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Details:

Islamophobes are More Likely to Abuse Muslim Women than Men

The majority of Muslims who are targeted in racist attacks on the streets are women, a new report has found. An annual study into Islamophobia by Tell MAMA (Measuring Anti-Muslim Attacks) showed that there was a 4% rise in reports of abusive behaviour against Muslims in Britain. Women who wear traditional Islamic clothing, such as a hijab or niqab, were the most likely group to face abuse, Tell MAMA said. The organisation said: 'Given the impact of anti-Muslim hatred on the mobility of Muslim women and on the personal life choices that they make, the impacts are also felt within the family and have implications for integration and social cohesion.' Its study found that 56% of Muslims who suffered incidents of abuse in person are women – making it the second year in a row its annual report found that women are more likely to be targeted than men. White men are most likely to launch an attack, Tell MAMA said, with the group responsible for 69% of incidents where the attacker is identifiable. According to female victims of Islamophobia, the language of many attackers had misogynistic overtones, meaning they were assaulted for their gender as well as their religion. In total, the number of street-based incidents reported in Britain in 2016 rose from 437 in 2015 to 642. [Source: Metro]

The menfolk of the UK are not unique in their prejudice and violence against Muslim women. Across Western countries, Muslim women and children are the most vulnerable to physical attacks perpetrated by men. This also illustrates that the West pays lip service to freedom and tolerance both at home and when it invades Muslim countries.

Trump Expresses Great Confidence in Saudi Anti-Corruption Push

US President Donald Trump expressed "great confidence" in Saudi leaders Monday amid an ongoing anti-corruption push, writing in a tweet, "They know exactly what they are doing." In a two-part Twitter message sent from Tokyo, Trump said he has great confidence in King Salman and the crown prince, adding some of the arrested people "have been 'milking' their country for years!" Trump is addressing the arrests of prominent Saudi royals and business leaders ordered by a committee headed by Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman. The Saudi government has described the action as a sweeping effort to combat corruption. It underscores an unprecedented restructuring of the Kingdom as Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman steps up a dramatic reform drive for a post-oil era. The US and Saudi Arabia have historically enjoyed close ties, which Trump re-affirmed in May when he visited the country in his first foreign trip since taking office. Washington and Riyadh announced contracts worth more than \$380 billion, including a \$110 billion arms deal aimed at countering perceived threats from Iran and militants. Trump spoke with King Salman by phone on Saturday, according to a readout from his office, in which he lauded the monarch and his son's "recent public statements regarding the need to build a moderate, peaceful, and tolerant region" and urged the Kingdom to choose Wall Street as a venue for the IPO of oil giant Aramco. [Source: ArabNews]

Trump's eagerness to praise King Salman and MBS once again reveals that Trump had advanced knowledge of the arrests. Earlier Trump took credit for Saudi's stern action against Qatar. It is quite apparent that the Trump administration is behind all the changes taking place to support the 2030 vision for the country. This consists of rapid secularization of Saudi society, pillage of economic resources, and unprecedented concentration of power in the hands of MBS.

Pakistan Welcomes US Mediation in Easing Tension with India

Pakistan believes in regional peace and welcomes mediation by the United States in easing tension with India, Foreign Minister Khawaja Asif said on Monday. Addressing the fourth round of US-Pakistan Bilateral Dialogue in Islamabad, Asif said Pakistan has always preferred a comprehensive dialogue with its South Asian neighbour that could contribute to peace in the region, Radio Pakistan reported. The dialogue, titled 'Convergence amid Divergence: Identifying Pathways to Cooperation in a Challenging Environment', was called to deliberate on ways to ease the strain in bilateral Pak-US ties. Commenting on the new US strategy for South Asia and the role accorded to India in the policy, the minister said US has assured Pakistan that New Delhi's role in Afghanistan would be limited to providing economic assistance to the war-torn country. Also read: US promises to stay neutral in India's conflict with other states Pakistan has repeatedly expressed concern over India's role in the US strategy, saying its security concerns in the region should be recognised. While announcing his strategy for the region, US President Donald Trump had said the US appreciates India's important contributions to Afghan stability. But he also lamented that India "makes billions of dollars in trade with the United States." Trump had said he wanted India to provide more economic assistance and development to Afghanistan. Pakistan's counter-terrorism efforts have prevented "countless" militant attacks in the US and Europe, Asif said, adding that Pakistan and US both have a lot of work to do in fighting negative perceptions. The foreign minister said self-defence and self-interest is Pakistan's foremost priority and the country will not allow its soil to be used against any other country. He said Pakistan is ready to extend all possible cooperation to achieve the goal of peace and stability in Afghanistan. In line with the same efforts, Pakistan has also reached out to regional countries and forums like South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (Saarc). Saarc should be activated and steps should be taken to promote trade in the region which has suffered for long due to instability in Afghanistan, he said. Asif said intelligence sharing is vital for improving border management with Afghanistan, adding that the US should share timely intelligence so that Pakistan can take action. Talking to reporters, the minister said differences in Pak-US bilateral ties are only misconceptions which are being removed by continued dialogue. Asif added that recent high-level exchanges between the two countries have helped relieve the tension in the relationship. [Source: The Dawn].

Does not the Pakistani leadership realise that America and India are in cohorts to undermine Pakistan's security and they still turn to the main culprit for assistance? The time has come to dispose of this slavery to US by ridding Pakistan of its corrupt leaders, and replacing by Khilafah Rashidah (righteous Caliphate). The Khilafah will teach both America and India a lesson they will never forget.

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