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Rishi Sunak's Government Bans Hizb ut Tahrir and Slanders it with Falsehood and Lies, Brandishing the Sword of "Anti-Semitism" in the face of those who Oppose the Massacre Committed by the Jewish entity in Gaza

Last Thursday, January 18, 2024, the British government put the request to ban Hizb ut Tahrir to a vote in Parliament, where the ban was approved by a few members who were present at the session. This is after they carried out what was falsely called a debate of the proposed resolution, while in reality it is a set of political speeches to deceive the public opinion, in order to give license to the Jewish entity to continue its daily massacres against the people of Palestine, and to brandish the sword of "anti-Semitism" in the face of public opinion so that it does not demonstrate or demand resistance against the occupation.

Thus, quite simply, the party is banned after it has worked openly in Britain throughout four decades, as it was not recorded that it carried out any material action in Britain or anywhere in the world during this period. And those biased against it, were unable to prove their lies and slander that Hizb ut Tahrir has anything to do with terrorism. And today, here comes Rishi Sunak's government with the miserable excuse, that the Hizb is a terrorist organization because of its position on the Gaza war!

Rishi Sunak's Security Minister was unable to present at the session real evidence of the existence of terrorist acts, but rather what he said was that the Hizb called on the Muslim armies to rise and move and fight the army of the Jewish entity. As for the rest of his "evidence", it is nothing but the same broken record of the Zionist lobby in the United Kingdom, who provided him with reports speaking about the fears of British Jews regarding the pro-Palestine demonstrations! This is his "evidence", while the rest of his talk was a political speech containing false slander and fallacies about the Hizb being anti-Semitic, and a re-narration of events as fed to him by the Jewish entity. For them, history began on the morning of October 7th, 2023, as if the conflict with the occupation on the land of Palestine had not existed before that day! They also repeated the allegations of the Jewish entity media about the killing children and the rape of women, while the reports and video testimonies of confessions of the occupation soldiers and settlers confirm that orders were given to them to bomb the settlements with everyone in them. The occupation police were also unable to find the victims of the alleged raping. Suffice it to recall the scandal that US President Joe Biden fell into when he conveyed the lie of the Jewish entity about the beheading of children, and then it turned out that they had lied to him and to the world.

The audacity of Rishi Sunak's Security Minister in misleading the public opinion is shown when he overlooked the statements and actions of the politicians of the Jewish entity that were reported by the international media and published in newspapers, and which truly require prohibition and punishment, including:

- Benjamin Netanyahu's statement, who said: "We will turn Gaza into a deserted island."
- Netanyahu also cited a Jewish narration that says: "Now go and destroy all they have, and do not leave behind man, woman, child, or infant, or oxen, or sheep, or camels, or donkeys."
- Minister of Heritage Amihai Eliyahu's statement to drop a nuclear bomb on Gaza.

- A statement by the Minister of Finance Bezalel Smotrich, who called for the deportation of the people of Gaza.
- A statement by the Minister of National Security in the Jewish entity, Itamar Ben-Gvir, that the only thing that will enter Gaza are hundreds of tons of explosives that will be dropped by the air force.
- A statement by Defense Minister Yoav Gallant, who said: “We are fighting animals in Gaza.”
- A statement by the spokesman for the Jewish entity’s army, Daniel Hagari, that the focus is on destruction, not accuracy.
- A statement by the president of the entity, Isaac Herzog, that talking about the irresponsibility of civilians is incorrect.
- Knesset member Merav Ben Ari’s statement that “the children of Gaza are the ones who brought this on themselves.”
- A statement by the former Jewish entity’s ambassador to the United Nations, Dan Gillerman, that the people of Palestine are terrible, inhuman animals.
- A statement by the famous researcher and media personality Mordechai Kadar that the likening of Palestinians to animals is an insult to animals.

In addition to the statements of Zionist journalists, media professionals, and researchers hosted by channels affiliated with the Jewish entity, who incite the complete destruction of Gaza.

Perhaps the Security Minister’s ambition to be Prime Minister instead of Sunak (as he stated repeatedly) made him turn a blind eye to these statements by the politicians of the Jewish entity, and rather eager to offer the ban of Hizb ut Tahrir as a sacrifice to the Zionist lobby, which seems to be running loose the corridors of the Palace of Westminster, so that perhaps he will find their favor next time.

As for the rest of the speakers who attended the session, their talk was no more than political flirtation among themselves, as they did not challenge any of the Minister of Security’s allegations, but rather they added to his lies with even bigger lies, like some of them saying that Hizb ut Tahrir receives support from Iran! And them saying that killing and exterminating Jews is the party’s priority! In addition to their denial that the party transmits the voice of the suffering of the people of Palestine to Muslims in Britain! Also the speakers did not hesitate to express their dissatisfaction with seeing demonstrations in support of the people of Palestine, and they did not hesitate to describe them as “vile” and describe those who attend them as “the worst parts of society.” They repeated the Zionist propaganda that they were demonstrations of hatred and anti-Semitism, while in reality they were demonstrations against the Jewish entity occupying Palestine, which is what Hizb ut Tahrir in Britain explicitly stated in its previous statements. But the speakers’ bias toward the Jewish entity is clear as day where some of them declared that they have participated in demonstrations “against anti-Semitism,” which in reality were demonstrations biased towards and in support of the Jewish entity, where the flags of the Jewish entity were raised from beginning to end, and the slogans, comments and opinions of those who attended were largely about the ongoing war in Palestine, as was clear in the interviews that were reported from within the demonstrations.

This is the policy of double standards. When the Jewish entity’s army bombed the Baptist Hospital in Gaza and killed more than 500 victims who were in the hospital’s courtyard, Rishi Sunak doubted the source of the missile that struck the hospital, and that is because the Jewish entity wanted to evade responsibility for the bombing. But when the army of the Jewish entity subsequently bombed the rest of Gaza’s hospitals, schools, bakeries, mosques and churches, and bombed the migrants as they moved between its cities, cutting off water and electricity from them, and did not hesitate to adopt and justify all these actions, Rishi Sunak no longer saw that these atrocities were worth his attention!

It seems that the politicians of the current British government are Zionists to the core. Even the “government commissioner for combating extremism,” whom the Minister of Security thanked for the advice he provided about banning the Hizb, is blatantly biased against Islamists. He was carefully selected for this position, as he has a history of working in institutions that are extremely hateful of Islamists, such as those closely linked to former US President Donald Trump. Muslims have not forgotten the infamous travel ban that Trump imposed on Muslims coming to America. In addition to other research centers, the government commissioner moved in between before assuming

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his position. These institutions that are immersed from head to toe in incitement against the ideas of Islam, against Muslim immigrants, and against Islamists. Rather, this government commissioner's hatred has reached the point that he considers the term "Islamic" synonymous with the term "extremism," as he stated in one of his articles for the Heritage Foundation. How can the responsibility of such a position be given to a person who is politicized and biased against Islam and Muslims in this way?!

This is the Rishi Sunak government and its politicians who decided to ban Hizb ut Tahrir; They carry a hidden hatred, and they are tools of a Zionist agenda, which wants Muslims in Britain to stand by and watch the killing and starvation of their brothers in Gaza and not to be angry about that nor to demand that the Muslim armies move to support them. Rishi Sunak's government wants Muslims not only to be devoid of the feelings of Islam, but it wants them to be completely devoid of feelings so that nothing of their humanity remains!

It is clear that Rishi Sunak's government is wearing the guise of the Conservative Party, while in reality it is an extreme right-wing group similar to the neoconservatives who took power in America in 2001 and announced the infamous "War on Terror" campaign, due to which millions of Muslims were killed. Let us remember that one of the most important elements of that campaign was the policy of frightening Muslims in the West from objecting to America and its allies' killing of their brothers in Muslim countries. This is the view of Rishi Sunak's government towards Muslims in Britain today. It wants them to watch the killing of children and women of their brothers/sisters in Palestine and remain silent and do nothing! It wants to make Muslims in Britain walking bodies without souls, using the same logic expressed by George Bush Jr. when he told the world, "You are either with us or with the terrorists," so every Muslim has become for them a terrorist until he says what they say!

Rishi Sunak's government has been unable to confront the argument with argument and provide evidence for its slander, and therefore it will fail in front of the public opinion. It has brought society into a stage of intellectual repression, and has unknowingly unleashed state institutions to act with society on this basis. Such actions, which are blatantly contradictory and corrupt, erode the morale of societies and kill their vitality. Everyone sees the massacre taking place against the people of Palestine, and everyone sees that what the government did was an attempt to silence the Hizb from exposing the crime, and to frighten Muslims from collective thinking. It's as if Sunak's government is saying something like: "You Muslims are forbidden from thinking about all solutions"! Everyone knows that the Hizb's actions over the past four decades were intellectual and political actions that had nothing to do with terrorism, and therefore this ban will mark the entry into the phase of striking the public opinion whenever it contradicts the opinion of the authority.

Hizb ut Tahrir's call is clear and simple; The renaissance of the Islamic Ummah, its unity, and the return of its Khilafah (Caliphate) as it was during the time of the Companions, in word and deed, and this has become a firm pillar in the heart of every Muslim who loves Islam and cares for its interests. Therefore, the call of Hizb ut Tahrir will remain, by Allah's will, steadfast, bright and pure, making its way to its goal, all for sake of pleasing Allah.

So be patient, our people in Britain. Be with Allah, Glory be to Him, for He is sufficient for you and He is your Supporter, and remember that your deeds should be sincere for His sake, Glory be to Him. Allah has promised Muslims empowerment again, as we were given good tidings by His Prophet (saw) and Allah will not break His promise, so be of good tidings. He has mentioned to us in the Holy Qur'an about the changing conditions of countries and nations. He reminded us that the whole matter is under his dominion, before and after the rise and fall of countries.

Allah (swt) says:

الم * غَلِبَتِ الرُّومُ * فِي أَدْنَى الْأَرْضِ وَهُمْ مِّنْ بَعْدِ غَلِبِهِمْ سَيَغْلِبُونَ * فِي بضعِ سنينَ لِلّهِ الْأَمْرُ مِن قَبْلُ وَمِن بَعْدُ وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ * بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ يَنْصُرُ مَن يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ * وَعَدَ اللَّهُ لَا يُخْلِفُ اللَّهُ وَعَدَهُ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ * يَعْلَمُونَ ظَاهِرًا مِّنَ الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَهُمْ عَنِ الْآخِرَةِ هُمْ غَافِلُونَ

“Alif-Lām-Mīm *The Romans have been defeated* in a nearby land.¹ Yet following their defeat, they will triumph *within three to nine years.¹ The ‘whole’ matter rests with Allah before and after ‘victory’. And on that day the believers will rejoice *at the victory willed by Allah. He gives victory to whoever He wills. For He is the Almighty, Most Merciful *‘This is’ the promise of Allah. ‘And’ Allah never fails in His promise. But most people do not know *They ‘only’ know the worldly affairs of this life, but are ‘totally’ oblivious to the Hereafter.” [Ar-Rum 1-7].

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Press Release

The 28th of Rajab this Year is a Greater Reminder than All Previous Years that the Return of the Khilafah (Caliphate) is an Urgent Necessity

The anniversary of the fall of the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the 28th of Rajab comes this year and has a more memorable impact than the years that preceded it. It comes with the wound of Palestine flowing with more blood than ever before, reminding us that the issue of the loss of Palestine was and still is closely linked to the fall of the Khilafah. Since the Khilafah was destroyed on the 28th of Rajab in the year 1342 AH, since that day Palestine has been under direct colonial occupation, and no one has liberated it from the countries created by Sykes and Picot.

Indeed, the Gaza war this year points its finger at the Islamic Ummah, asking, "Why did you not support us?!", and the Islamic Ummah looks at itself, is puzzled, and asks, "Why were we not able to support them?" The answer is that the Islamic Ummah is not free, but rather a prisoner of Sykes-Picot (borders agreement). The reality of Muslim countries is that they are a prison for their people. It is a reality that cannot be escaped from, and whoever crosses it enters the malicious cycle that feeds itself. A prisoner cannot free another prisoner.

The Gaza war today is the strongest evidence that the Khilafah is an urgent need for the Islamic Ummah, as it is capable of gathering the forces of the Muslim peoples and allocate them to where they should be. It is not permissible for it to fail in supporting the Muslims. Let us remember that the blessed land of Palestine has always received victory from all Muslims. Since the mission of the Messenger of Allah (saw), the hearts of Muslims have longed for the blessed land, as it is the first of the two qiblahs, the land of the Night Journey and Ascension, the land of Rabat, the land of Resurrection, the battlefield of the mujahideen, and the best record of the victory of Islam.

Therefore, in this hour, the hour of difficulty, and with this anniversary, the anniversary of the destruction of the Khilafah, we call on the Islamic Ummah to work to establish the Khilafah, remembering the stark truth that Palestine was given to the Zionists when the Khilafah was destroyed, and it will not return except with the return of the Khilafah. This is enough (reason) for the Islamic Ummah to work with seriousness and intentional to restore it.

To the People of Power and Protection, we say:

O Soldiers in the Muslim Armies, the Ummah is calling on you, so where is your chivalry?! It gave you its sons as soldiers at your disposal, and bought you weapons with its money, and today it is screaming with a full mouth: "Where are you, O Muslim armies?!" Will you support it out of kindness to it and loyalty to your Deen?

O Soldiers in the Muslim Armies, do not wait for military mobilization orders to come from the rulers, for they have imbibed treason in their hearts until they have become the definition of treason. Do not wait for the approval of the West, as it is keen to keep you in the barracks, and for you not to move unless it wants to use you to kill your families and destroy your own homes. Rather, rely on Allah (swt) alone, who has strengthened His soldiers, and on the Islamic Ummah who has been and still is supporting you with money and lives.

To the media, opinion makers, and those with pulpits, pens, and platforms... Have you not understood it yet?!

They are two inevitable truths: Palestine was lost when the Khilafah was lost, and Sykes-Picot borders are

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a large prison designed to imprison Muslims... Therefore, no matter how hard you try, no matter how much you search, and no matter how much you experiment, these two truths are the two chains that shackles the Islamic Ummah to the ground and prevent its revival. These two chains were created in the corridors of the colonialist Kafir West, and therefore you see that the West is most keen on preserving these two facts. Western politicians and their media forbid the presenting of the Khilafah as a political system and are fiercely hostile to its foundations, such as Sharia law, jihad, and Islamic life. The West is also prepared to recognize the most corrupt rulers and regimes in Muslim countries, and to overlook their crimes and even protect them from accountability, as long as they preserve Sykes-Picot borders and its geopolitical function; which is to colonize and divide Muslim countries. Therefore, you have a great task, which is to raise awareness of public opinion in the Islamic Ummah and correct its compass towards working to restore the Khilafah by demanding that the people of Nusra (material support) take action, rid the countries of Sykes-Picot, and establish the Khilafah. So do your part and remind people that the blessed land of Palestine was lost when the Khilafah was lost, and that the Sykes-Picot agreement is a large prison designed to imprison Muslims.

To the entire Islamic Ummah:

O Muslims, there is no doubt that blood boils in your veins as you watch the killing of the people of Gaza and their abandonment by the rulers. This is intentional, as they want to make you feel helpless so that you think there is no solution. But the truth is that the solution exists, and it begins with your calls that you called this time, which are, **“Where are you, Muslim armies?!”, “Open the borders for us!”**. In fact, the solution begins with the Muslim armies moving, removing the traitorous rulers, and returning the second blow to the Jewish entity after it has received the first blow from the people of Gaza. Such a move can only succeed by breaking down the gates of the Sykes-Picot prison and abolishing the borders between Muslim countries so that they can all go to support the blessed land of Palestine, and this is something that only armies in Muslim countries can do, because they are the people of power and protection. They are the actual people of Nusrah.

Indeed, establishing the Khilafah is an urgent need for the Islamic Ummah, it can only be achieved by the Muslim armies, as they are capable of supporting Gaza and they are also capable of establishing the Khilafah. So, hasten to the serious work immediately to establish the second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood. Allah (swt) says:

وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيُمَكِّنَنَّ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِي ارْتَضَى لَهُمْ وَلَيُبَدِّلَنَّهُم مِّن بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنًا يُعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ بِي شَيْئًا وَمَن كَفَرَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ

“Allah has promised those who have believed among you and done righteous deeds that He will surely grant them succession [to authority] upon the earth just as He granted it to those before them and that He will surely establish for them [therein] their religion which He has preferred for them and that He will surely substitute for them, after their fear, security, [for] they worship Me, not associating anything with Me. But whoever disbelieves¹ after that - then those are the defiantly disobedient” [An-Nur: 55].

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Children in Gaza are Eating Animal Feed to Survive!

The BBC has reported on the people living in the isolated north of Gaza and have documented that children are going without food for days. Aid convoys are increasingly denied permits to enter by the Jewish entity. The UN has warned that acute malnutrition among young children in the north has risen sharply and is now above the critical threshold of 15%. The UN's humanitarian coordination agency, OCHA, says more than half the aid missions to the north of Gaza were denied access last month and that there is increasing interference from Jewish forces in how and where aid is delivered.

Some residents have resorted to grinding animal feed into flour to survive, but even stocks of those grains are now dwindling, they say. People have also described digging into the soil to access water pipes for drinking and washing.

An estimated 300,000 people are reported to be living in northern areas of Gaza, and they are almost completely cut off from assistance. As a result, there is now a growing risk of famine.

A local medical aid worker, Mahmoud Shalabi in Beit Lahia, said people had been grinding grains used for animal feed into flour, but that even that was now running out he said; "People are not finding it in the market. It's unavailable nowadays in the north of Gaza and Gaza City. What we had was actually from the six or seven days of truce [in November], and whatever aid was allowed into the north of Gaza has been consumed by now. What people are eating right now is rice, and only rice."

The World Food Programme (WFP) informed the BBC that Jewish entity forces had halted four out of the last five aid convoys to the north, resulting in a two-week gap between deliveries to Gaza City. In a methodical act of lies and propaganda a spokesman for the Jewish military agency tasked with coordinating aid access in Gaza said in a briefing last month that there was "no starvation in Gaza. Period." The agency, Cogat, has repeatedly said it does not limit the humanitarian aid sent to Gaza.

We know that the harsh truth and horrific reality of the situation in Gaza is being blocked and the sources on the ground prove otherwise.

How can our dear, pure, beloved children of Gaza be treated as animals in this manner! Surely, the rulers of the Muslim countries must be held accountable for their assistance in these crimes as they hold back the Muslim armies. We as an Islamic Ummah can never accept the evil that is ebbing unleashed in the name of fake self-defence and the freedom to challenge Allah (swt). O Islamic Ummah, call out the idleness of the regimes and distance yourself from history being written in the advancement of the plans of Shaytan. So that Allah will have mercy on us on the Day of Resurrection from His severe torment.

أَلَيْسَ اللَّهُ بِكَافٍ عَبْدَهُ وَيُخَوِّفُونَكَ بِالَّذِينَ مِنْ دُونِهِ وَمَنْ يُضِلِلِ اللَّهُ فَمَا لَهُ مِنْ هَادٍ * وَمَنْ يَهْدِ اللَّهُ فَمَا لَهُ مِنْ مُضِلٍّ أَلَيْسَ اللَّهُ بِعَزِيزٍ ذِي انْتِقَامٍ * وَلَئِنْ سَأَلْتَهُمْ مَنْ خَلَقَ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ لَيَقُولُنَّ اللَّهُ قُلْ أَفَرَأَيْتُمْ مَا تَدْعُونَ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ إِنْ أَرَادَنِيَ اللَّهُ بِضُرٍّ هَلْ هُنَّ كَاشِفَاتُ ضُرِّهِ أَوْ أَرَادَنِي بِرَحْمَةٍ هَلْ هُنَّ مُمْسِكَاتُ رَحْمَتِهِ قُلْ حَسْبِيَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ يَتَوَكَّلُ الْمُتَوَكِّلُونَ * قُلْ يَا قَوْمِ اعْمَلُوا عَلَىٰ مَكَانَتِكُمْ إِنِّي فَسُوفَ تَعْلَمُونَ * مَنْ يَأْتِيهِ عَذَابٌ يُخْزِيهِ وَيَحِلُّ عَلَيْهِ عَذَابٌ مُّقِيمٌ

“Is not Allah enough for his Servant? But they try to frighten thee with other (gods) besides Him! for such as Allah leaves to stray, there can be no guide. And such as Allah doth guide there can be none to lead astray. Is not Allah Exalted in Power, (Able to enforce His Will), Lord of Retribution? If indeed thou ask them who it is that created the heavens and the earth, they would be sure to say, "Allah". Say: "See ye then? the things that ye invoke besides Allah,- can they, if Allah wills some Penalty for me, remove His Penalty?- Or if He wills some Grace for me, can they keep back his Grace?" Say: "Sufficient is Allah for me! In Him trust those who put their trust." Say: "O my People! Do whatever ye can: I will do (my part): but soon will ye know- "Who it is to whom comes a Penalty of ignominy, and on whom descends a Penalty that abides."” [Az-Zumar: 36-40]

A Pending and Necessary Demise



King Abdullah II of Jordan recently visited the White House to receive instructions on his role in the ongoing genocide in Gaza. Biden was keen on involving the Jordanian regime in its plans to broker a ceasefire between the Zionist entity and Hamas. He is committed to reaching an agreement. “The key elements of the deal are on the table,” Biden said alongside the king, though “there are gaps that remain.” He said the U.S. would do “everything possible” to make an agreement happen including a pause in fighting for at least six weeks and the release of the remaining hostages held by Hamas. He also emphasized the importance of the Palestinian Authority in assuming responsibilities in Gaza in the event that Hamas is no longer in power, stating, “they must prepare to build a state that accepts peace, does not harbor terrorist groups like Hamas and Islamic Jihad.”

This followed a round of meetings with American politicians including Secretary of State Blinken, Defense Secretary Austin, and the National Security Advisor, who have been frequent visitors to the Middle East, emphasizing their strong military support for the Zionist entity. These visits also exerted political pressure on right-wing leaders in Netanyahu's government to align with American goals for a two-state solution.

This blatant disregard by the U.S. for the Ummah is one that is no longer concealed. It has left the U.S. exposed before the world. The unparalleled arrogance and aggression displayed in endorsing terrorism and genocide while claiming to facilitate peace negotiations is a hypocrisy that the world witnesses and sees through. These stances put an overwhelming amount of pressure on the agents that cling to the West's cloak.

It's no longer a question that the Jordanian regime is engaged in a struggle for its survival, which is evident in its alliances with the U.S. and U.K. and their frequent meetings. This underscores their fear and the instability of their reigns. The Jordanian regime mistakenly believes that its collaboration with the Zionist entity and the West can forestall its imminent downfall.

The entire Ummah condemns the reprehensible positions taken by the United States and the inaction of the Jordanian regime. They seek an escape from their leaders and the flawed global order. True transformation can only be achieved through the downfall of the West's agents and political entities and a profound embrace of the Islamic ideology, via the reestablishment of the Khilafah (Caliphate) that will put the liberation of Palestine as a priority and dismantle the network of agents and systems that occupy the Muslim world.

مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ اتَّخَذُوا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ أَوْلِيَاءَ كَمَثَلِ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ اتَّخَذَتْ بَيْتًا وَإِنَّ أَوْهَنَ
الْبُيُوتِ لَبَيْتُ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ لَوْ كَانُوا يَعْلَمُونَ

“The parable of those who take protectors other than Allah is that of a spider spinning a shelter. And the flimsiest of all shelters is certainly that of a spider, if only they knew.” [Al-Ankabut: 41]

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ANSWER TO QUESTION

The Pakistani Elections



Answer:

The elections took place in Pakistan after they were postponed for months. Samaa TV reported on 11 February 2024 “According to the results announced so far, independent candidates have managed to win 101 seats. It is worth mentioning that out of these 101 independent candidates, 92 are supported by the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf while nine are general independent candidates. PML-N is in the second position with 75 seats, while the PPP has won 54 seats.” (Source). These elections were intended to lead the country towards political stability. This is after a difficult period of chaos that followed Parliament’s no-confidence motion against Imran Khan’s government in 9 April 2022 and his subsequent overthrow. Then, Shehbaz Sharif, the brother of Nawaz Sharif, assumed the post of the Prime Minister in Pakistan on behalf of the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz. After that, stormy protests erupted in the country... As for where things are now headed, after the elections in Pakistan, the following matters must be considered:

1- Pakistan is one of the most important Muslim countries. Its large population of 250 million people makes it a large human reservoir, to both turn the economic wheel and provide human resource for the army. Pakistan is one of the unique countries in the world in respect to both human resource and military power, as well as being in a strategic location.

2- Today, Pakistan is considered one of the poor countries in the world. This is despite the abundance of fertile agricultural plains and water. This is despite its industrial capabilities. This is despite human resource capable of running the world’s largest economies. This is all due to the failed policies that America is pushing, financial and administrative corruption, and the spread of the illness of dependence on others, such as China or America. This hinders any attempt at economic progress. The country suffered from the catastrophic floods in 2022 that destroyed agricultural lands. Then, the state was unable to provide any solutions of value. In addition to economic failure, there is complete failure in all fields in Pakistan, the most prominent failure being in governance, over the decades.

3- The Islamic jihadi spirit exploded in Pakistan in a manner that struck fear throughout the world. This was due to the impact of the Kashmir issue, as well as the

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Question:

Reuters reported on 19 February 2024, “Pakistan’s two major parties are set to meet on Monday to try and bridge differences over forming a minority coalition government after an inconclusive election, a top party official said, underscoring political and economic instability... Monday’s talks will be the fifth such round after former Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif was named by his Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) party to lead the country again.” (Source) The Pakistani elections were held on 8 February 2024, after being postponed. Did the meetings on the aforementioned Monday mean the exclusion of the independents loyal to Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) from power? Are the accusations of electoral fraud and manipulation real? Where are matters heading after the elections in Pakistan?

impact of the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan, followed by the American occupation of Afghanistan. Many events over the decades have revealed a solid fighting spirit, which is deeply rooted in the Islamic Aqeedah (doctrine) of the Pakistani people. There were numerous Islamic jihadi movements to liberate Kashmir and Afghanistan. There were calls to support Muslims all over the world. The movements of what the West calls political Islam took root in Pakistan, the most well-known of which was the call to establish the Khilafah (Caliphate)... Due to all this, the explosion of Islam in Pakistan has made Pakistan, along with neighboring Afghanistan, a second center of Islamic political gravity, after the Middle East.

4- The Pakistan Army is considered a formidable military force to be reckoned with, armed with lethal weapons and nuclear capabilities. Due to the long history of conflict with India, America is pushing Pakistan Army towards civil war inside Pakistan. It is pushing Pakistan Army to clash and conflict with the Taliban movement, which returned to power in the year 2021, in Afghanistan. America is also pushing Pakistan Army towards the Iranian border. This is all in order to enable India to participate in America's strategy, to stop the rise of China, and preoccupy China with the possibilities of war with India. Before all of this, America had succeeded in making Pakistan a corridor for it to reach Afghanistan, during its occupation from 2001-2021. Despite all of this, America's eyes do not lose sight of the strategic risks due to the strength of Pakistan Army for a moment. So on 13 October 2022, US President Biden called Pakistan, "one of the most dangerous nations in the world," as reported on the White House website. (Source). This is despite all of the servile agency of the military and political leadership in Pakistan, and its facilitation of American policies.

5- What increases the importance of Pakistan is that China, which is America's most prominent international rival, looks upon Pakistan in a special way. It supports Pakistan against India. China supplies Pakistan with weapons. China invests tens of billions of dollars in Pakistan, in the form of loans, and some grants, to support infrastructure, roads, ports, and industries. Although America has control and influence in Pakistan, it views these Chinese efforts, and investments, in Pakistan, with suspicion.

6- In light of these facts, the first thing that must be realized, when considering the political events in Pakistan, is that the head of kufr, America, has focused upon Pakistan Army and its military leadership. It is the key to domination and influence inside Pakistan. One of the major outcomes of American control over Pakistan Army, and its military leadership, is the distancing of the country from conflict, and war, with India. This is despite the continuous Indian provocations in Kashmir, which are even increasing in their frequency. Also among those outcomes is Pakistani Army's approach to civil

war, and its ignition of war in northwest Pakistan, to eliminate the mujahideen, who were supporting their brothers in Afghanistan during the American occupation of Afghanistan. Also amongst these outcomes are clashes that occur from time to time with Afghanistan. In addition to those outcomes, is that the American invasion of Afghanistan was all passing through the doors of Pakistan. So, the American control over the military leadership in Pakistan is what makes Pakistan a state that is an agent to America.

7- Pakistan Army completely controls the country. It interferes in the political life, as well as that of the political parties, in the country. Whenever matters get out of control, Pakistan Army intervenes with a military coup, and overthrows the rulers. Two political parties traditionally govern the country, the Pakistan Muslim League- Nawaz Sharif (PML-N) and the Pakistan People's Party (PPP). The former is viewed as a right-wing party, whilst the latter is considered a left-wing party. The former enjoys broad support in the Punjab province, whilst the latter enjoys broad support in the Sindh province. There is failure by both parties throughout history. Leaders from both parties are immersed in corruption, whilst the leadership acts as feudal lords over Pakistan. However, in the face of this chronic failure, and great resentment within Pakistan, which is driving people towards movements advocating political Islam, Pakistan Army decided to change the equation. So, Pakistan Army brought in Imran Khan, who was the leader of a not-so-large party at the time, the PTI, and whose voice was loudest against corruption. After major accusations, and judicial proceedings, against the former Prime Minister, and leader of PML-N, Nawaz Sharif, the PTI dominated the parliamentary votes. Thus, Imran Khan became Prime Minister in 2018.

8- During that period, the Pakistan's courts were pursuing the former ruler Nawaz Sharif on corruption charges. Nawaz resigned from his post in June 2017, after the Supreme Court convicted him on corruption charges, related to tax evasion. The Supreme Court ruled that Nawaz Sharif was ineligible to remain in office. He was sentenced in July 2018 to ten years in prison, on corruption charges. Reuters reported on 17 October 2020 that, "Former Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif on Saturday accused the country's army chief Gen. Qamar Javed Bajwa of toppling his government, pressuring the judiciary, and installing the current government of Prime Minister Imran Khan in the 2018 elections." (Source). All of this, the overthrow of Nawaz Sharif, his trial and holding of elections, while he was still behind bars in Pakistan, was by decision of Pakistan Army. Bringing in Imran Khan, far removed from the two traditional parties in Pakistan, was also by decision of Pakistan Army.

9- Nawaz Sharif, who was serving a prison sentence, was allowed to travel to Britain for health purposes. This was through an agreement with him that he would

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return, after his treatment to Pakistan, to complete his sentence... However, after Pakistan Army overthrew Imran Khan, which we explained in the question and answer entitled, "America and the Change in its Agents in Pakistan," of 5 Shawwal 1443 AH, 5 May 2022, Pakistan Army began removing all legal obstacles to the return of Nawaz Sharif. After the overthrow of Imran Khan in 2022, Sharif's brother, Shehbaz Sharif, was appointed prime minister. This is in addition to a federal court ruling to release Nawaz Sharif on bail, before his arrival in the country. It was also after the parliament issued a law in June 2023 setting a maximum of five years for disqualifying a member of the National Assembly from running for office, after it had been disqualification for life. This allowed Nawaz Sharif to return to the country and nominate himself, so he returned. Nawaz Sharif came from abroad and appeared before the judiciary in preparation for his acquittal of the charges against him, and competing in the elections. The Independent reported on 21 October 2023 that, "The Islamabad High Court on Thursday granted him protection from arrest days ahead of his return." (Source). This is what actually happened! Nawaz Sharif became a "clean" politician again. He ran for elections with his Pakistan Muslim League-N party, whilst Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar was the caretaker prime minister supervising the elections. (Sharif received the support of the army when he returned to Pakistan last October, after four Years in exile in London. (Independent Arabia, 10/2/2024)). According to the same source, (On the other hand, it is believed that Nawaz Sharif returned to the state after concluding a "deal" with the military establishment to return him to the position of prime minister for the fourth time. The Insaf party is accused of Al-Shaab stated that the official reception that Sharif received upon his return is evidence of the existence of an understanding between him and the military establishment.

10- So much for Nawaz Sharif. As for Imran Khan, he is today in prison, having been sentenced over multiple charges. Due to his sentencing, Imran Khan was prevented from running in the elections, whilst his party, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf, was prevented from running in the elections as a political party. Thus, it becomes clear how the political tables have turned in Pakistan. Today, in 2024, Pakistan Army has turned against Imran Khan. Imran is now in the same position that Nawaz Sharif was in in 2018. As for Nawaz Sharif, he has returned to prominence, after all obstacles were removed from him, as we have shown. With all of this, it becomes clear how the leadership of Pakistan Army manipulates the parliamentary elections. It becomes clear how Pakistan Army manipulates those political parties, which seek its approval, in order to gain power. This is not a secret. An army chief imprisoned Nawaz Sharif and brought back Imran Khan... Then an army chief imprisoned Imran Khan and brought back Nawaz Sharif! Thus, pseudo-politicians, from amongst party leaders, are manipulated according to America's desires, for the sake of a crooked,

ruling seat! Then, when the role of such a leader ends, he is either tossed aside, or put behind prison bars!

11- The military leadership alone controls the state, and therefore the elections, in many ways. It is known that communications and the internet were cut off in some areas. The state said that this was for the purpose of preventing chaos and unrest, on election day! The state also monopolizes the issue of determining electoral districts, based on the population census that it conducts. From this perspective it can increase, or decrease, districts in favor of specific parties, that have electoral weight in those districts! The elections were postponed from August 2023 until February 2024, under the pretext of redrawing electoral districts, based on the latest population census. In these ways, the party leaders, who take turns in power, are all obligated to be subservient to America, and to serve Washington. Conspiracies are planned for whoever deviates from towing the American line, or strives to do so, or clashes with Pakistan Army, as we have seen. Corruption cases are raised against him, until he is behind bars. Therefore, all of these parties work under the umbrella of the military leadership of the army. It is a leadership which is an agent of America. These parties may only compete locally among themselves, so that Pakistan Army chooses from among them the most appropriate for appointment...

12- Then, the military leadership allows for back-and-forth, regarding the election results, to show that it is far from controlling the results! The Independent reported on 10 February 2024, that, "both former prime minister Nawaz Sharif and jailed ex-prime minister Imran Khan claimed victory in the general elections." (Source). The PTI considers that the independent candidates obtained 101 seats, whilst the vast majority of these are its followers, which is the greatest number of seats obtained by any party. This qualifies it as the party to lead the process of forming the government. However, the PML-N, led by Nawaz Sharif, which obtained 75 seats in the National Assembly, says that it is the winner of the elections. This is referred to in the army chief's statement over the elections. The media wing of the army, ISPR, reported that the army chief said, "The nation needs stable hands and a healing touch to move on from the politics of anarchy and polarisation." (Source). This means that the PTI, Imran Khan's party, despite having obtained a larger number of parliamentary seats through independents, the seats of the independents officially constitute those of independents, and not of any political party. So, Nawaz Sharif's party remains the one that has the "legal" right to lead the process of forming the government, through coalition with other parties.

13- Some officials admitted that election rigging had occurred. Al-Jazeera reported on 17 February 2024 that, "A senior bureaucrat in Pakistan has said he helped rig Pakistan's elections, a week after polls marred by allegations of manipulation returned no clear winner..."

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“We converted the losers into winners, reversing margins of 70,000 votes in 13 national assembly seats,” he told reporters... According to Pakistan’s Dawn News, the commissioner admitted he was “deeply involved in serious crime like mega election rigging 2024.” Meanwhile, Pakistan’s election commission rejected Chattha’s allegations, but said in a statement that it would “hold an enquiry”. In a news release, the electoral watchdog also said none of its officials ever issued any instructions to Chattha for a “change in the election results”.” (Source). Despite all this, the army chief, after he released Nawaz Sharif from prison, and allowed him to run for the head of his party, seems to be preparing the arena for him in the Prime Minister’s Office. Reuters reported, on 19 February 2024, that, “Pakistan’s two major parties are set to meet on Monday to try and bridge differences over forming a minority coalition government after an inconclusive election, a top party official said, underscoring political and economic instability.... Monday’s talks will be the fifth such round... The Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) party of former foreign minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari has announced conditional support for the PML-N, saying it will vote for Sharif to form the government, but would not take positions in cabinet... The new government could also face further political tension, with independent members of parliament, backed by jailed former premier Imran Khan, forming the largest group in the legislature.” (Source). Thus, the military leadership makes whoever it wants a winner today, and makes him a loser and a prisoner tomorrow... and so on! Allah (swt) said,

أَلَا سَاءَ مَا يَحْكُمُونَ

“Evil indeed is their judgment!” [TMQ Surah An-Nahl 16:125].

14- As for this deep manipulation of Pakistan’s government, by America’s agent military leadership, where there is a climate for political chaos, that could continue and undermine the country’s stability... all of this must be a strong motivation, for the sincere in Pakistan Army, and in Pakistan in general, to rise up and put an end to the country’s subordination to America... this is only by establishing the rule of Allah, the Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate). The Khilafah is the promise of Allah (swt). Allah (swt) said,

وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ

“Allah has promised those of you who believe and do good that He will certainly make them successors in the land, as He did with those before them.” [TMQ Surah An-Nur 24:55]. The Khilafah is within the glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw), about it returning after the forceful ruling that we are under. Hudhayfah (ra) said that the Messenger of Allah (saw) said,

ثُمَّ تَكُونُ مُلْكًا جَبْرِيَّةً فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَىٰ مِنْهَاجِ النَّبِيِّ ثُمَّ سَكَتَ

“Then it will be a forceful ruling, so it will be as Allah wills it to be. Then He will end it, when He wills to end it. Then there will be a Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood.’ Then he remained silent.”

Narrated by Ahmad. The performance of this great obligation is expected from the people of the Islamic Ummah, from far and wide... especially since Pakistan was established on the basis of Islam from its creation, and both its people and its army love Islam and Muslims.

The connection of Pakistan’s rulers, and its military leadership, to America is easier for Allah (swt) to change, than it is for them to change the Ummah’s love for its Islam. Thus, the outcome is for the righteous if they are honest, work diligently, and strive to support Allah (swt), for Allah (swt) is their supporter. Allah (swt) said,

وَسَيَعْلَمَ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا أَيَّ مُنْقَلَبٍ يَنْقَلِبُونَ

“The wrongdoers will soon come to know what evil end they will meet.” [TMQ Ash-Shu’ara 26:227].

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