fractured the family unit, led to the abandonment of the guardianship and maintenance of women, and sanctioned the sexualisation and devaluing of women, exacerbating their exploitation and abuse. IWD should therefore turn world attention upon the lack of credibility of secular democracy in taking care of the needs of women or in offering sound solutions to women's problems.

This March also marks another anniversary - one year on from the historical International Women's Conference in Tunisia organised by the women of Hizb ut Tahrir. This conference, entitled, "The Khilafah: A Shining Model for Women's Rights and Political Role" gathered hundreds of women from across the world to present the vision of the Khilafah state that is built purely upon the Islamic principles and laws. In contrast to the faulty secular democratic system, the Khilafah embodies a unique clear strategy by which to secure the dignity and rights of women, which has been detailed extensively in the methodology of Hizb ut Tahrir and its draft constitution for the state. It is a state whose political system is based upon taking care of the needs of the masses rather than the elite few; whose economic system is based upon fair distribution of wealth and prioritising fighting poverty; and whose values and laws at every level of society, including its prohibition of the sexualisation of women and oppressive traditional practices, and its severe punishments for any acts of harm against women ensures that their high status and dignified treatment is maintained at all times. We therefore call all Muslim women to work to establish the Khilafah that will bring real improvement to their lives and be a true cause for celebration rather than continuing along the road of marking annual reminders of the failure in solving women's problems.

﴿أَلَا يَعْلَمُ مَنْ خَلَقَ وَهُوَ ٱللَّطِيفُ ٱلْخَبِيرُ ﴾

"Should not He Who has created know? And He is the Most Kind and Courteous, All-Aware (of everything)." [TMQ 67:14]

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"لَا يُلْدَعُ الْمُؤْمِنُ مِنْ جُحْرِ وَاحِدٍ مَرّتَيْنِ" "The believer is not stung from the same hole twice." [Hadith]



Muslims have not been stung merely twice, but countless times by the current system in Pakistan. Each time new faces come through coup or election, the people curse the old faces. However, only after a while, the new faces appear even uglier and more despised than the older faces. The current system is incapable of looking after the affairs of the people and securing the rights that Allah (swt) guaranteed humankind, regardless of their race, language, gender or religion.

Pakistan's current system is a continuation of the British Raj occupation that abolished Islamic rule in the Indian Subcontinent in the first place. Even though the Muslims shed their pure blood to establish Pakistan in the name of Islam, it was the British Parliament that created Pakistan's initial legislation under its Indian Independence Act of 1947. Even though Pakistan produced its first constitution in 1956, this and every subsequent constitution, including the present 1973 constitution, has been framed around British secular law. Whilst secularism is unlike atheism, as it does not deny the Creator, it is exactly the same as atheism in denying the Creator (swt) being the sole Sovereign over humankind, ordering and forbidding them according to all that He (swt) revealed. Instead, secularism gives human-beings the choice to obey Allah (swt) or disobey Him, even though Allah (swt) has revealed,

﴿وَمَا كَانَ لِمُؤْمِنٍ وَلاَ مُؤْمِنَةٍ إذا قضَى اللهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَمْرًا أَنْ يَكُونَ لَهُمُ الْخِيَرَةُ مِنْ أَمْرِهِمْ وَمَنْ يَعْصِ اللَّهَ

وَرَسُولَهُ فَقَدْ ضَلّ ضَلَالاً مُبِينًا ﴾

"It is not befitting for a believing man or woman to have any choice in a matter, when it has been decided upon by Allah and His Messenger." [Surah Al-Ahzab 33:36].

The current secular constitution gives rise to the ruling system of democracy, which assigns assemblies of men and women as sovereign, allowing them to choose laws according to their whims and desires, even though Allah (swt) said,

﴿وَأَنِ احْكُمْ بَيْنَهُمْ بِمَا أَنْزَلَ اللهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ وَاحْدُرْهُمْ أَنْ يَفْتِثُوكَ عَنْ بَعْضٍ مَا أَنْزَلَ الله إلَيْكَ»

"And judge between them by what Allah has revealed, and do not follow their desires, and beware (O Muhammad) that they might seduce you from some of what Allah has sent down to you." [Surah Al-Maaida 5:49].

It is this democracy gives the right to any ruler, minister or member of assembly to choose to command what Allah (swt) has forbidden or to choose to forbid what Allah (swt) has commanded. It is this democracy that makes lords over humankind besides Allah (swt). Bayhaqi reported that Adiyy ibn Hatim, said: "I came to the Prophet wearing a cross of gold in my neck. And I heard him read from Surah Baraa'ah,

اتتخذوا أحْبَارَهُمْ وَرُهْبَانَهُمْ أَرْبَابًا مِنْ دُونِ الله»

"They took the rabbis and monks as lords beside Allah" [Surah At-Tawba 9:31].

I said, "O RasulAllah, they do not worship them. He said:

"أجل ولكن يحلون لهم ما حرم الله فيستحلونه ويحرمون عليهم ما أحل الله فيحرمونه فتلك عبادتهم لهم"

"Yes, but they made Halal for them what Allah forbade and they took it as Halal and they made Haram for them what Allah made Halal and they took it as Haraam and that is how they worshipped them."

The Objectives Resolution of 1949 does not fix secular democracy's denial of Allah (swt) as sole and effective Sovereign over humankind. In fact, although this resolution begins by stating that 'sovereignty over the entire universe belongs to Allah Almighty alone,' it promptly transfers this sovereignty to the 'Constituent Assembly,' an assembly of men and women, though Islam mandates sovereignty is only for Allah (swt). As for Article 227 of the constitution that provides for all existing laws to be brought in "conformity with the injunctions of Islam," again this article gives the ultimate choice to the assembly. Thus, it is Pakistan's secular democracy that has allowed successive governments, in over six decades, to prevent the implementation of most of Islam, if not nearly all of it, even though Allah revealed,

﴿أَ فَتُوْمِنُونَ بِبَعْضِ الْكِتَابِ وَتَكْفُرُونَ بِبَعْضٍ فَمَا جَزَاءُ مَنْ يَفْعَلُ ذَلِكَ مِنْكُمْ إلا خِزْيٌ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُنْيَا ويَوْمَ

الْقِيَامَةِ يُرَدُونَ إِلَى أَشَدِّ الْعَدَابِ ﴾

"Do you believe in a part of the Book and reject the rest? What else, then should be the retribution of those among you who do this than that they should live in degradation in the present life, and that on the Day of Resurrection they should be sent to the severest chastisement?" [Surah Al-Baqarah 2:85]

O Muslims of Pakistan!

It is democracy, designed by and inherited from the colonialist Kuffar that separates our Ummah from Islam and its ruling system of Khilafah, whether in Pakistan, Egypt or Turkey, Tunisia or Indonesia. The claim that yet more elections within this system would bring change of system is a lie made to secure this system from abolition. Anyone who becomes part of democracy can never bring any change whosoever he may be and forever long he ruled. It is upon us all to turn away from this rotten system now and mobilize for the establishment of the Islamic Khilafah state.

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Know that it is the Khilafah alone that assigns Sovereignty to Allah (swt) only. It is the Khilafah alone whose constitution is established on the revealed sources, the Quran and the Sunnah. Neither the elected Khaleefah nor the elected men and women of the Majlis-e-Ummah have any choice in referring to Islam, for they must always refer to Islam. It is the Khilafah alone that has establishes each and every article of the constitution upon Islamic evidences. Thus it is the Khilafah alone that ensures our education, foreign policy, economy, judiciary, consultation; accounting and removing of rulers are all according to Islam. It is only this Khilafah which will look after our affairs as Islam commanded. RasulAllah (saw) said,

"كانت بنو إسرائيل تسوسهم الأنبياء، كلما هلك نبي خلفه نبي، وأنه لا نبي بعدي، وستكون خلفاء فتكثر، قالوا فما تأمرنا؟ قال: فوا ببيعة الأول فالأول، وأعطوهم حقهم، فإن الله سائلهم عما استرعاهم"

"The Prophets looked after the affairs of Bani Isra'eel. Whenever a Prophet died, he would be succeeded by another. There is no Prophet after me, but there will be many Khulafa'a." They asked, "What do you order us?" He said, "Give them the Bayah one after another, one at a time, give them their right for Allah will ask them about their affairs." [Muslim]

Know also that there is no leadership crisis in Pakistan, if you look outside of this corrupt system and those who line up to enter it. Hizb ut Tahrir is amongst us to lead us to the establishment of the Khilafah. Hizb ut Tahrir has prepared an entire constitution of 191 articles, accompanied with divine evidences from the Quran and Sunnah. It has prepared a library of books elaborating upon Islam, its solutions and its method of implementation. And it has produced armies of capable, aware and committed, men and women to advise and account the rulers of the Khilafah in their implementation of Islam. What remains for us is the question that many of us ask already, **"How can I help Hizb ut Tahrir establish the Khilafah?"** The answer:

<u>Our first duty is to raise our voice with Hizb ut Tahrir against the</u> <u>Kufr systems of democracy and dictatorship.</u> We must join in Hizb ut Tahrir's campaign that is taking place throughout the country to turn away from these man-made systems, dictatorship and democracy. We must harshly account any politician or political party that calls us to these corrupt systems and advise them to contact Hizb ut Tahrir in order to work for real change, the re-establishment of the Khilafah.

Our second duty is to raise our voice with Hizb ut Tahrir for our system, the Khilafah Rashida. We must join Hizb ut Tahrir now and prepare ourselves so that we can bring the Khilafah again. Hizb ut Tahrir has the capacity to prepare all of us so that we are able to carry the knowledge to others. So let us fulfill our duty to establish Islam and join Hizb ...Cont. on p. 35



A Million Syrian Refugees as the World Still Watches

(Translated)

The UN High Commissioner for Refugees announced the number of Syrian refugees he has documented in the surrounding countries has exceeded one million much earlier than expected, which has increased pressure on the surrounding countries that have had difficulty supporting them.

The influx of Syrian refugees into Jordan, Lebanon, and Turkey, including Iraq and Egypt and other countries consists of women, children and elders; the healthy and ill, the pregnant and nursing. The number has increased greatly since the beginning of the year to reach one million. The reports indicate half the refugees are children less than 18 years old, and one in five is less than 5 years old, and the bitter irony is that the millionth refugee is documented as a woman and mother of two children, and they all suffer from psychological trauma and do not own anything, and have lost members of their families. These are the people who have been relocated to the miserable and humiliating camps, where they depend on the generosity of the host countries and the response of the humanitarian agencies and monetary aid from governments and individuals.

Oh Muslims: The Revolution of al-Sham is not only a matter of the numbers and statistics of martyrs and injured and refugees, and it is not just a humanitarian issue concerned with sheltering and feeding the refugees and requesting aid from governments and international agencies. Instead, it is a fateful issue for people who announced their revolution for Allah's sake. It is a conflict between Iman and Kufr that is conveyed in the chants and demonstrations that say "Our leader, forever, the Prophet Muhammad," and it is the selection of Allah's law that is conveyed in the demand for an Islamic State, not a civil or democratic one. This is a revolution that terrifies the Kuffar, so they try in every way to steal it and steer it off its track and plot against it, and Britain's recent announcement that it is prepared to support Assad's opposition with aid and tanks is only an example of this. This is

absolutely unacceptable, for this is a revolution for Allah's sake, and it should not be polluted by the assistance of the Kuffar. The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "لا تَسْتَضِيئُوا بِنَار الْمُشْرِكِينَ" "Do not seek light from the fire of the Mushrikeen."

The women and children of al-Sham suffer two tragedies in the refugee camps; the tragedy of destitution, humiliation, indignity, harassment and illness; and reports indicate that there is an increase in premature births due to malnourishment and psychological stress, and the fear that they suffer due to the continued forced displacement and fleeing from the country. And the criminal regimes in the Muslim countries, instead of moving even a part of their armies to eliminate the tyrant and put an end to the bloodshed and the violation of the women of al-Sham, and put an end to their suffering, they participate in the conspiracy and even complain about the negative impact the refugees have on their economies.

Oh people of power and strength, how many refugees do you wish there to be before you sense the magnitude and tragedy and horror of the situation? Your brothers and sons scream and plead for your help to save them from the hell of the tyrant! Allah Almighty says,

﴿وإن اسْتَنْصَرو كُمْ فِي الدّين فعَلَيْكُمْ النّصْر ﴾

"If they seek your aid in religion, it is your duty to help them."

So rise up to your responsibility to protect them and defend them and dispose of the criminal regime, and establish the Second Righteous Khilafah on the method of the Prophethood that will take revenge from them and return justice and provide security and safety. \Box

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Abandoned by the System, Many Female Orphans in Azerbaijan Resort to a Life of Vice

On the 6th of March 2013, the Azeri news agency "ANS Press" reported their shocking social findings that upon attaining adulthood, most female orphans leave their boarding schools and shelters with no help or support from the government. The consequence of this is many enter a life of crime in order to feed and house themselves. Their sheltered and 'micro' lifestyles of living in a very dependent manner with little training or experience of real life leave them unprepared to cope with the demands of the 'macro' world outside of their institutions. Azerbaijan currently has 43 public institutions, which rears 9,776 children. The chief psychologist at the Regional Psychological Center, Dayanat Rzayev is quoted as saying, "These children need housing and jobs. Otherwise, the desire of make a living in an easy way may lead them to crime. For this reason, these children need to continue receiving assistance." As a result of being abandoned by the Azerbaijan state, many vulnerable young women are forced out of government care and left to fend for themselves with no provision or housing arrangements to allow them to live in financial security. ANS Press reports the opinion of social experts who believe that more attention should be given to young women who leave the orphanages when they mature for they are in a particular risk category and are often so desperate in their struggle to survive that they often end up selling themselves on the streets of Azerbaijan.

President Ilham Aliyev's government has demonstrated its complete disregard and failure in undertaking its responsibility to look after the most needy and weak in society. Its implementation of secular values and abandonment of the Islamic social system have left hundreds of orphaned women homeless and exposed to the abuse of criminals and the worst members of society. Under the Islamic social system, Allah (swt) prescribes that women are to be maintained and protected by their male relatives.

In the absence of male family members, the state must carry full re-

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sponsibility for those who cannot support themselves. In contrast, liberal capitalistic values promote the idea that women, as mature citizens should provide for themselves, even those who are vulnerable. The Azerbaijani leadership has complete disregard for the Islamic laws which are clear on the rights of orphans as expressed in the hadith of the Prophet Mohammad (saw):

"مَنْ تَرَكَ مَالاً فَلِوَرَتْتِهِ، وَمَنْ تَرَكَ كَلاً فَإِلَيْنَا"

"If someone leaves some property, it will be for the inheritors, and if he leaves some weak offspring, it will be for us to support them."

The insincerity of the Azerbaijani leadership is clear seen this week, President Ilham Aliyev issued an official state address 'congratulating' the women of Azerbaijan on International Women's Day and saying that they have 'protected our language with honour, our national and moral values, cultural and historical heritage and customs and traditions..." adding that he believes that they will do their "....best to maintain cultural-moral values...". In truth however, the sickening reality is it is the sheer callousness of the Azerbaijan government in executing its duty towards these female orphans and its negligence in taking care of the welfare of vulnerable young women that has undermined the 'moral' values of its society - for it has placed these women in a desperate financial state leading them into degrading slavery on the city streets, and exposing them to the exploits of criminals. It is embracing the corrupt secular nationalistic culture and system in place of the noble values, culture, and system of Islam upon which the true historical heritage, customs, and traditions of Azerbaijan lies that has led to the abandonment of these women rather than their guardianship, maintenance, and complete protection of their dignity as obliged under the Khilafah state. Under this system, orphanages and a state benefit system existed to protect the orphans, the destitute and needy so their right to food, clothing and shelter were upheld without compromise, such as at the time of the rule of the Khalifah Umar bin Al Khattab (ra). It is only a return to the just Islamic model of governance that will secure not only the rights of female orphans, but all women at every level of society.

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Press Release

Anti-Islamic Nature of Foreign Policy Revealed on Syria and Burma

Burmese President Thein Sein arrived in Australia yesterday, Sunday 17 March 2013, for a three-day tour in which he will meet the Prime Minister, Governor-General and business leaders and is the guest of honour at a state lunch at Government House.

A day earlier Foreign Minister Bob Carr announced that Australia would list Jabhat al-Nusrah, one of the Islamic groups fighting the Assad regime in Syria, as a terrorist organisation, saying, "There is no place for violent extremist groups such as Al-Nusrah in Syria or elsewhere."

Uthman Badar, media representative of Hizb ut Tahrir Australia, commenting on these developments said,

"We remind the Foreign Minister, first and foremost, that he has no place dictating what should or should not happen in Syria. Australia should mind its own business and cease interfering in the affairs of the Muslim World. We also remind him that he is in no position on lecturing others about terrorism given the horrendous record of his own government and its allies, greater terrorists than whom the 21st century has not seen."

"The juxtaposition of Australia's policy on Syria and Burma reveal clearly the anti-Islamic nature of its foreign policy. On Syria, Australia has watched on from the sidelines, offering little more than rhetoric, as the Assad regime has butchered the people of Syria in the tens of thousands and in the most inhumane of ways. Now, it seeks to take a stand against Muslims groups defending themselves against the brutality of the Assad regime. It is clear that Australia's position has little to do with terrorism. Rather, it is based on its desire to suffocate the Syrian uprising and prevent it from reaching its natural end in the establishment of the Islamic state.

On the other hand, Australia rolls out the red carpet for proven terrorists such as President Thein Sein whose hands have not yet dried from the blood of the Royhinga Muslims of Arakan province which his ...Cont. on p. 35



Press Release In True Capitalist Style, China Justifies 330 Million Abortions in the Name of Economic Interests

On the 16th March 2013, Al-Jazeera, The China Post, and other media agencies reported on the published data from China's official Health Ministry that showed more than 330 million abortions and almost 200 million sterilizations have been performed in China since its family-planning programme to limit the population was introduced 40 years ago. This data confirms the huge scale of the social fall-out of China's cruel 'One-Child Policy' that has caused many acts of violence against women to limit their family size as well as violation of their basic right to bear children. Millions of baby girls have been discarded or even killed throughout the cities and villages in China over the last 4 decades. China has also been embarrassed over the past year by stories that show just how far the government has gone to brutally enforce its One Child Policy: kidnapping women, dragging them into clinics, strapping them down, and aborting babies, even in the ninth month of development.

This colossal figure of abortions reflects the Chinese government's loss of a sense of humanity due to being blinded by economic interests. China has been undervaluing its own children who are the future generation of its people by viewing them as a financial burden and economic inhibitors. Its government has been blinded by the capitalist ideology which views all problems from an economic perspective and ignores the social impact of its policies on individuals and society as a whole. Capitalism is an ideology that has consistently placed financial interest above the needs of humanity, and economic growth above family life and children. Hundreds of millions of unborn babies have been discarded due to the Chinese government's belief in the false solution offered by the flawed capitalist theory of preventing poverty through population control. Capitalism carries the mistaken belief that existing resources are not enough to provide the basic needs of all people. This is despite the fact that even the UN that sponsors population control programmes across the world, acknowledges within its World Food Programme branch that there is sufficient food in the world today for everyone to have the nourishment for a healthy life.

In contrast to capitalism, Islam solves problems from the viewpoint of what is best for humanity rather than from the narrow economic perspective that defines capitalist solutions. Islam rejects the theory and policy of population control. It also rejects the capitalist materialistic view of limiting family size for economic interests that oppresses women by suppressing their natural instinct to bear children. Rather, Islam recommends having many children without the fear of poverty because its texts emphasize that provision in origin is from Allah (swt), and that He (swt) is the Sustainer and the Provider who has created enough resources in the world for every human being to sustain themselves. This unique Islamic belief nurtures a mentality within a Muslim that views having many children as a blessing to a family and to society rather than a burden to their finances.

In addition, the sound Islamic economic system distributes wealth effectively within a society to ensure that every citizen has their basic needs met as well as fair access to the wealth of their lands in order to provide them the opportunity to acquire luxuries and improve their standard of living. All this will only materialize under the shade of the Khilafah system of governance that has the ability to harness the full potential of its youth through its sound Islamic policies to make them a force of good for its society. The Khilafah is therefore a state that will marry economic prosperity with economic justice and equity for its citizens, alongside rejecting this flawed, harmful and oppressive concept of population control. It is a system that the Lord of the Worlds has revealed to serve the needs of humanity rather than the elite few and a human-orientated rather than profit-focused model of managing wealth and organizing the economy.

﴿أَلَمْ تَرَوْا أَنَّ اللَّهَ سَخَرَ لَكُمْ مَا فِي السِّمَاوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَأَسْبَعْ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعَمَهُ ظاهِرَةً وَبَاطِنَةً»

"Do you not see how Allah has made subjected for you whatsoever is in the heavens and whatsoever is in the earth, and He has completed and perfected His favours upon you, both the open and the hidden." [TMQ Luqman 31:20]

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Press Release

Fascist Sri Lankan Movement Bodhu Bala Sena Announces Campaign to Abolish the Jilbab with Tacit Approval from Sri Lankan Government

The racist organisation Bodhu Bala Sena (BBS) that has gained notoriety as an ethno-religious fascist movement seeks Sinhala Buddhist supremacy in Sri Lanka, has announced it will launch a campaign against Muslim women wearing the jilbab in its mass rally in Kandy on the 17th of March 2013. The BBS has for sometime vilified the jilbab, making insulting comments and physically attacking Muslim women who adorn it, as well as inciting hatred towards Islam generally, generating hostility, fuelling prejudice, and exacerbating abuse against Muslims. In some towns, Muslim women have been stopped in streets and ordered to remove their jilbab by supporters of the movement. In Dikwella, three Muslim girls in Islamic dress were assaulted. The BBS has also called Sinhala Buddhists to boycott Muslim businesses, and ran a widespread campaign to abolish halal certification of products from Sri Lanka. The organisation enjoys support of the Sinhalacommunal minded Sri Lankan government of Mahinda Rajapaksa who has provided the BBS a free-hand to pursue its bigoted anti-Islam campaigns and to openly express its racist rhetoric, failing to condemn or curtail its anti-Muslim activities. Moreover, on March 9, Secretary of Defence Gotabhaya Rajapaksa was the Chief Guest at the opening of the BBS's Buddhist Leadership Academy, stated that he decided to attend the event, "after realising its timely importance", adding that, "these Buddhist clergy who are engaged in a nationally important task should not be feared or doubted by anyone".

Through its glowing public endorsement of the 'nationally important task' of the BBS - which is clearly to stigmatize Muslim women and marginalize the Muslim community in Sri Lanka - Rajapaksa's regime has demonstrated that its beliefs and goals are aligned with the corrosive ethnic ideals of this fascist organisation. It seems intent on exploiting racism to maintain public support, and to pursue the politics of dictatorial states such as Burma where the targeting of minorities has become the accepted norm. Muslim women in Sri Lanka are victims of caustic ethnic-based politics is a strand of the toxic concept of nationalism that sows discord, division, and conflict within societies and minorities become the easy target. The treatment therefore of minorities under the Khilafah stands in stark contrast to their maltreatment under the ethnic-based Sri Lankan government and other nationalism-based states, for it is obliged to provide the same rights of protection of belief, dignity, life, and property to every citizen regardless of race, ethnicity, nationality, or religion.

The women of Hizb ut Tahrir say to the BBS and Rajapaksa regime - Do not think that this attack against the Muslim women of Sri Lanka and their Islamic beliefs goes unnoticed by the world. We will raise widespread awareness of the injustices they face amongst the global media and to the world such that any decent-minded individual will count you amongst the world's oppressors. Muslims in Sri Lanka may be a minority but they are part of a 1.5 billion strong Ummah that will not be silent to your religious fascism. Take heed! The return of the Khilafah system that will unite the whole Muslim world is imminent Insha Allah and it will deal harshly with those whose hands are tarnished with the persecution of Muslims.

Dear beloved sisters of Sri Lanka,

We call you not to be intimidated by these racist tactics used to pressure you to compromise your Deen and obedience to Allah (swt). We call you to stand firm to your beliefs and Islamic dress for you have the Support of the Lord of the Worlds and this Ummah. Take heart, the return of the Khilafah is fast approaching and will provide you a haven. Respond to those who attack you for your Islamic dress in the manner that Ibrahim (as) responded to those who threatened him with their idols:

"And why should I fear anything that you worship which you set up beside Allah, seeing that you are not afraid of ascribing divinity to others beside Allah, for which, He has revealed unto you no warrant? Which of the two parties has a better right to be secure? (Answer me that) if you have knowledge!" [TMQ Al-An'am: 81]

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Press Release

The Bill of Social Organization, The Gate to Revive Repressive Regime of New Era

House of Representative is currently discussing the Bill of Social Organization. The bill is assumed important to manage society. But in the reality, it has the spirit of controlling and repression by reviving the sole basis (Article 2), restricting social organization from political activity (Article 7) and strict controls from government (Article 58, 61 and 62). It was like what the first president, Suharto did in New Era. Instead of giving ample opportunity for social organizations to participate in empowering people, the bill has the potency to gag critical stances of people against the government by any reasons. Remembering the decree of People's Consultative Assembly No. XVIII/1998 cancelled the decree of People's Consultative Assembly No. II/1978 where the sole basis was inside is a setback. The bill can give rise to people subjected to trauma of authoritarianism conducted by New Era regime.

Also, the bill looks discriminatory because there is different role between ordinary social organization and wing organization of political party (the bill Article 4). It seems that political parties want to promote themselves. All social organizations must be subject to the bill except the wing organizations of political party.

Regarding this, Hizb ut Tahrir / Indonesia and the prominents of Islamic organizations declare:

1. Reject the Bill of Social Organization because it is a gateway for reviving repression of New Era Regime. This bill also has the potency to gag critical stances of people against the government for any reason.

2. Actually what we need now is remanaging our frame of thinking correctly, how to educate people and bring this country onto the right direction and recognize 'who and what' become serious threats to this country and how to face it. Based on existing facts, the serious threats ...Cont. on p. 36



Alert and Clarification

Hizb ut Tahrir is a Standalone Political Party, It does not Represent Anyone nor is it Represented by Anyone!

(Translated)

It has occurred several times that some media outlets in their coverage of the events in Syria specifically, and other countries generally, confuse and mix between the position and method of Hizb ut Tahrir with the work of other Islamic organisations and parties whose curricula of thinking and work differs from that of Hizb ut Tahrir's.

Therefore, we would like to clarify the following:

1. Hizb ut Tahrir is a political party whose ideology is Islam. It works for the re-establishment of the Islamic way of life by following the method of Islam in establishing the Khilafah state, derived from the work of the Prophet peace be upon him.

2. The Party has identified its approach as an ideological and political struggle, the Party refuses to perform any violence or armed struggle in its work, as a commitment to the method of the Prophet peace be upon him.

3. What the Party seeks to achieve through establishing the Khilafah state is the commitment to the Legislative rulings that oblige the Muslim Ummah at large to work collectively to destroy the corrupt systems that the West had imposed on the Ummah, then giving bay'ah (pledge of allegiance) to a Khalifah who will govern by the laws of Allah (swt). Therefore, the work to re-establishing the Khilafah is not limited to Hizb ut Tahrir, but it is an obligation upon the Muslims at large.

4. There are parties, organisations and groups that follow different methods with the aim of establishing the Islamic state or the Khilafah state. And although we at Hizb ut Tahrir continuously remind the Ummah of its obligation to work for re-establishing the Khilafah, yet we are not connected to any party regardless of what it is, neither do we have any organizational relationship with any party, and the Hizb does not have any other branches, sections or organisations.

5. The members of Hizb ut Tahrir raise the flag of Islam in their activities, both flag types - Rayah (black) and Liwaa' (white), both bearing the Shahada: "La Ilaha Illa Allah Muhammad Rasoolullah", and they do not carry any other slogan or flag. The flag of 'Oqab is the flag of the Muslims, so if any Muslim, or a group of Muslims or an organization carry this flag, it does not necessarily mean that they are directly or indirectly affiliated with Hizb ut Tahrir.

6. Hizb ut Tahrir has its own media representatives in its own field; it issues leaflets showing the Party's stance on issues and events appended with the Party's signature. Based on this, media outlets should be very careful as they transmit any position and opinion and attribute it to Hizb ut Tahrir, and the communication with the widespread party's media offices is easy, including the Party's Central Media Office in Beirut, therefore media outlets cannot claim that communicating with the Party's media representatives is difficult. We also hope that the public opinion is aware and always investigates for the truth in what is hearsay and what positions are promoted and attributed to Hizb ut Tahrir, whether this was done with good intention or otherwise.

7. Hizb ut Tahrir has explicit and strict positions on adopting the Islamic perception on concepts and on imported and foreign doctrines like secularism, nationalism, democracy and other concepts such as communism, capitalism and "sovereignty belongs to the people not to the Legislator", these are all dangerous concepts which are rejected by Islam in their entirety.

8. The Party does not accept seeking the help of any Kaffir state, nor any system that is an agent to the West, but rather it works for the demolition of these entities that were created by the West and used as a means to separate the unity of the Muslim Ummah.

9. As for the Party's position towards the Islamic organisations, it is based upon communicating with them and advising them for the sake of the work for re-establishing the Khilafah state as long as these organisations abide by the Islamic Creed and Legislative Rulings in their method. The Party has previously taken several positions in supporting their Muslim brothers in other Islamic organisations against the oppression they faced by the oppressive regimes, despite the intellectual contrast or different opinions adopted on different issues. As for the organisations who went to the extent of interpreting and justifying misguided concepts; we exerted them with sincere advice hoping for them rectitude in words and actions.

Osman Bakhach Director of Central Media Office Hizb ut Tahrir



<u>Press Release</u>

A Decade after America's War on Iraq: The Lives of Iraq's Women Have Turned into a Nightmare!

20th March 2013 marks the 10th anniversary of America's war on Iraq, a war waged by America under the pretext of disarming Iraq from weapons of mass destruction and to liberate the Iraqi people from injustice, persecution and oppression they faced. Yet a decade later, Iraqi women are still far from liberation and in fact, their life has turned into a nightmare. Over the past ten years, Iraqi women have suffered - and still suffer - from killing, destruction, displacement, rape and insecurity ... in addition to the presence of thousands of widows who have no breadwinner for them and their children, forcing many to beg in order to provide a living for them and their children.

The war on Iraq was never for the purpose of liberating people and providing for them a descent life, but it was for the purpose of taking control of the oil that Capitalist states like America dribble for. Capitalism has indeed turned America into a beast which does not care about people's lives but is only concerned about achieving economic gains through taking control over Iraq's oil wealth, even if killing the entire Iraqi nation was the price paid.

Dear Muslim sisters in the land of Al-Rasheed:

Indeed, the series of misery will not end until the foreign forces and their allies, including the Iraqi regime, are permanently removed, establishing on the ruins of their thrones the Khilafah state; for it is only the Khilafah that is able to provide security and care for you and your children. It is only through the Khilafah that armies such as the armies of AI-Mu'tassim are simmered to take revenge from whoever violated the honour of a Muslim woman or insulted her. It is only through the Khilafah are the provisions of basic and luxurious needs ensured for you and for your children, if you had no breadwinner, or if your breadwinner was unable to fulfil his duty. And it is only through the Khilafah that your honour will be raised and you will be given the rights of political ...Cont. on p. 36

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We do not accept Violence against Women or by a Document Renouncing Violence against Women!

After a long debate and anticipation, United Nations published on 19/03/2013 on its official website the final text of a document renouncing violence against women. This is not new, as may be described by some, but is to activate the 1994 agreement to renounce violence against women that was signed by the existing regimes in the Islamic world since years ago. The Member States coincided on the final text of the Convention on 15/03/2013. after lengthy discussions between the delegations of the States and an approximation of the views that have reached the final version under the supervision of the Commission on the Status of Women. The latter is a technical committee that monitors global policies on women, and meets annually to assess the progress made by States in achieving gender equality and women's empowerment. The committee is also responsible to follow up and to activate the UN conventions such as the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), and the Beijing Platform for Action, and Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development.

This Agreement preceded by thoughtful and effective media campaign around the world to show that violence against women is the biggest problem in the world, and crimes related to honor remarkably topped local and global media. Let alone the successive reports on the enormity of the situation that has made one feel the problem as the world's first priority. This was followed by a billionth woman march against violence and then adopting the slogan: "a promise is a promise, ending violence against women" as a slogan for International Women's Day. When some Muslims who are jealous for their religion stood up and showed their rejection of this agreement, they were showered by accusations of being anti-women and being backward, how dare people to reject the document to protect women from violence as if this document and those who met are the protectors of women and impregnable fortress!! We have witnessed a campaign of terror and intellectual monopoly of opinion without a clear argument of those who claim to intellectual liberalism and pluralism. This reminded us of those who say that the refusal to make peace with the Jewish occupation entity is an absolute refusal of peace and an invitation to violence. The purpose of the title of the document and the method put forward is to limit views and prevent the dispute while maintaining a style characterized by soft dismantling of other civilization. Convention did not differ from the million woman march against violence.

Hence we see that everyone gasping behind the majority rather than having a principled stance that is serious and sincere to address the underlying causes of the problem. No one wondered on the feasibility of a UN debate on the problem of violence against women among peoples of diverse ideologies and cultures, never heard about global medical gathering to address the symptoms and neglect the real causes! What consensus is expected between those who adhere to the provisions of the Almighty Shariah Laws and those with changing standards and humiliated followers of their own whims?

This document, although being a moral obligation non-binding to those who signed it, is very dangerous and seeks to re-shape the thinking and culture of people to promote certain concepts and attract communities to the compromise zone so as to dilute the ideological, intellectual and cultural differences between countries. Their goal in this is not to protect women, since women in the countries that apply what they call the liberal progressive thought are worse off than others and suffer woes and this is clearly evident in their reports. Here we wonder if they have the cure, why not take the initiative to use and treat their spoiled capitalist civilization!

The purpose is to spread their materialistic view of women and globalizing the erroneous idea about violence against women so that corruption and its inevitable outcome prevail, in other words "she threw me with her disease, then she sneaked." Violence in the western countries, which reached alarming rates, must be matched by other types of violence in the world as they defined. This is apparent in the adoption of what they called a more comprehensive definition of violence against women, as reflected in the final document in Item 10. "The Commission affirms that violence against women and girls is rooted in historical and structural inequality in power relations between women and men, and persists in every country in the world as a pervasive violation of the enjoyment of human rights Gender-based violence is a form of discrimination that seriously violates and impairs or nullifies the enjoyment by women and girls of all human rights and fundamental freedoms. Violence against women and girls is characterized by the use and abuse of power and control in public and private spheres, and is intrinsically linked with gender stereotypes that underlie and perpetuate such violence, as well as other factors that can increase women's and girls' vulnerability to such violence." This document was produced to hide the real aims behind the loose cloak of the so-called violence against women, quite contrary

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meaning that comes to mind. They even categorized advancing males to females in serving food in some communities as a form of discrimination based on their vision and they see it as violence directed against women. As well as they defined discrimination of males to females in education as violence directed against girls and thus a girl deprived from education is considered a victim and may reach a criminal case (at least in theory to the International Criminal Court). In the same vein, full equality denies alleged Muslim women of their rights that have been characterized for her by the Shariah. Such as cases in which women have a higher share in inheritance and alimony and dowry. As well as her right to be protected by men, as Islam considers her honor that must be protected, and other legal provisions which the Almighty Creator of the women has defied for her. Do we call looting rights liberal! Or incriminate what Almighty Allah has prescribed and go backward and lose both realms - God forbid!!

This document harbor hostility to man and considers him the offender and the woman is the victim and this is contrary to the reality and to human's nature "fitrah". What type of security and stability they wish to provide to women by alienating men and criminalization of the son and the father, brother and husband!! This full bias for women and viewing of men as the center of evil is a backward ideology and a reaction to Western cultural heritage that condemned woman and demonized her all that is negative. This deficient and limited view will not do justice to women and does not care to the maintenance and preservation of the family, this kind of discrimination is contrary to the concept of justice and calling it equality is a lie and fraud. Also, the way they address the subject reduces violence in the narrow family framework and ignores State terrorism and bombing innocent civilians indiscriminately with unmanned aircraft and who are most often women and children. They talk about domestic violence and ignore the failure of the international system in facing ethnic cleansing and rape of women as a tool of war in Bosnia, Congo, Myanmar and Syria.

This document is calling to develop legislation to conform to the idea of non-violence according to their definition and consistent with the above covenants and agreements and compatible with human rights and personal freedoms, regardless of the adoption of people of these ideas. It calls to specify a minimum age for marriage and called for considering the sexual and reproductive rights as human rights and the provision of contraceptive methods and training for teens as a way to prevent early pregnancy and preventing disease. It also urged to intervene in the educational curricula and introduction of sex education in order to change social and cultural considerations as provided herein. The document urged all States to lift its reservations to CEDAW and other agreements. The Western countries and some countries such as South Africa and Brazil have ceded on the items on the rights of homosexuals and abortion-related issues, while the Muslim delegations ceded the essence of Islam and its system in life through banal negotiations that is not appropriate for a Muslim to wage. Instead they justify their ugly actions by claiming that they have received some concessions and insisted on introducing the idea of cultural specificity. Whatever this vague privacy they flaunt, can it be compared in any way to the great ideology accomplished by the creator of the universe and humans that prevailed in the world and submitted to its rules?

The crime of the Muslim rulers in the signing of this agreement is great, and what happened is very gravely missed. They did not have the excuse, for they were not forced or compelled to do so. Worse than that is that they did not do it out of ignorance, but they were fully aware of it. The United Nations has published in its website on 20/03/2013 the Conference Preparatory report that was more detailed and comprehensive than the final document. Despite of that, Muslim delegations participated in the discussions of marketing these bankrupted concepts and things Muslim toungue avert to mention, no strength except in God (لاحول ولا قوة إلا بالله).

Even after going they did not offer Islam and its views in life and how Islam and nothing else is to cure what ails humanity. Some of them did not even mention it or bring its topic. How women to be abused and Messenger of Allah peace be upon him says: "رفقاً بالقوارير" "Be kind to your womenfolk" and recommends well care for women and angers for the killing and harming of women of its enemy in case of war.

Oh you who put the great Islam in the same frame with the man-made systems that are unjust for humans and unfounded pagan legacies, know that Allah honored us by Islam, how then we dare to put the religion of our Lord in this place! For evil is what they were doing.

﴿وَاللَّهُ يُرِيدُ أَن يَتُوبَ عَلَيْكُمْ وَيُرِيدُ الذِينَ يَتَبِعُونَ الشَّهَوَاتِ أَن تَمِيلُواْ مَيْلاً عَظِيمًا ﴾

"Allah wants to accept your repentance, but those who follow [their] passions want you to digress [into] a great deviation." [An-Nisa: 27].

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Karzai and Kayani are deceiving their people Pak-Afghan Tension is to Secure the American Presence in the Region

In recent days the escalating diplomatic and military tension between Pakistan and Afghanistan is for the purpose of creating a favorable environment for the permanent presence of American military bases and personnel in Afghanistan, even after 2014, the so-called deadline for a limited withdrawal. The Karzai government is blaming Pakistan for infighting and the rest of their problems in Afghanistan. On the other hand, Pakistan is blaming Karzai administration for supporting terrorists operating in the tribal areas of Pakistan. Karzai and Kayani both are trying to cover the face of real culprit, America. America is behind all bombings and killings taking place in Pakistan and Afghanistan and its agents accuse one another to strengthen the American presence in the region.

America wants to secure the presence of American military bases even after 2014 in the guise of a limited withdrawal of troops, but America is facing a very strong public opinion in Afghanistan against achieving this objective. The Karzai government blamed Pakistan for its internal problems so that they can convince Afghan people that for their security and to stop Pakistan infiltrating in its internal affairs, American presence is required in Afghanistan even after 2014. In order to achieve this objective General Kayani, who earlier secured and consolidated American Raj in Pakistan, has extended his services to consolidate American Raj in Afghanistan as well. General Kayani's recent visit of Jordan was partly to secure this objective, where he met John Kerry, US Secretary of State.

The basic reason of all problems faced by Pakistan and Afghanistan is the American presence in the region, its evil plans and its rotten capitalist system. The traitor rulers of Pakistan and Afghanistan spilled the honorable blood of Muslims extravagantly in the name of fighting the so-called war on terror in order to secure American objectives. The only exit for Pakistan and Afghanistan from this disastrous situation is to uproot the traitor rulers, abolish the capitalist system and replace them with the establishment of Khilafah. The Khilafah will put together the power of Pakistan and Afghanistan under a single leader, a Khaleefah, and then theCont. on p. 37



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The Jordanian Government's Attack on the Honour of our Syrian Sisters will not be Forgiven

On the 31st of March 2013, statements were made by a female member of the Jordanian Parliament attacking the honour and dignity of the noble Syrian Muslim women residing in the notorious refugee camp at Jordan's Zaatari border with Syria. The video recordings of the full speech are available online, however specific details of the MP's abusive language and derogatory references that amounted to unfettered backbiting and slander leaves no room for doubt or justification. And in following high Islamic morals, we do not take part with the Jordanian Parliament members in spreading corruption and deviant devious values or slander. Suffice to say that the MP's comments sweepingly labelled all Syrian women and young girls with the character of low morals, devoid of Islamic conduct and directly accused them of selling themselves for financial gain. In truth, these intolerable foul comments reflects the low moral status of the Jordanian government and its members of parliament. Is it not enough that such an attack has transpired on the helpless and voiceless sisters who are fleeing from a scale of persecution that is unprecedented in recent history! The honourable women of Al-Sham have lost everything in the physical attack by their own leader for standing courageously against his tyranny, only then to face a war of words from another equally ruthless regime in Jordan. It is clear therefore that the shamelessness and lack of regard for good conduct is not the characteristic of our dear Syrian sisters, but those who slander, attack and demean these vulnerable women. How dare they utter a single word of insult against these honourable, dignified women who have demonstrated their true quality as righteous, fearless, and devoted servants of Allah (swt) as opposed to the cowardly, treacherous and shameful behaviour of those Muslim rulers and regimes who have abandoned them to their oppressors!!!

The women of Hizb ut Tahrir fiercely condemn such repulsive, degrading insults against our dear Syrian sisters and recognise that these tactics are but political tools used to distract the world from the Jordanian government's own REAL CRIMES of denying the Syrian Ummah the military protection that is their right, Allah (swt) said, (أورَن اسْتَنْصَرُوكُمْ فِي الدِين فَعَلَيْكُمُ النصر)

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"and if they seek aid from you in the matter of religion, aid is incumbent on you" and we declare their collusion with the international community in aiding the Assad regime through its silent consent and inaction that allows the violation, murder and terror of their neighbouring Muslims. Oh Muslims, the Jordanian government's crimes against our people in Syria, are greater than the words spoken from the rogue in Parliament as it traps over 100,000 Syrians, mostly women and children in a sham refugee camp that is underequipped and offers no physical security as it allows criminals to enter at will to kidnap and physically violate women and girls freely. Reports from the women living in the camps reveal that they fear using the public toilets and even stay awake all night in order to guard their honour. In light of these facts, the shear audacity that the Jordanian MP's have to label our respected Muslim sisters of Syria as immoral in their Islamic conduct is utterly sickening! By Allah (swt), the Lord of the heavens and the earth, the women of Hizb ut Tahrir redirect the finger of blame and point it directly at the Jordanian government itself and all of the Muslim leaders of the world as they have rejected the Command of Allah (swt) when He ordered that the life and honour of the believer should be protected and made it forbidden to slander and insult the chaste Muslim women.

إنّ الذِينَ يَرْمُونَ الْمُحْصَنَاتِ الْعَافِلَاتِ الْمُؤْمِنَاتِ لَعِنُوا فِي الدُنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ عَظِيمٌ»

"Verily, those who accuse chaste women, who never even think of anything touching their chastity and are good believers -are cursed in this life and in the Hereafter, and for them will be a great torment" [TMQ al-Noor: 23]

O People of power and sincere sons of the Muslim armies, o protectors, o followers of Muhammad (sallalahu alaihi wassalam), do these foul insults against the honourable, righteous women of Al-Sham not make your blood boil in rage? We call you to give Nussrah to your sisters and people in Sham. We call you to remove these treacherous rulers and their corrupt regimes who have demonstrated their utter disregard for the honour and sanctity of the Muslimah. We call you to work with Hizb ut Tahrir to establish with urgency the noble Khilafah system that embodies an unsurpassed approach to protecting the dignity of women and under which it mobilized an army of 900,000 with the Khalifah at the lead to defend the honour of just one Muslim woman in Umairah. Indeed great will be the honour, status, reward and station in this Dunya and great rank in Jannah for those men who establish it to attain all its Khair now and later.□

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Islamic Politics: The way forward for the Muslim Ummah



The serialization of how British MP's have been playing the system and exploiting the taxpayer has exposed the systemic corruption within the capitalist democratic system. Like the big bankers before them, MPs have been busy serving themselves rather than serving the people. These events should serve as a reminder to us in the West that entering this corrupt political system is not the way forward for the community. Rather the Muslim community should engage with the wider society with a view to carrying the Dawah of Islam.

The crisis in confidence in the political system is not an isolated problem. It is coupled to a wider collapse in confidence in the west's ideology – Capitalism. The economic crisis and collapse of the financial system, Britain's broken society, wider social breakdown, and human rights abuses committed as part of the war on terror are also symptoms of this ideological decay – they are all linked to the values of capitalism: excess, greed, individualism and materialism.

So what should the Muslim community do?

Firstly, we must look beyond this failed model instead of blindly following it. If once naive people saw some benefit in it they must now realize that it is not only fundamentally defective but it corrupts those who work within the system. We must abandon calls to participate in this political system.

Secondly, we must look at this situation and reflect upon what Allah (swt) has commanded and prohibited us in political life. To join or support secular political parties – whether they are nationalistic, socialist, communist, Baathist, Liberal, Labour or Conservative - is forbidden by Islam. To support a law making process outside of the Shariah of Allah (swt) is prohibited. This is in regards to man-made laws generally but especially in the capitalist system that has taken money as its criteria for deciding what is right and wrong – lawful and unlawful.

إِنِ الْحُكْمُ إِلاَّ لِلَّهِ ﴾

"The hukm rests with none but Allah." [TMQ 12:40]

﴿وَمَن لَّمْ يَحْكُم بِمَا أَنزَلَ اللَّهُ فَأُونُلَئِكَ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ ﴾

"Those who do not judge by what Allah has revealed, then they are the fasiqoon (wrongdoers)" [TMQ 5:47]

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This means we should support the call for a radical alternative in the Muslim world. The rulers in our countries have for decades emulated these Western politicians. Have we seen anything other than corruption, exploitation and treachery from such rulers? The Prophet (Sallallahu alaihi wasallam) said: "لكل غادر لواء يوم القيامية يرفع بقدر غدره، ألا ولا غادر أعظم من أمير عامة"

"Every traitor will have a flag on the Day of Judgement that will be raised as high as his treachery. There is no treachery greater than that of the leader of the masses."

The Muslim world now needs a new politics and new leadership based on the Sunnah of the Prophet Muhammad (Sallallahu alaihi wasallam). This is the politics of the Khilafah State:

- 1. Where laws are from the Shariah and so cannot be manipulated by the rulers
- 2. Where authority is with the people who elect the ruler
- 3. Where there are defined structures of accountability
- 4. Where politics is considered worship to Allah (swt) by serving the people, not exploiting the people, which is the bedrock of politics and economics in the West.

Furthermore in the West, instead of foolishly following this failed system we have to find ways to build our communities and engage with society independent of these corrupt politicians and parties – not voting for them or becoming part of them. A united community, that is not dependent on them for handouts, can engage and present its ideas and viewpoints to all of society with more credibility and effectiveness.

We must work to prevent our own community becoming engulfed by the secular capitalist values that promote individualism, greed and excess. Instead, we must actively promote the noble Islamic values – including consciousness of Allah (swt), decent morals and strong families and communities - amongst ourselves, and to the wider society.

For now, more than ever, the world is looking for an alternative to the disaster of Capitalism's economic, political and social system. It is the Muslim community that needs to show them this alternative, and invite people to this.

«ادْعُ إلى سَبِيل رَبِّكَ بِالْحِكْمَةِ وَالْمَوْعِظةِ الْحَسَنَةِ وَجَادِلْهُم بِالَّتِي هِيَ أَحْسَنُ
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"Call unto the way of your Lord with wisdom and fair exhortation, and reason with them in the better way." [TMQ 16:125]

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Wilayah Sudan: Book Fair at the Bahri Area

Hizb ut Tahrir/ Wilayah Sudan organized an exhibition of Islamic political books from 12 Jumada I 1434 AH, 24 March 2013 until 16 Jumada I 1434 AH, 28 March 2013 at a sea side area. And in parallel was the women's section of Wilayah Sudan with their active participation in the exhibition and there was a women's tent displaying the books of Hizb ut Tahrir, and distributed leaflets and press releases throughout the exhibition, Talks were held daily discussing the concepts of Hizb ut Tahrir and its work. The obligation of this work was also discussed in detail: the establishment of the caliphate for Muslim women. The response and reaction of the attending was positive. Alhamdulilah.



Hizb ut Tahrir/ Indonesia: Rallies to Reject the Bill of Social Organization

On 16 Jumada I 1434 AH, 26 March 2013, Hizb ut Tahrir / Indonesia rallied under its intense rejection of the draft law social organizations currently discussed by the House of Representatives, marched in several major Indonesian cities, most notably the march Jakarta which was attended by more than 5,000 demonstrators surrounding the building of the House of Representatives firmly asserting their refusal of the bill which targets Islam and Muslims. It included participation from various organizations and other Islamic parties in the march in response to the Hizb invite.





Our Real Enemy is not Each Other but the Kuffar who Wishes to Destroy Us!

News:

LAHAD DATU: Eight people who were among a group of Sulu gunmen involved in a stand-off and subsequent attacks against Malaysian security forces, were charged here Wednesday with terrorism and waging war against the Yang Di-Pertuan Agong. No plea was recorded from the eight men, from southern Philippines, after each of them was charged under Section 130 KA of the Penal Code with launching terrorism acts and under Section 121 of the Penal Code with waging war against the King. Section 130 KA provides for a jail term of up to 30 years and while Section 121 provides for the death penalty, upon conviction. Dressed in purple lock-up uniforms, the eight were charged before Sessions Court judge Amelati Parnell, sitting as Magistrate, at the hearing that began about 1pm. Suspects are taken to the court under heavy police escort on Wednesday. Senior federal counsel Datuk Nordin Ahmad led the prosecuting team. The charges were read out Bahasa Malaysia while interpreters translated the proceedings into Suluk and Bajau at the hearing held in a makeshift courtroom at the new district police headquarters here that under tight security since was morning. Upon Nordin's application, Amelati transferred the case to the Tawau High Court for hearing. Immediately after the completion of

the hearing at 1.45pm, the eight accused were seen boarding four trucks under heavy police escort to be taken to Tawau. Media personnel barred from entering the were courtroom and were unable to immediately obtain details of the accused, including their names and ages. [Source: The Star Online]

Comment:

Early this month, Malaysia was suddenly awakened by the standoff between the Malaysian police, armed forces and a band of Sulu (South Philippines) armed Muslim group calling themselves the "Royal Security Forces of the Sultanate of Sulu and North Borneo" in Lahad Datu, Sabah. This standoff was said to have started with the Sultan of Sulu's claim on Sabah, but ended in bloodshed and killing among Muslims. Nine members of the security forces of Malaysia and about 70 of the Sulu 'military members' died. One question that had been playing in the minds of many Malaysians is the fact that this tragedy occurred when the Malaysian 13th General Election (GE) is very close. With the unprecedented increase in corruption, cronvism and all sorts of scandal, this standoff had been described as a conspiracy to cover up all the flaws and weaknesses in the government over the years. In line with all flavors of defamation,

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slander and political recrimination that flourish in a democratic system such as the one in Malaysia, the Lahad Datu tragedy is not spared. Pro-government media, Utusan Malaysia and TV3 have linked the participation of the opposition leader, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim in this tragedy. On the other side of the coin, the Vice President of the People's Justice Party (PKR), Tian Chua, also accused the government of creating a drama. Whether these slanders are true or not, the fact remains that many lives have been lost or sacrificed. The fact is also, when the security forces are fighting in the field, the ruling and the opposition parties are also fighting a war in the media. This is democracy, a system in which the participating parties are left to wallow in it, using whatever issues and ways to discredit their political opponents, all for the sake of gaining votes in the election and for the sake of power.

Among the key questions that need to be resolved here is the claim over Sabah (if true) by the Sultan of Sulu and the infringement issues that occur. Sabah came into Malavsia in 1963 based on the results of the Cobbold Commission, a Commission which was established by the Kuffar colonialists to subdivide Muslim lands. However, as Muslims, it is Allah's rule that counts. Based on the decree of Allah, Muslims are one nation and must unite. But today, Muslims are cut into pieces, each creating their own identity, far from being a united Islamic Ummah. The truth is that Muslims have lived to-

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gether under the auspices of the Caliphate for more than 1300 years. It is only after the advent of colonialism and the treason of Muslim leaders at that time, that the Muslim world, in particular the Muslim Malay archipelago consisting of Malaysia, Singapore, southern Thailand, Brunei, Indonesia and the Philippines are broken into pieces ruled by independent rulers. The poison of assabiyyah and wathaniyyah were planted into the body of the Muslims. With this poison, Muslims are willing to fight and kill one another just to defend their 'nations', which are really based on the false boundaries set by the kuffar colonialists. With this wathanivvah attitude countrymen of a particlular land will defend it from being "invaded" by another 'country' even though they are fellow Muslims. This is exactly what happened to Malaysia and Sulu. Disputes and wars occur when each party claims and fights over territory rights. This feeling of wathaniyyah (patriotism) has closed the feeling of love, brotherhood and unity required by Allah on fellow Muslims.

Based on Islam, the issue of consolation payment to the heir to the throne Sultan of Sulu should not exist and at the same time, we are not supposed to drive out the people of Sulu, who wants to live in Sabah or in any state in Malaysia, because we are all brothers, we must unite and it is haram for a Muslim to wrong let alone kill another Muslim brother. Muslims must understand that wathaniyyah and assabiyyah is haram and whatev-...Cont. on p. 37

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1 0% of Pakistan's Youth Want Islamic Law:

Ahead of crucial elections marking the first democratic transition in Pakistan's history, more than 90% of the youth believe the country is heading in the wrong direction while nearly 40% think Shariah or Islamic law would be the best political system, a survey said. These are among the key findings of a new survey by the British Council focussed on youths between 18 - 29 years. The 'Next Generation Goes to the Ballot Box' report indicated deep pessimism among the youth, many of whom will be voting for the first time. "In 2007, 50% of the youth thought Pakistan was heading in the wrong direction, today that figure is 94%." A majority of respondents (38%) said Shariah would be the best political system for Pakistan while 32% backed military rule and only 29% favoured democracy, according to the survey that covered over 5,200 youths across the country. Those who backed Islamic law said it was the best system for "promoting moral behaviour" eradicating corruption, ensuring access to electricity and water, and providing people with healthcare and education. 64% of male youths described themselves as conservative or religious while the figure for females was 75%.

rab World Faces \$89 Billion Food Gap By 2020:

Deputy Ruler of Dubai and Minister of Finance, has warned that the food crisis in the Arab world is getting bigger expected to reach \$89 billion in 2020. "Estimated at \$41 billion in 2010, the food gap is widening and expected to reach \$89 billion in 2020," he told a conference in Dubai. Currently there is a need for agriculture investment worth \$65-80 billion to fill this gap, Shaikh Hamdan added. He attributed the expansion of food crisis in the Arab region to weak infrastructure, unhealthy investment environment, poor financial resource, lack of scientific researches including undeveloped agriculture services. The Arab world is prey to the global food price volatility, as most countries in the region are net food importers. While most Arab countries are rich in agriculture resources, the total area of cultivated land represent only 5% of the overall lands of the Arab world while it is also represent only 1.4% of the fertilised area available for agriculture. \Box

Orth Korea Warns Military Cleared to Wage Nuclear Attack Against US:

South Korea says North Korea has moved a missile with "considerable range" to its east coast after an unnamed spokesman for the North Korean army warned the U.S. that its military has been cleared to wage an attack using "smaller, lighter and diversified nuclear" weapons.



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South Korea's defence minister said the missile moved is not capable of hitting the US. Kim Kwan-jin dismissed reports in Japanese and South Korean media that the missile could be a KN-08, believed to be a long-range missile that if operable could hit America. Kim told lawmakers that the missile's range is considerable but not far enough to hit the U.S. mainland. He said he did not know the reasons behind the missile movement, saying it "could be for testing or drills." North Korea has railed for weeks against joint U.S. and South Korean military exercises taking place in South Korea expressing anger over tightened sanctions for a February nuclear test.

Burma: Buddhist Torch Mosques:

Lawmaker says at least 20 people have died in 2 days of rioting between Buddhists and Muslims in a central Myanmar town where residents remained locked in their homes, too afraid to walk the streets. Opposition National League for Democracy lawmaker Win Htein told The Associated Press by phone that at least 5 mosques were burned down since the violence started in the town of Meikhtila. He said there was no immediate sign of fresh violence but the situation remains tense. He said fires continued to burn but angry Buddhist residents and monks prevented authorities from putting out fires set to Muslim homes.

Ads are Now Running on San Francisco's Buses:

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Anti-Islam ads appeared on 10 public buses in San Francisco, showing "inflammatory quotes by Islamic fundamentalists" accompanied by "an anonymous terrorist," according to Transportation Nation. The ads are paid for by the American Freedom Defense Initiative, whose executive director, Pamela Geller, told the New York Observer in December, "I refuse to abridge my free speech so as to appease savages." The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency says it cannot reject the ads, based on a September court ruling that decided New York's Metropolitan Transportation Authority could not do so. The American Freedom Defense Initiative has bought space on San Francisco buses before, to display ads that read "In any war between the civilized man and the savage, support the civilized man. Support Israel. Defeat Jihad."

Russia Police Force 3 Muslim Men to Trim their Beards at Gunpoint:

Police officers in Russia forced 3 men in a Muslim cafe to cut their beards at gunpoint. During an inspection of a Muslim cafe in Surgut, police officers threatened visitors with automatic weapons and a lighter. One of the men claims an officer held a lighter to his chin and told him 'cut it off or I will burn it off'. The incident allegedly took place on March 3 in the cafe located near a mosque as the men were eating after evening prayers. One of the men said he was forced to use scissors to cut off his long beard while 15 officers watched. Cont. from p. 7

"The believer is not stung ..." [Hadith]

ut Tahrir now.

Our third duty is to call to ensure the Nussrah for the reestablishment of the Khilafah We must contact our uncles, fathers, brothers and sons in the armed forces to give the Nussrah to Hizb ut Tahrir for the Khilafah. They must reject the false call of the traitor Kayani to support yet another round of democracy. Urge them to Clasp their hands firmly with Hizb ut Tahrir now, remembering their brothersin-arms who preceded them in establishing Islam as a state and a rule in Madinah, by giving the material support (Nussrah) to RasulAllah (saw), such as Saad (ra). When Sa'ad (ra) died, his mother wept and RasulAllah (saw) told her,

"ليرقأ (لينقطع) دمعك، ويذهب حزنك، فإن ابنك أول من ضحك الله له واهتز له العرش"

"Your tears would recede and your sorrow be lessened if you know that your son is the first person for whom Allah smiled and His Throne trembled." [At-Tabarani].

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Anti-Islamic Nature

of Foreign Policy

regime spilt with impunity less than a year ago.

The Australian Government is sending a clear message that it is not only an enemy of Muslims itself, but also a close friend of all those who have enmity for Muslims."

"The question is do Australian policymakers, who carry this anti-Islam policy, really care about the true interests of their own people, in the short and long-term? Are they really aware of the consequences of waging war against a great nation like the Muslims whose return to leading the world is imminent?"

> The Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir in Australia



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to the country are secularism, capitalism, and modern imperialism that have dominated all aspects of life especially in political and economic fields in this country. These threats deface people and causing them to move in the wrong direction.

Thus, the strong energy of this country should be used to reverse this country from misguidance of false ideology to the right direction, not to cause repression towards Ummah activities in particular.

3. Call for the Ummah to work seriously for the establishment of Khilafah. Because only in Khilafah Rahmatan lil 'alamin that Allah (swt) promises will be realized and this country will move in the right direction where people can hold roles through various activities and organizations for the sake of people increasing and gaining honorable positions. Inshaallah. Hasbunallah wa ni'mal wakiil, ni'mal mawla wa ni'man nashiir.□

> Muhammad Ismail Yusanto Spokesperson of Hizb ut Tahrir in Indonesia

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A Decade after America's War on Iraq

participation and economic development.

For this, we call upon you dear sisters in Iraq and in all parts of the world to work with those working for the re-establishment of the righteous Khilafah state, which will rescue you from the life of misery you live in the shade of the rotten Capitalism and the contemporary man-made systems, and thereby allow you to enjoy a dignified and honoured life in this life, and a Jannah that is as wide as the heavens and the earth in the hereafter, by the will of Allah (swt).

(وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَعْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿ بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ ﴾

"And on that day will the believers [too, have cause to] rejoice۞ in Allah's victory."□

> Dr. Nazreen Nawaz Member of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir



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Karzai and Kayani are deceiving their people

combined power of armed forces of Khilafah and sincere Mujahideen will force America to abandon its foothold in the region and run away.

Hizb ut Tahrir reminds the sincere officers in the armed forces of Pakistan that they should seize the traitors within their ranks, who have already sacrificed almost fifty thousand Muslim soldiers and civilians for this American war, in their efforts to make another success story for vet another American evil plan. Continuation of the American presence in the region means the continuous spilling of the sacred blood of Muslim soldiers and civilians while cowardly American solders will be sitting in their air conditioned rooms enjoying the fruits of this war of Fitna. Come forward now and give the Nussrah to Hizb ut Tahrir for the establishment of Khilafah and establish the basis for a powerful state, Khilafah, which will combine the people, armies and resources of Pakistan and Afghanistan, compelling America to leave this region in disgrace and humiliation. \Box

> Shahzad Shaikh Deputy to the Official Spokesman of Hizb ut Tahrir in Pakistan

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er effort or attempt to divide the land of the Muslims such as attempts to separate Sabah from Malaysia, or to separate East Timor or Aceh from Indonesia, or to separate South Sudan and North Sudan or to divide Malaysia and Indonesia and the like, are all haram. What more when Muslims argue over and kill each other in carrying out this unlawfulness. It is a great sin and a colossal disaster for the Muslim Ummah.

الْيُسْ مِنّا مَنْ دَعَا إلَى عَصَبِيّةٍ وَلَيْسَ مِنّا مَنْ قَاتَلَ عَلَى عَصَبِيّةٍ وَلَيْسَ مِنّا مَنْ مَاتَ عَلَى عَصَبِيّةٍ

"It is not from among us those who call upon assabiyyah, on the basis assabiyyah fight and die for (defend) assabiyyah" [HR Abu Dawud].

O Leaders, police, and army! Our real enemy is not each other but the Kuffar who wishes to destroy us. The real mission of a Muslim army is to strive against the Kuffar, to liberate all occupied Muslim territories, freeing the oppressed Muslims and unite the Muslims under the auspices of the State ie the Khilafah. Strive for Allah to defend and consolidate the territories of Islam, in the name of Islam alone, not in the name of wathaniyyah assabiyyah which is forbidden by Allah (swt).

> Dr. Muhammad Malaysia

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Draft Constitution of the Khilafah State

Article 8: Arabic is the language of Islam and the sole language of the State.

Article 9: Ijtihaad (exertion to derive the Islamic rule) is fardh kifaayah (a collective duty). Every Muslim has the right to exerciseijtihaad if he has acquired the necessary conditions to perform it.

Article 10: There is no such thing as a clergy in Islam as all Muslims bear the responsibility for Islam. The State will prevent anything that indicates the existence of a clergy among Muslims.

Article 11: The primary function of the State is the propagation of the call (da'wah) to Islam.

Article 12: The only evidences to be considered for the divine rules (aHkaam shar'iyyah) are: the Qur'an, the Sunnah, the consensus of the Companions (ijmaa' as-SaHaabah) and analogy (qiyaas). Legislation cannot be taken from any source other than these evidences.□

Book of the Month:



Since the end of Islamic rule in the Indian Subcontinent through the occupation of the British colonialist and the subsequent destruction of the Khilafah of the Ummah, we have suffered for decades under successive rules of democracy and dictatorship, despite the fact that Pakistan was created in the name of Islam.

However, for years now, there are evident signs throughout the Ummah of the return of Islam as a state and rule. The call for Islam is now strong within the entire Ummah, from Tunisia to Syria and right across to Indonesia. Pakistan is no exception and our enemies fear that as it is the most powerful Muslim state:

• A survey supported by the US Department of Homeland Security and conducted by the University of Maryland between December 2006 and February 2007, revealed that the majority of Muslims in Pakistan held a personal goal, "to unify all Islamic

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countries into a single Islamic state or Caliphate (Khilafah)."

• In an interview in March 2009, David Kilcullen, advisor to the US CENT-COM Commander, said, "Pakistan has 173 million people, 100 nuclear weapons, an army bigger than the US Army... We're now reaching the point (of) ...an extremist takeover -that would dwarf everything we've seen in the war on terror today."

• An article published in the *New Yorker* on 16 November 2009 stated, "The principal fear is mutiny-that extremists inside the Pakistani military might stage a coup...A senior Obama Administration official brought up Hizb ut Tahrir... whose goal is to establish the Caliphate (Khilafah)."

• As for the Hindu state, a senior official from Indian Intelligence Agency, RAW, said in the same article, "Our worries are about the nuclear weapons in Pakistan. Not because we are worried about the mullahs taking over the country; we're worried about those senior officers in the Pakistan Army who are Caliphates ... Some of the men we are watching have notions of leading an Islamic army."

A great change is occurring in has Pakistan and there been significant progress in recent People vears. have rejected democracy and dictatorship as of the colonialist. tools They understand that neither system has any semblance to Islam. People are aware that any leadership that enters the existing system can only bring more failure, neglect and problems. The grass roots debate has now reached the stage that the

people are asking about how Islam will practically manage their affairs. People are asking specifics of a constitution based on Islam, derived from the noble Quran and the blessed Sunnah.

Hizb ut Tahrir has prepared a complete body of knowledge about the Khilafah. This includes a 190 article Introduction of the Constitution, complete with Islamic evidence. It also includes a library of books discussing the details of the systems and policies that the Khilafah will implement. As for Hizb ut Tahrir's work in Pakistan, for years the Shabaab have been clarifying Islam's vision for Pakistan through live discussions, seminars, conferences, presentations, leaflets, booklets, press releases, videos and audios amongst other styles. And now Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Pakistan as part of that efforts has issued a booklet. "Return of the Khilafah."

This booklet outlines a vision of the Khilafah about some of the current problems Pakistan is facing in the following areas: Revenue and expenditure, Electricity, Inflation, Military doctrine, India, Education, Baluchistan, Karachi. This booklet is a clarification that far from solving the problems of Pakistan: democracy and dictatorship are the cause. It is an invitation to the people to study with Hizb ut Tahrir the specifics of the Khilafah and to work with it to make it realized. And it is a sincere advice to all those who still put their faith in the corrupt, man-made systems of democracy and dictatorship, to reject them and work for the Return of the Khilafah.

