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Today, the rejection of Democracy by the Muslims of Syria is an encouraging sign of the liberation of the Ummah from colonialism. It is such a clear indicator that the Ummah's glorious return as a world power is imminent, it has clearly unsettled the Western capitals. They are frantically and repeatedly making appeals for compromises, appeals that are unheeded. Such a defiant stance is even more remarkable when it is considered that the Western powers, directly in the case of Russia, and through proxies in the case of America, have previously used all manner of force, bombings, threats and siege to coerce the Muslims of Syria into abandoning the Islamic project. Despite that, the determined, patient and, evidently, politically aware Muslims of Syria have not bent or wavered in their resolve.

However, rather than rejoicing at the firm and principled stance of the Muslims of Syria, the current rulers of Muslims plot against the Ummah at this most critical hour in her recent history. Worse still, it can be said that the current rulers of Muslims have reached extremes in plotting against the Ummah. So even though America has failed miserably to manufacture an alternative to its agent in Syria, Bashar al-Assad, these rulers have rushed to her aid. They are working day and night to secure the survival of the Syrian tyrant against the blessed revolution, whose motto is against the Khilafah again."

Furthermore, these criminals appeased American demands by holding joint military operations in Saudi Arabia between 9 and 12 March 2016 to transform the formidable armed forces of the Muslims into a mercenary force to serve Western objectives in Syria and elsewhere. Since then, the current rulers are scurrying back and forth between their capitals, bolstering and encouraging each other in their dark deeds. At one time General Raheel and the Prime Minister set off to Saudi Arabia, whilst at another they welcomed the treacherous ruler of Iran, who has unleashed Iran's party in Lebanon against the Muslims of Syria. Thus, rather than making way for the sweeping Islamic revival to follow its natural course, the regimes have increased their ferocity against Islam and Muslims calling to Islam. They have unleashed their intelligence and security agencies, with orders to use severe torture and abductions as tactics to suppress the voices for Islam. As if this were all not enough, they have become bolder and more arrogant in their call to misguidance, proclaiming openly their desire for the dominance of liberalism, secularism, Democracy and the corrupted Western values and standards.

Such a ferocious assault and daunting situation would induce hopelessness and despair within the Muslims were it not for the fact that it is the promise of Allah (swt) that oppressors will be seized at the height of their tyranny. This promise is at once a source of inspiration and hope for the sincere callers to Islam and the sternest of

warnings to strike fear in the hearts of the oppressor, as well as their henchmen and cohorts who are their limbs, eyes and ears.

Indeed, the Dawah carrier is assured when he reads the words of Allah (swt) said, ﴿وَكَذَلِكَ جَعَلْنَا فِي كُلّ قَرْيَةٍ أَكبرَ مُجْرِمِيهَا لِيَمْكُرُوا فِيهَا وَمَا يَمْكُرُونَ إِلا بأنفسبِهمْ وَمَا يَشْعُرُونَ - وَإِذَا جَآءَتْهُمْ ءَايَة قالُوا أ لَن تُؤْمِنَ حَتّى ثُؤْتَى مِثْلَ مَا أُوتِي رُسُلُ اللهِ اللهُ أَعْلَمُ حَيْثُ يَجْعَلُ رِسَالتَهُ سَيُصِيبُ الذِينَ أَجْرَمُواْ صَعَارٌ عِندَ اللهِ وَعَدَابٌ And thus We have set up in every town great ones of its " شَدِيدٌ بِمَا كَاتُواْ يَمْكُرُونَ ﴾ wicked people to plot therein. But they plot not except against themselves, and they perceive (it) not - And when there comes to them a sign they say: "We shall not believe until we receive the like of that which the Messengers of Allah received." Allah knows best with whom to entrust His Message. Humiliation and disgrace from Allah and a severe torment will overtake the criminals for that which they used to plot." [Surah Al-Anaam 6:123-124]. Ibn Abi Talhah reported that Ibn `Abbas explained the Ayah المَعْرَمِيهَا لِيَمْكُرُوا فِيهَا المَعْرَمَةِ (great ones of its wicked people to plot therein" [Surah Al-Anaam 6:123] by saying that "We give the leadership to these wicked ones and they commit evil in it. When they do this, We destroy them with Our torment." Mujahid and Qatadah said that in the Ayah, أكبر great ones" refers to leaders. As for `Plot' in the same Ayah it refers to a headers. As for `Plot' in the same Ayah it refers to beautified speech and various actions with which the evil ones call to misguidance, as we see the rulers of today doing so vigorously.

Thus, Allah (swt) assured RasulAllah (saaw) at the time of ferocious assault by the criminal leaders of the Quraysh, that just as there were brutal chiefs and leaders who call to disbelief, hindering the believers from the path of Allah, and opposing and defying the Deen of Truth in the very land of RasulAllah (saaw), a similar situation confronted the Messengers before RasulAllah (saaw). They too were tested but the good outcome was always for the believers, as it came to be so in the case of RasulAllah (saaw). As but one example of persecution, Abu Jahl incited others of the Quraish to place the guts of the camel on the back of RasulAllah (saaw), between his shoulder blades whilst prostrated, and as a response RasulAllah (saaw) invoked their destruction, including Abu Jahl, Utbah bin Rabiah, Al-Walid bin Utbah, Umaiyah bin Khalaf and Uqbah bin Abi Mu'it. And as Allah (swt) promised, a victorious day came when their bloodied corpses were counted by RasulAllah (saaw) in the Qalib (one of the wells) of Badr! This is a lesson for the loyal Muslims today striving for the return of the Khilafah within their lands, Muslim Lands, upholding the truth, undaunted by the criminals and their thugs, fearing none but Allah (swt). Indeed, it is not too long inshaaAllah until a time arises when these criminals will be tried for their heinous crimes and executed, in days of rejoicing for the Muslims.

As for the henchmen and cohorts of the criminal rulers, their eyes, ears and limbs, there will be a time when they will themselves turn away from the rulers, accusing and cursing, despairing of the awful fate that they condemned themselves to. This is why it is no surprise that the Dawah Carrier does not succumb to their threats and coercion, for he is strengthened by the knowledge of their impending downfall. Today, when severely accounted by the Dawah Carrier during bouts of oppression and torture, these thugs offer a library of excuses and compulsions to justify their despicable acts. However, soon, not one excuse or compulsion will be accepted from

them when thugs will suffer the severe consequences for their black deeds, just recompense for willingly submitting to the rulers' orders to defy Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saaw). Moreover, such severe consequences will visit them twice. Firstly, when the Ummah restores the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of the Prophethood and seizes the rulers and their helpers before the courts of the Khaleefah Rashid. And then again, in the severest of all forms, as punishment by Allah (swt) after the Day of Judgment. It is upon them now, before it is too late, to seriously consider for their own هولَوْ تَرَى إذ الظّلِمُونَ مَوْقُوفُونَ عِندَ رَبّهمْ يَرْجِعُ sake, the words of Allah (swt) when He said, بَعْضُهُمْ إلى بَعْضِ الْقُوْلَ يَقُولُ الَّذِينَ اسْتُضْعِقُواْ لِلَّذِينَ اسْتَكْبَرُواْ لَوْلا أنتُمْ لَكُنّا مُؤْمِنِينَ - قالَ الَّذِينَ اسْتَكْبَرُواْ لِلَّذِينَ استُضعِفُوا أنْحْنُ صَدَدنَكُمْ عَنِ الْهُدَى بَعْدَ إِذْ جَآءَكُمْ بَلْ كُنتُمْ مُجْرِمِينَ وَقَالَ الذِينَ استُضعِفُوا لِلَّذِينَ استُكْبَرُوا بَلْ مَكْرُ الَّيْلِ But if only you could see when the" وَالنَّهَارِ إِذْ تَأْمُرُونَنَّآ أَن تَكْفُرَ بِاللَّهِ وَنَجْعَلَ لَهُ أندَاداً ﴾ wrongdoers will be made to stand before their Lord, how they will cast the (blaming) word one to another! Those who were deemed weak will say to those who were arrogant: "Had it not been for you, we should certainly have been believers." And those who were arrogant will say to those who were deemed weak: "Did we keep you back from guidance after it had come to you Nay, but you were criminals." Those who were deemed weak will say to those who were arrogant: "Nay, but it was your plotting by night and day, when you ordered us to disbelieve in Allah and set up rivals for Him!" [Surah Saba 34:31-33].

Accordingly, let the Muslims cast asides any lingering feelings of fear and intimidation of the current rulers and their henchmen. Let them march undaunted to secure the return of Islam as a power and a state, assured that the tyrants are sealing their own fate by their oppression. As for the thugs who stand in the way of the Ummah's rise and upon whom the oppressors depend, let them consider the side they are choosing carefully again. It is still not too late, for matters are decided by their final conclusion and not upon how they have been conducted so far. Let them repent sincerely, join the side of the Ummah and extend to the Dawah Carriers all the support they can, thus abandoning the oppressive rulers to face their inevitable doom alone.

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