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Indeed, we at the family of Ar-Rayah Newspaper extend our sincere congratulations to our Islamic Ummah on the occasion of the blessed Eid al-Adha. We ask Him ﷻ to make this Eid a beginning of khair and blessings for us, so that the next Eid may come while we live under honor, victory, and empowerment, sheltered beneath the banner of the Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) the banner of (لا إله إلا الله محمد رسول الله) "La ilaha illa Allah, Muhammadur Rasul Allah" "There is no god but Allah, Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah." And that is not difficult for Allah ﷻ. The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, «... ثُمَّ تَكُونُ مُلْكًا جَبْرِيَّةً فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ ...» "«...Then there will be tyrannical rule, and it will remain for as long as Allah wills it to remain. Then He will remove it when He wills to remove it. Then there will be a Khilafah upon the Method of Prophethood.»"

## **Is an Agreement Imminent Between America and Iran?**

**By: Ustadh Asaad Mansour**

America is in a real bind, with matters becoming increasingly confused and complex. At times, the US threatens a decisive blow against Iran, but will that achieve its goal? At other times, the US calls for negotiations and the signing of an agreement.

Its president, Trump, afflicted with megalomania, goes to China, but with his head bowed, hoping to get it to pressure Iran into accepting his terms, only to return empty-handed. Trump claimed on 15 May 2026 that “We did discuss Iran. We feel very similar about [how] we want it to end,” but added that “But at the same time he said they buy a lot of their oil there, and they’d like to keep doing that.” This indicates that he failed to achieve his goal of getting China to pressure Iran into halting trade, which is itself a violation of American sanctions against Iran. China has not adhered to these sanctions and purchases approximately 80% of Iran’s oil exports.

This similarity is evident in the White House factsheet issued on May 17, 2026, which read, “Both leaders agreed Iran cannot have a nuclear weapon, called to reopen the Strait of Hormuz, and agreed that no country or organization can be allowed to charge tolls.” These matters are in China’s interest, as it does not want anyone to control the Strait and impose fees on its ships, nor does it want Iran to become a nuclear power, which it fears might pose a future threat due to Iran being a Muslim country. China fears the resurgence of Islam as a global superpower, a fear

manifested in its restrictions on Muslims within its borders and its fight against Islamic groups in Central Asia, where it has partnered with Central Asian states and Russia through the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation.

In response to the American statement on May 15, 2026, the Chinese Foreign Ministry issued a statement saying, “There is no need for this war, which should never have happened in the first place, to continue... to respond to the call of the international community and jointly keep the global supply chains stable and unimpeded.” This means that China opposes a war on Iran because it does not want an American victory, as this would strengthen its position against the US.

The Chinese president’s response came when Russian President Putin visited him, and they issued a “Joint Statement on Advocating Global Multipolarity and New Types of International Relations” on May 20, 2026, saying, “Some countries arbitrarily manipulate international affairs, impose their interests worldwide with colonial-era thinking, and restrict the development of other sovereign nations [but this has] completely failed.” This confirms that Trump did not achieve his goal with China, as this statement with Russia rejected its demands.

Despairing of China, the US resorted to using its agents in Pakistan to resume negotiations and sign an agreement. The army chief of Pakistan and de facto ruler, Asim Munir, who enjoys US trust due to his strong loyalty, visited Iran on May 23, 2026, and met with its president, foreign minister, speaker of parliament, and leaders of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps. The media wing of the armed forces, the ISPR, stated on 23 May 2026 that Munir “concluded a short but highly productive official visit to Iran... The intensive negotiations over the last twenty-four

hours have resulted in encouraging progress towards a final understanding.”

Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman, Esmail Baghaei, announced on 23 May 2026 that “Iran has observed a trend toward rapprochement after weeks of talks with the United States. However, this does not necessarily mean reaching an understanding on the important issues, but rather aims for a mutually acceptable settlement. The final stage does not include details of the nuclear file or sanctions, and these will be discussed after reaching an understanding with Washington. The issue of releasing frozen Iranian assets is on the table, and discussions on the nuclear file will begin within 30 to 60 days, depending on the next stages of the negotiations. Pakistan is an official mediator in the talks, and Qatar is also trying to help facilitate them.”

On May 23, 2026, Trump wrote on his social media platform, Truth Social, that “final aspects and details” of a “Memorandum of Understanding” are still being discussed and “will be announced shortly”, but said the strait of Hormuz will be opened as part of the deal. “An Agreement has been largely negotiated, subject to finalization between the United States of America, the Islamic Republic of Iran, and the various other Countries,” Trump posted. His Secretary of State, Marco Rubio, said during a visit to India that “news” might arrive “later today”, even as Trump continued to threaten striking Iran.

Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif followed suit, declaring on 24 May 2026, “Pakistan will continue its peace efforts with utmost sincerity and we hope to host the next round of talks very soon.” Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar posted on X, on 24 May 2026, “Pakistan remains firmly committed to supporting all sincere efforts aimed at lasting peace, mutual respect, and regional

stability. The achievements of these negotiations offer grounds for optimism that a positive and durable outcome is within reach InshaAllah.” Dar praised US President Trump and his commitment to dialogue and diplomacy, despite Trump’s own crimes of aggression against Iran, his support for the Jewish entity’s aggression against Lebanon, and his perpetration of genocide and destruction in Gaza.

The Washington Post quoted a Pakistani official as stating that the Pakistani army chief sought to narrow the gaps between two key issues under discussion in the talks: control of the Strait of Hormuz and the future of the Iranian nuclear program. The newspaper added that Iranian officials want to postpone talks on the nuclear program until an agreement is reached to end the war and reopen the Strait of Hormuz.

It is understood from all statements, by all parties, that an agreement between America and Iran is possible, focusing on ending the war, the status of the Strait of Hormuz, and postponing negotiations on the Iranian nuclear program.

The Fars and Tasnim news agencies reported that the draft agreement stipulates a ceasefire by both sides and their allies in the region. This includes preventing the Jewish entity from attacking Iran and its allies in the region, as well as lifting sanctions on Iranian oil, gas, and petrochemicals, and releasing a portion of its frozen assets in the first phase.

This demonstrates America’s failure in its war. It has begun discussing the issue of the Strait of Hormuz, which didn’t exist before and was created because of America. The strait was previously open, unarmed, and free of tolls. America’s goal was to eliminate Iran’s nuclear program and subjugate it to become a subordinate state, but this has not been achieved.

Iran is now in a position to preserve its independence resist American pressure, and refuse to accept all of America's conditions. Its position has been strengthened by China's stance, which refused to pressure Iran and insisted on continuing trade, crucial for Iran's self-financing under American and European sanctions. Russia's opposition to America's war and its efforts to forge closer ties with China have also contributed to this, as America has failed to drive a wedge between them. Qatar, which has overlooked Iranian attacks on its territory under the pretext of participating in finalizing an agreement between the two sides, has also played a role.

Thus, America has lost another military battle with Muslims, following its defeats in Somalia, Iraq, and Afghanistan. However, efforts must be made to defeat it politically, so that it retains no political influence, whether through political allegiance, subservience, or otherwise, and so that it is diminished in the eyes of Muslims. This confirms that they are capable of defeating it and expelling it from the region when the Second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood, is established soon, by the Permission of Allah ﷻ.

## Just as Hajj Unifies Us in One Place, So Too Must Ruling Governance Unify Us Within One Khilafah (Caliphate)

By: Ustadh Khalifa Muhammad

What a magnificent sight it is to see millions of Muslims of all colors, genders, ages, and countries gathered in one place, wearing the same attire, answering the call of the One Lord ﷻ, performing ritual after ritual together. They have left their homes, families, and worldly interests to perform this great Shariah obligation. There is no distinction between rich and poor, for this place is a place of obedience, humility, and submission to the One and Only Allah ﷻ. All people are from Adam (as), and Adam (as) was created from dust. There is no difference between them in the origin of creation, nor in the innate nature with which Allah ﷻ created mankind. Thus, in that awe-inspiring scene, the greatest manifestations of reverence for Allah ﷻ are revealed. Their tongues utter with one voice, لبيك اللهم لبيك، لبيك لا شريك لك (Here I am, O Allah, here I am. Here I am, You have no partner, here I am. Indeed, all praise, grace, and dominion belong to You. You have no partner.” Then you find that resonant voice piercing the horizons, proclaiming allegiance to Allah ﷻ Who said, ﴿وَلِلّٰهِ عَلَى النَّاسِ حِجُّ الْبَيْتِ مَنِ اسْتَطَاعَ﴾ **“And Hajj to the House is an obligation owed to Allah by all people who are able to undertake it”** [TMQ Surah Aali Imran: 97], and to His Messenger ﷺ who said, «خُذُوا عَنِّي مَنَاسِكُمْ» **“Learn your rites from me,”** and to the believers, who are one Ummah, distinct from other people.

Indeed, the Hajj is a clear manifestation of the unity of Muslims. The actions and words are the same, the intention and purpose are the same, the places of the rituals are the same, their time is the same, and the attire is the same. All of this sprouted from a single seed that represents a fundamental pillar of Islam.

It is not surprising that Hajj is the fifth pillar of Islam, as it was among the last Islamic obligations to be established, being instituted in the ninth year of the Hijra, according to the most reliable narrations. Perhaps the wisdom behind this was to ensure that Makkah, as part of the Islamic state, would be subject to Shariah Law. In that year, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ appointed Abu Bakr (ra) as the leader of the Hajj pilgrimage, and sent him with Ali ibn Abi Talib (ra), who carried Surah At-Tawbah (Chapter 9 of the Quran) to recite to the people during the pilgrimage. He ﷺ also announced a four-month grace period for the mushrikoon, except for those who had a treaty with the Prophet ﷺ which remained in effect. Furthermore, he declared that no mushrik would perform Hajj after that day, nor would anyone circumambulate the Kaaba naked. All of this occurred in the ninth year of the Hijrah, which was described as the Year of Delegations, when delegations from the tribes of the Arabian Peninsula came to the Prophet ﷺ, declaring their Islam and their allegiance to the Islamic state. Thus, the unified Islamic state was established by eliminating all ideologies other than the unified ideology of Islam, and all entities other than the unified state itself. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿إِنَّ هَذِهِ أُمَّتُكُمْ أُمَّةً وَاحِدَةً وَأَنَا رَبُّكُمْ فَاعْبُدُونِ﴾ **“Indeed, this, your Ummah, is one Ummah, and I am your Lord, so worship Me”** [TMQ Surah Al-Anbiyaa: 92].

After the Messenger of Allah ﷺ appointed Abu Bakr (ra) to lead the Hajj in the ninth year of the Hijrah, he himself ﷺ assumed

responsibility for the Hajj in the tenth year of the Hijrah. This established a precedent and guidance for the ruler of the Muslims—or whomever he appoints—to assume responsibility for the Hajj, ensuring the safety of the pilgrims and attending to their needs according to the rulings of Hajj and other relevant Shariah Law. The Khulafaa' (Caliphs) who succeeded him followed this practice. For example, Umar ibn al-Khattab (ra) performed the Hajj every year throughout his Khilafah (Caliphate). It was his custom to summon his governors to meet him annually during the Hajj season, thus keeping them separate from the people, preventing injustice, and allowing him to personally observe their circumstances. This also provided a designated time for the people to voice their grievances, as has been narrated. Al-A'mash reported that Ali ibn Abi Talib (ra) appointed Ibn Abbas (ra) to lead the Hajj, and that Ibn Abbas (ra) delivered a sermon that day so powerful that, had the Turks and Romans heard it, they would have embraced Islam. The issue of Muslim unity is a vital issue, a matter of life and death. Just as it manifests itself every year during the Hajj season—albeit partially due to the nationalistic borders between Muslim lands and the multiplicity of rulers—it also appears in Salah (Shariah prayer), where Muslims respond to the call of a single muezzin. Similarly, it is evident in Siyyam (Shariah fasting), where the principle is that they all fast upon sighting the new Hilal crescent moon and break their fast together upon sighting it, performing this ritual together from dawn until dusk throughout the month of Ramadan. Likewise, it is evident in Zakat (obligatory charity), where the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ used to send agents to collect it and distribute it to those entitled to it, a practice continued by the Khulafaa' after him until the later period of the Khilafah. So why is it that Muslims today respond to one call and not another?

They respond to the call, ﴿وَأَذِّنْ فِي النَّاسِ بِالْحَجِّ﴾ **“And proclaim to the people the Hajj”** [TMQ Surah Al-Hajj: 27], but they do not respond to the call of Allah ﷻ and His Messenger ﷺ to judge between them by all that Allah ﷻ has revealed, ﴿إِنَّمَا كَانَ قَوْلَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ إِذَا دُعُوا إِلَى اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ لِيَحْكُمَ بَيْنَهُمْ أَنْ يَقُولُوا سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا﴾ **“The only statement of the believers when they are called to Allah and His Messenger to judge between them is that they say, ‘We hear and we obey’”** [TMQ Surah An-Nur: 51], so they do not say, “We hear and we obey?” Why do they respond to, ﴿إِذَا نُودِيَ لِلصَّلَاةِ﴾ **“When the call to prayer is made on Friday, hasten to the remembrance of Allah”** [TMQ Surah Al-Jumua 9], but not to, ﴿لَا تَتَّخِذُوا الْيَهُودَ وَالنَّصَارَىٰ أَوْلِيَاءَ﴾ **“Do not take the Jews and Christians as allies”** [TMQ Surah Al-Ma'idah: 51]? They respond and their ulema call for obedience to those in authority but not to, ﴿فَإِنْ تَنَازَعْتُمْ فِي شَيْءٍ فَرُدُّوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ﴾ **“If you disagree about something, refer it to Allah and the Messenger”** [TMQ Surah An-Nisa'a: 51]. They respond to, ﴿كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ﴾ **“Siyyam is prescribed for you”** [TMQ Surah Al-Baqarah: 183], but not to, ﴿وَأَنِ احْكُم بَيْنَهُم بِمَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ﴾ **“And judge between them by what Allah has revealed”** [TMQ Surah Al-Ma'idah: 49]. The meaning of the unity of Muslims being a vital issue is that it is a matter of life or death. The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, «مَنْ أَتَاكُمْ وَأَمْرُكُمْ جَمِيعٌ عَلَى رَجُلٍ وَاحِدٍ يُرِيدُ أَنْ يَشُقَّ عَصَاكُمْ أَوْ يُفَرِّقَ جَمَاعَتَكُمْ فَأَقْتُلُوهُ» **“Whoever comes to you while you are united under one leader, seeking to sow discord among you or divide your community, kill him.”** It is not permissible for Muslims to remain divided into weak nationalistic entities that hinder the implementation of the Shariah Law of Allah ﷻ and the establishment of His unifying ruling governance on earth. They obey Allah ﷻ in Hajj, Salah, Siyyam, and some other Shariah rulings, but disobey Him ﷻ in the rest of Islam. Their situation

would be like those who divide the Quran into parts, or like those who believe in some parts of the Scripture and disbelieve in others. We seek refuge in Allah ﷻ from the Muslims being like these or those.

O Muslims, Hajj has gathered you together on one plain in that awe-inspiring scene; The application of all the Shariah rulings of Islam should unify you in one Khilafah, and you are capable of that. You have lived for long centuries in this state under the Rayah banner of one Khaleefah, so how easy it is for you to restore that because of the presence of Hizb ut Tahrir (حزب التحرير Party of Liberation) among you, the pioneering guide who does not lie to his charge, striving for your revival and your unification under the project of the Khilafah. All you have to do is make a firm decision and strive with the Hizb and support it, for in that the greatest manifestation of your unity will be revealed, and in that is your glory in this world, your victory in the hereafter, and the greatest pleasure of Allah ﷻ.

## Eid al-Adha Greetings 1447 AH

الله أكبر الله أكبر الله أكبر لا إله إلا الله... الله أكبر الله أكبر والله الحمد

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, La Ilaha Illallah, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar wa lillahi Al-Hamd

The Prophet ﷺ said: «إِنَّ أَعْظَمَ الْأَيَّامِ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ يَوْمُ النَّحْرِ» **“The greatest day in Allah’s sight is the day of sacrifice.”** On this blessed occasion, and in exaltation of the rites of Allah Almighty: ﴿ذَلِكَ﴾ **“And whoever honors the symbols of Allah - indeed, it is from the piety of hearts.”** [TMQ Al-Hajj:32].

Despite the calamities that the Islamic Ummah is living through under rulers who have failed it and handed it over to its enemy, filling our hearts with pain and sorrow, we must still extend our warmest congratulations and blessings to our dear Islamic Ummah, patient and seeking reward from Allah, on the blessed Eid al-Adha, asking Allah to make the days of this Eid days of blessing, victory, and honor.

We are also pleased to extend our congratulations, along with those of the Head of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir and all the brothers and sisters working in its departments and units, to the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, the eminent scholar Ata bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, may Allah protect him. Pleading from our Lord Almighty that the Ummah soon gives him the Bay’ah of the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) that will end the era of humiliation in which the Ummah lives, and ushering in an era of

victory, liberation, and empowerment, in fulfillment of His Almighty saying: ﴿وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيُمَكِّنَنَّ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِي ارْتَضَى لَهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيَبَدِّلَنَّهُم مِّن بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنًا﴾ **“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; and will surely establish for them their faith which He has chosen for them; and will indeed change their fear into security.”** [TMQ An-Nur: 55].

This year, Eid al-Adha comes while the Islamic Ummah still groans under the burden of colonialism, which inflicts upon it severe torment, leaving it neither the joy of Eid nor happiness in livelihood — in Palestine, Lebanon, Sudan, Iran, Yemen, Ash-Sham, and elsewhere — depriving it of the joy of Eid and the happiness of blessed days: ﴿وَلَيَالٍ عَشْرٍ﴾ **“And [by] ten nights.”** [TMQ Al-Fajr: 2].

That arrogant Donald Trump rages and threatens, bombing Muslims and their lands and threatening them with hell unless they submit to him. And his close ally and counterpart Benjamin Netanyahu roars and tyrannizes in the lands of the Muslims, threatening to reshape the Middle East according to his vision and dreams.

As for the remaining colonial powers, they either side with these two—supporting them and bolstering their resolve—so long as we remain the victims, and the price is paid by us, not by them; such as United Kingdom, France, Australia, Germany and the others — or they may simply observe this and do nothing to

support the oppressed or aid the distressed. As for the rulers of the Muslims, they are even worse as they conspire against us rather than standing with us; feeding America's arrogance, and aiding the crimes of the Jews. The very best of them who watches from afar and counts the victims, or offers verbal condemnation and denunciation out of sheer hypocrisy.

This is some of what darkens our lives and disturbs our joy. Yet glad tidings still appear of a near relief and an awakening that will overturn the table upon colonialism and reshape the political scene in a way that will please the believers. The Islamic Ummah increases in determination day after day and shows resilience the West did not expect. It has rejected its criminal rulers and now that their true faces have been unmasked—and their moral nakedness and betrayals laid bare—after they abandoned her in her darkest hours and under the most trying circumstances, this conviction alone is sufficient to bring about the process of desired change. ﴿إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُغَيِّرُ مَا بِقَوْمٍ حَتَّىٰ يُغَيِّرُوا مَا بِأَنْفُسِهِمْ﴾ **“Indeed, Allah will not change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves.”** [TMQ Ar-Ra'd:11]. We ask Allah that that day be near.

The Prophet ﷺ said: «مَا مِنْ أَيَّامٍ الْعَمَلُ الصَّالِحُ فِيهِنَّ أَحَبُّ إِلَى اللَّهِ مِنْ هَذِهِ الْأَيَّامِ الْعَشْرِ. فَقَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، وَلَا الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ؟ فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: وَلَا الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، إِلَّا رَجُلٌ خَرَجَ بِنَفْسِهِ وَمَالِهِ فَلَمْ يَزِجْ مِنْ ذَلِكَ بِشَيْءٍ» **“There are no days in which a good deed is more pleasing to Allah than these ten days.”** On being asked whether not even jihad in Allah's path were as pleasing, he ﷺ replied, “Not

**even jihad in Allah's path, except when a man goes out in person with his property and loses both life and property."**

This, then, is an opportunity for every devout servant to seize these blessed days—joining their hands and efforts to those of the Dawah carriers—to strive toward the realization of the greatest obligation of our time: the resumption of the Islamic way of life through the establishment of the Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) upon the methodology of the Prophethood. Thus, we may once again become "the best nation ever brought forth for humankind," and find honor through Islam.

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, La Ilaha Illallah...

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, wa lillahi Alhamd

# When Will Our Armies Move to Support the Noble Women of Palestine?!

The Palestinian Prisoners Club stated that the occupation authorities have escalated their crimes against female prisoners in Damon Prison in the occupied territories, particularly in the pace of systematic repression. In a statement, the Club explained that Damon Prison is among the most prominent prisons that have witnessed an escalation in these operations, as it holds the majority of the 88 female prisoners, in addition to a number of others in interrogation and detention centers.

The statement added that the repression units of the occupation prison administration carried out at least ten repressive operations during March and April 2026, accompanied by severe beatings, forcing female prisoners to lie on the ground with their hands tied behind their backs, and deliberately assaulting them in this position, causing injuries to a number of them.

Regarding these miserable conditions faced by the noble women of blessed Palestine and the crimes committed by the Jews against them, a press release issued by the Women's Section of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir said, "A scene that sends shivers down the spine and defies comprehension: how can a group of free Muslim women be subjected to capture, humiliation, and torture, with the knowledge of the Muslim Ummah and its armies, yet their blood does not boil with the urgency to come to their aid and avenge them?!"

The release stressed that what the women of Palestine suffer in the prisons of the Jewish entity is a stain of shame upon the armies of the Islamic Ummah that have failed to support them. It

said, “What our sisters are enduring in the prisons of the occupation is a disgrace to the Muslim Ummah and a stain of shame on the foreheads of all Muslim armies that remain inactive in their defense.”

The press release also affirmed that all of this is due to the absence of the Khilafah (Caliphate) state, the protective shield and fortified fortress for them and for all Muslims. It stated, “These free Muslim women would not have suffered what they have endured had the Muslims had a state and a leader (Imam). The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, «إِنَّمَا الْإِمَامُ جُنَّةٌ يُقَاتَلُ مِنْ وَرَائِهِ وَيُتَّقَى بِهِ» **“Verily the Imam is a shield who is fought from behind and is protected by.”** The leader of the Muslims is the shield of the Ummah’s sons and daughters.”

As for the reason behind the boldness of the Jews described as the most cowardly of creation against the people of the Blessed Land, through killing and wounding, arrest and torture, imprisonment and abuse, displacement and forced migration, the statement said, “But after the Jews saw how the Muslim rulers had imprisoned the Ummah and its armies, preventing them from supporting Palestine and its people even in the darkest and direst times, they became confident that no matter what they did, there were guardians of their borders and their entity who would ensure that the Ummah and its armies would be restrained (from attacking them). Therefore, they no longer cared about the reaction of the Ummah or its armies, as long as they saw that the rulers' thrones remained stable and firmly in place.”

The Women’s Section of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir concluded its press release by referring to the path in which the solution lies for supporting the male and female prisoners of Palestine, cleansing the Blessed Land from the Jews, liberating all

occupied Muslim lands, and supporting oppressed Muslims everywhere. It stated, “The beginning and path of change begins with removing the Muslim rulers, who are suffocating the Muslims, and then pledging allegiance to a single, rightly guided caliph for the Ummah to lead it and its armies to establish the Deen, support the oppressed, and liberate Palestine and the rest of the occupied Muslim lands. To this we call you, O Muslims! So, hasten...hasten!”

﴿وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ \* بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ﴾

**“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.” [TMQ Surah Ar-Rum 4–5].**

## **Putin's Visit to China and the Sino-Russian Rapprochement**

**By: Ustadh Ahmed Al-Khatwani**

The timing of Russian President Putin's visit to China is significant, coming directly after the US President's visit. Therefore, it carries numerous meanings and implications. Observers of the visit will undoubtedly notice a new rapprochement between Russia and China, as well as intensive coordination between the two countries, particularly in confronting the United States.

It is clear, then, that Russian President Putin and Chinese President Xi Jinping have significantly strengthened their cooperation recently in several vital areas, such as trade, energy, security, and international relations. This culminated in Putin's recent visit to China on 19<sup>th</sup> May, during which 42 documents were signed between the two countries. Foremost among these was a joint statement on continuing to strengthen the comprehensive partnership and strategic interaction, deepening good-neighboring relations, friendship, and cooperation, in addition to a "Joint Statement on Advocating Global Multipolarity and New Types of International Relations."

Putin's visit to China was a resounding success on all levels, in stark contrast to Trump's, which was remarkably lackluster and yielded no tangible results on any of the key issues on the agenda. The visit was largely personal, despite being shrouded in empty media hype.

Despite Trump's claims of numerous achievements from the visit, he himself failed to identify any of them or effectively promote any accomplishments.

With these two visits to China—which has become a pilgrimage site for world leaders—the real struggles between international major powers to shape the new international order began, particularly between the United States and China. Both countries are attempting to steer the course of the global order and define its nature according to their strategic visions, thereby gaining control over global economic, political, and military affairs.

China publicly declares that it does not seek to build international alliances, that it does not aim to divide the world into camps, and that it does not wish to repeat the tools and vocabulary of the Cold War, nor does it adopt its concepts. China demonstrates its relations with all countries through available economic partnerships, stating that it maintains an equal distance from everyone, does not favor one side over another, and that it has no axes or alliances, and that its partnerships are open to all.

However, this theoretical and philosophical approach to its view of the international situation contradicts, in practice, the unique nature of its relationship with Russia, which has become a special strategic partnership.

This became evident when comparing the two visits. During Trump's visit to China, the Chinese leadership appeared very cautious and reserved in all its statements and positions, especially those related to technology and trade. It was even more cautious and ambiguous on political matters concerning Iran, the Strait of Hormuz, and Taiwan, while on strategic and international issues, it was even more silent and vague. While Putin's visit to China was characterized by harmony and cordiality

between the two countries, the comprehensive economic and strategic partnership with Russia was reaffirmed and expanded. The shared political vision of building a multipolar world was also emphasized, along with a consensus on rejecting the unipolar international order that the United States is planning and attempting to impose on the world.

Relations between China and Russia are experiencing an unprecedented warmth and are developing in all areas, particularly in the economic sphere, and especially in the oil, gas, and rare earth sectors. Furthermore, there is complete agreement on strategic relations and on the issue of multipolarity.

In the economic field and in the language of numbers, China has become the main importer of Russian energy exports at preferential prices that benefit the Chinese economy. In the first two months of this year, 2026, China imported about 21.8 million tons of oil from Russia, which represents an increase of 41% compared to the same period of the previous year. This import compensated for the shortage in Chinese energy supplies from the Gulf countries via the Strait of Hormuz, and from Venezuela, which surrendered to complete American hegemony after the arrest of its president, Maduro.

Since 2025, prior to the outbreak of war with Iran, Russia has become China's largest energy supplier, exporting 101 million tons of crude oil and 49 billion cubic meters of gas via pipelines and liquefied natural gas (LNG). Russia aims to further increase its energy supplies to China through the proposed Power of Siberia 2 pipeline (Altai gas pipeline), which would transport Russian gas directly to China via Mongolia.

Conversely, technological and trade dialogue with the United States remains stalled, particularly regarding the export of rare earth minerals from China to the US. The issue of allowing the sale of new generations of American semiconductors to China is also unresolved, as are the outstanding issues of reciprocal tariffs, bilateral trade, Chinese purchases of American soybeans, and the sale of Boeing aircraft to China. In conclusion, China is dealing with America with coolness and caution, while its relationship with Russia is characterized by warmth and harmony. This signifies that the new international landscape is beginning to take shape, dominated by two main poles: America and China. Russia has clearly aligned itself with China, while Europe is distancing itself from America and not drawing closer to China, searching for its place among the four major powers.

This crystallization of the emerging multipolar world will take a difficult turn and will take a relatively long time to stabilize. This crystallization will pave the way for new powers to emerge through widening gaps in the international situation, which is often gradually taking shape. The Islamic state, by the Permission of Allah ﷻ, will be the new rising power that will overturn these international balances and become the undisputed leading global power.

# Arrests Without Charge and Merciless Torture: Palestinian Children in the Hell of the Prisons of the Jewish Occupation

**By: Ustadh Abdul Khaliq Abdoun\***

On May 6, 2026, Anadolu Agency reported that the army of the Jewish entity carried out raids in various areas of the occupied West Bank, resulting in the arrest of at least 17 Palestinians, including a child and two women. The Prisoners' Media Office stated that these attacks are part of an escalation in daily arrests carried out by occupation forces in the West Bank, targeting various groups, including women and children.

Palestinian institutions concerned with prisoners' affairs, including the Palestinian Prisoners' Club, stated that more than 1,630 children from the West Bank, including Al-Quds, and dozens from the Gaza Strip, have been arrested by the Jewish occupation since the start of the war on Gaza. They also reported the death of a child inside Megiddo Prison after being subjected to starvation, deprivation, and abuse. 350 Palestinian children remain imprisoned by the Jewish occupation, including two girls, in harsh conditions that blatantly violate all international standards for the protection of minors. They face torture, starvation, medical neglect, sexual assault, solitary confinement, and denial of family visits.

Human rights and international reports indicate that the arrest of Palestinian children by Jewish authorities is a systematic and ongoing practice. Approximately 700 Palestinian children are arrested annually. By the end of December 2025, the "Israeli Prison Service" reported holding 351 Palestinian minors on

security charges, in addition to 106 minors detained for illegal presence.

The occupation authorities employ harsh policies. Testimonies from the children indicate that 73% of them were subjected to physical violence after arrest, 95% were handcuffed, and 86% were blindfolded. Many children are arrested from their homes in the middle of the night, and interrogations are conducted without the presence of their parents or lawyers. A conviction rate as high as 95% has been recorded in military courts for children, with common charges including stone-throwing and incitement on social media. The Jewish entity employs administrative detention, which is detention without charge or trial, against children, and children of Al-Quds are particularly targeted, with hundreds being detained.

Over the past decades, the occupying Jewish entity has perpetrated physical and psychological abuse against child prisoners, through a series of systematic policies that violate human values. Children remain the most vulnerable group to its violations, whether through killing and injury, denial of education, or arrest, which has affected tens of thousands of them during raids, clashes, at checkpoints and in the streets, or from schools. Children in Gaza have frequently been used as human shields during the military operations of the Jewish entity. Furthermore, 20,000 children were killed during two years of genocidal warfare, and more than 56,000 children were orphaned, losing one or both parents, while more than 5,100 children require urgent medical evacuation to save their lives. This policy continues to this day, and this ideology is based on genocide and ethnic cleansing. This is what is happening now in the aggression against the Gaza Strip. The occupation's soldiers continue to kill

and arrest children, women, and the elderly, with no moral or humanitarian constraints on their behavior. Looking at the Jewish occupation's record of crimes throughout its existence, we find that it has no connection to humanity. Behind it stand extremist fatwas that permit the shedding of children's and women's blood out of fear of them and their potential to follow in their fathers' footsteps in defending their land, honor, and rights. Consequently, they see the necessity of eliminating the people of Palestine and the new generation of resistance within Palestine.

The children and women of Palestine and the Gaza Strip have always been a clear and explicit target for the Jewish occupation army. We find that in the years during which the occupation launches its aggression against the Gaza Strip, the number of martyrs among children and women doubles compared to other years. Most of the homes contain children and women, and the Jewish occupation forces bombard them with missiles and bombs to inflict maximum harm and force them to flee. Demographics are a crucial factor in the existence of Palestine, and the occupation seeks to outnumber the people of Palestine because a large population of the people of Palestine would pose an existential threat to the Jewish entity. Furthermore, the Jewish occupation bombs indiscriminately, aiming to terrorize the people of Palestine and prevent the emergence of a new generation of resistance fighters.

The political inaction in the face of these tragedies in Palestine, the arbitrary arrests of our children, and the suffering of our loved ones, is a true reflection of subservience to the West, particularly America, and is implemented by regimes in Muslim countries.

The Islamic Ummah will not be liberated, nor will the people of Palestine and its children be freed, nor will the crimes of this monstrous Jewish entity cease, except by removing these regimes and the agent states that serve the colonialist West in our lands and are subservient to its orders. The battle in Palestine is decisive, and it has revealed to the Ummah the true nature of this feeble, weak, and humiliated Jewish entity, protected by these regimes that mislead the Ummah and feed it rosy dreams under the guise of “frontline states,” “resistance,” “Al-Quds Army,” “states of steadfastness,” and so on!

Therefore, it was necessary to direct the message to a party other than these regimes and political circles, especially the rulers, although they are not exempt from the message for one reason only: their political subservience is a matter of choice, not slavery. The rulers are capable of making a single, swift decision to break free from the Western order and to mobilize their armies to Palestine to support its people and children, in obedience to the Words of Allah ﷻ Who said, ﴿وَمَا لَكُمْ لَا تُقَاتِلُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَالْمُسْتَضْعَفِينَ مِنَ الرِّجَالِ وَالنِّسَاءِ وَالْوِلْدَانِ﴾ **“And what is the matter with you that you do not fight in the cause of Allah and for the oppressed among men, women, and children?”** [TMQ Surah An-Nisaa: 75].

However, after decades of inaction, conspiracy, and bloodshed, the answer from those regimes was always clear, “We will not disobey our masters!” At this point, an immediate shift in discourse was necessary, urging the Ummah and its armies to mobilize and rebel against the regime that had betrayed the Deen, the interests of the state, and the people. This necessitated the mobilization crossing nationalistic borders to support the people of Palestine, especially its children, who had endured

humiliation and degradation under these outdated nationalistic regimes, in a swift and immediate action to support the people of Palestine and rescue their children, as mandated by Shariah Law. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿وَإِنِ اسْتَنْصَرُوكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ فَعَلَيْكُمُ النَّصْرُ﴾ **“And if they seek your help in Deen, then you must help them.”** [TMQ Surah Al-Anfal:72].

As for the overthrow of regimes and the establishment of the Second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the Method of the Prophethood, which establishes Islam as the ideology that governs the affairs of the people and the state, and everything related to them, it is an imperative that the armies give their nussrah (نصرة military support) to Hizb ut Tahrir, which represents the only political entity capable of establishing the Khilafah (Caliphate) and possesses a complete and clear vision for it in every detail. At that point, all the issues of the Muslims will be placed on the table of Shariah Law and jihad, foremost among them the issue of Palestine.

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# Has It Not Come Time for the Islamic Ummah to Remove Its Treacherous Rulers That Are Sitting on Its Chest?!

The rulers of the Muslims are those who enabled America to invade our lands and infiltrate them. They are the ones who opened them wide to host military bases that now number in the dozens. They are the ones who made peace with the Jewish entity, normalized relations with it, and established projects with it, allowing it to enter the lands of the Muslims. Thus, after all of this, it has become natural that our lands turn into an arena and playground for these criminals, where they implement whatever plans and projects they wish to tighten their control.

The rulers of the Muslims collaborated with America in its invasions of Iraq and Afghanistan, and in implementing its projects in al-Sham and Yemen, enabling it there. They continue to provide it and the Jewish entity with all financial, logistical, military, and political support needed to achieve their colonial objectives. In all of this, the victims are the Muslims, their lands, and their resources.

So, until when will the Ummah remain silent under the leadership of these traitors? Has it not become time to remove them from over it and appoint a single Khaleefah (Caliph) who unites its ranks, brings it together, and cuts off the hand of colonialism from our lands, so that it becomes once again a dignified Ummah that builds glory, not a weak Ummah and a stage for events?

Yes, by Allah, the time has come.

# The Politician Is Between Long-Term Hope and Istibshaar (استبشار Optimism in Glad Tidings) of the Promise of Allah ﷻ

By: Ustadh Mahmoud Ziad Abdul Qader – Al-Quds

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, «بَشِّرُوا وَلَا تَنْفَرُوا» “Give glad tidings and do not repulse them” [Bukhari and Muslim]. Some people might think that when you remind them of the Promise of Allah ﷻ, that the Khilafah (Caliphate) is imminent, that victory is coming, that America is on the verge of collapse, that we will liberate Palestine, conquer Rome soon, and rule the entire world according to the Shariah Law of Allah ﷻ—you are living in a dream world. Some might think you are saying this without being convinced it will happen soon, that it is merely metaphorical, and that it might occur in a hundred years or more. Others might say you are simply following the orders of your hizb or sheikh, repeating these words without thinking. However, the truth is that Istibshaar (استبشار Optimism in Glad Tidings) in the Promise is, first and foremost, a Shariah command from Allah ﷻ, Who created us and knows best what is good for us.

Allah ﷻ says, ﴿أَلَا إِنَّ نَصْرَ اللَّهِ قَرِيبٌ﴾ “Indeed, the victory of Allah is near” [TMQ Surah Al-Baqarah: 214], which means tell them, O Muhammad ﷺ, that victory is near. So, tell them, O servant of Allah ﷻ, that victory is near. So, tell those who work with you not to despair, for victory is near. So, tell the Ummah to hasten its steps to achieve that. So, tell them that the Khilafah is near. So, tell them that the fall of America is near. So, tell them that the Khilafah will reach as far as the night and day reach, soon, and soon we will rule the world with the justice of Islam. So, tell them

that whoever was oppressed will, Allah ﷻ willing, become a ruler over a country, as the Companion Utbah ibn Ghazwan (ra) said, who embraced Islam at the beginning of the Prophetic mission in Makkah and strove with the Prophet ﷺ and the Companions (ra) during the period of oppression to establish the Islamic state. Utbah (ra), said, **فَمَا أَصْبَحَ الْيَوْمَ مِنَّا أَحَدٌ إِلَّا أَصْبَحَ أَمِيرًا عَلَى مِصْرٍ مِنَ الْأَمْصَارِ** **“Today, there is no one among us who has not become a ruler over one of the countries.”** After weakness, torture, and eating tree leaves, he becomes a ruler. Glory be to Allah ﷻ Who made the outcome for the righteous. By the Permission of Allah ﷻ, we will witness the change of our situation in this time, and how the one who carries the Dawah to establish the Khilafah, who is pursued by intelligence agencies, and tortured in prisons, will become a ruler of India, or France, or a Shariah judge in Britain, or a Khaleefah (Caliph) of the world who rules it with the Shariah Law of Allah ﷻ.

When the Prophet ﷺ ordered the Companions (ra) to give people good tidings, it was in compliance with the revelation and what Allah ﷻ wanted, and then with the results that follow, which will be achieved sooner or later. The Prophet ﷺ encouraged his Companions (ra) to act, giving them glad tidings of Allah's promise and the approaching relief, assuring them that it was truly near, even if they did not witness it or its imminence. This was not wishful thinking or complacency, but instead divine guidance illuminating the path. Furthermore, in Arabic language and Islamic jurisprudence, (الخبر المقرون مع المدح يفيد الطلب) “Any news contextualized by praise constitutes a request (talab).” When the Prophet ﷺ said, **«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ، وَلِنَعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا، وَلِنَعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ»** **“Constantinople will surely be conquered, and what a wonderful commander its commander will be, and what a wonderful army that army will be,”** the

Companions (ra) understood this correctly and immediately mobilized towards Constantinople to conquer it. The Companion Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (ra) was buried at its gates, and the Eyüp Sultan Masjid in Istanbul stands as a testament to his heroism. The glad tiding was fulfilled nearly 800 years later.

Istibshaar (استبشار Optimism in Glad Tidings) in goodness and victory is for the politician to bolster the resolve of those striving to support Islam, strengthening their determination. This is whilst the disbelievers and their allies constantly strive to instill despair and defeatism in the hearts of those striving for change and the wider Islamic Ummah, hoping to paralyze them and prevent them from striving for transformation. The path is long and arduous, and one cannot truly grasp how far one has traveled to reach the goal, when the Khilafah will be established, how much longer until America falls, when victory will come, when Palestine will be liberated, when the Pharaoh will drown, and when the agent regimes will collapse. This path cannot be measured in meters, nor by instruments or laboratories. One cannot simply say, for example, that the distance is ten steps, and that seven steps have been taken, leaving three remaining. Another speech was necessary, one that would motivate those who strive on the one hand, and on the other hand reveal the truth that every action taken truly affects people, as if it were a step on the path of change. Every political action on the path of change, striving to establish the Khilafah and make Islam dominant over the entire world, every action on this path has its impact, even if it seems small in the eyes of many people, but it is great in the Sight of Allah ﷻ. So do not belittle any action of Dawah and politics, for mountains are made of pebbles, revolutions are born from words, uprooting of thrones from contacting and visits, victory from protests and publications, movements from statements and

marches, and revival and change from sermons, lessons, speeches, halaqaat, and gatherings...

However, a politician must be careful when giving people glad tidings of the Promise of Allah ﷻ that the ultimate victory belongs to the righteous. He must not be drawn into making incorrect assumptions, such as specifying a date and time for victory or the occurrence of a particular event, or predicting a major event like the collapse of America within, say, 10 years. He must also avoid political analyses for the sake of analysis alone, or analyses influenced by our yearning for victory, or applying end-times prophecies to our current situation. He must not preoccupy people with such analyses and attempts to understand them, instead of understanding the Ahadith of the Prophet as the Companions (ra) understood them: that they are meant to urge action in accordance with the glad tidings they contain. The Khilafah will not be established without action, Palestine will not be liberated by the earth swallowing it up, Rome will not be conquered by angels, and America will not fall by a violent wind, but instead by our own hands. So, rejoice in glad tidings, put your reliance (توکل tawwakul) in Allah ﷻ, and strive hard, O doers of good deeds! The trench is not yet complete, the confederate tribes of Quraysh and Ghatafan are on their way, the hypocrites are lying in wait for Al-Madinah, and there are those who have betrayed the covenant and stabbed in the back. We must move towards the palaces of the Persians, the Romans, Yemen, Ash-Sham, Madain, and Sana'a. We are promised the destruction of the tyrants and despots and the removal of the bracelets of Chosroes, by the Permission of Allah ﷻ.

## O Armies in the Lands of Muslims! Are You Not the Impregnable Fortress of Your Countries?



**O Armies in the Lands of Muslims:** How long will you remain still over the actions of the Ruwaybidah (insignificant) corrupt? Are you not the impregnable fortress of your countries? Is your duty not to protect the Ummah and the people? Or has your Aqeedah changed under the pretext of obeying rulers, while you know that there is no obedience to any creature in disobedience to the Creator? And that those you obey today will disown you on the Day of Resurrection, and you will not be able to disown them in that momentous standing before Allah, the Almighty and the Majestic? Know that you are responsible for the crimes of the rulers in your countries, and that you are capable of changing them. So, act before you regret it, when regret will be of no avail!

**O Muslims:** The time has come to shake off the dust of humiliation from yourselves that humiliation caused by your Ruwaybidah rulers in their obedience to their masters from the disbelieving colonial powers. The time has come for you to change their evils. For besides the blatant evils and disbelief protected by their man-made constitutions, they have turned the lands into a stage for the armies of the disbelieving colonialist powers those who wish no good for you, who plunder your wealth and public properties, and who prevent you from striving for the pleasure of Allah Almighty by implementing His law and carrying His message to people, just as the Messenger of Allah ﷺ, his Companions (ra), and the Khaleefah (Caliphs) after him did.

**O Muslims:** Days and events in recent years have proven to you that you are capable of facing your enemies, and that your enemy without the betrayals and conspiracies of your rulers against you cannot do anything in your lands. Remember that you are the best Ummah ever brought forth for mankind, by your Iman in Allah ﷻ, enjoining good and forbidding evil. So, hasten to the real change that the pioneering guide, Hizb ut Tahrir, who does not lie to its charge, calls you to. Strive with it to establish the Second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly-Guided Caliphate) upon the Method of the Prophethood, so that the armies of the disbelieving peoples are driven back from your lands, or so that you make them a graveyard for them.

# Waterways in the Lands of the Muslims Are a Strategic Wealth



The predicament of Trump does not lie only in the nature of his adversaries, but in the nature of the region itself. The Strait of Hormuz is not merely a waterway; it is an international pressure point capable of turning any limited confrontation into a global crisis.

Thus, America finds itself trapped between two difficult choices: escalation, which could ignite the entire region, or de-escalation, which may be interpreted as a retreat from its rhetoric of strength. In the end, the Hormuz crisis reveals a consistent fact in international politics: military power, no matter how great, is not always sufficient to resolve conflicts especially when geography intertwines with economics and regional and international calculations become increasingly complex.

Amid these transformations, an undeniable fact emerges: the waterways located at the heart of the Muslim world are not merely geographical borders or shipping routes, but a vast strategic wealth granted by Allah ﷻ to this Ummah. From the Strait of Hormuz to Bab al-Mandab, from the Suez Canal to the Strait of Malacca and other vital passages, Muslims have long held the keys to global trade and energy flows. Yet they have not succeeded until today in transforming this blessing into a unified economic and political power that serves their peoples and preserves their independence.

These waterways are not a political burden as some portray them. Instead, they are a historic opportunity to build a global economic power if Muslims are able to invest them properly in order to restore their lost dignity and honor.

# Trump's Visit to China: A Moment of Broken Hegemony and Fading American Power!

**By: Ustadh Manaji Muhammad**

There are pivotal historical moments, defining the rise and fall of nations and civilizations. America's war against Iran is almost certainly one such historical moment, a turning point where a dominant power experiences the harsh realities of weakness and the profound decay that gnaws at its core, threatening the collapse of the state and the fall of the empire.

America's war against Iran is akin to the Soviet Union's war against Afghanistan, a war that reveals the complete collapse of the state, the limitations of its inflated material power, and the shattering of its tools of control, domination, and subjugation.

Today, America is grappling with its own suffocating geostrategic and historical predicament. The war with Iran, with its counterproductive results and disastrous repercussions for American influence and hegemony, has exposed the limitations of America's military power and the depth of its strategic dilemma. Neither Iran has been subdued nor China stifled; on the contrary, the war with Iran has become America's own suffocating predicament.

In this toxic strategic climate and at this critical juncture, amidst America's entanglement in a war of attrition against Iran, its president, Trump, decided to visit China with an army of American capitalist cronies. In his complete strategic blindness, hollow arrogance, and lack of political foresight, he turned a blind eye to the magnitude of his strategic predicament, and ignored

the fact that he was in a very precarious position. China was not about to let this exceptional strategic opportunity pass without seizing it, and reaping some of its benefits, as Chinese President Xi Jinping did with Trump.

Had America possessed any remaining strategic sense, the visit to China would not have taken place at this critical and disastrous time for America. But it was Trump's strategic blindness and hollow arrogance that made the visit, and the two-day summit, a sign of the erosion of American hegemony, and a shattering of the arrogance of its leadership and its president, Trump.

The summit began with Chinese President Xi Jinping defining and focusing in his opening speech on the nature of the exceptional strategic moment, that it is China's historic moment as a global power to discuss world issues with America, not to discuss America's interests. Xi Jinping's statement on 14 May 2026 was noteworthy, "Can China and the United States overcome the Thucydides Trap and create a new paradigm of major-country relations? Can we meet global challenges together and provide greater stability for the world? Can we build a bright future together for our bilateral relations in the interest of the well-being of the two peoples and the future of humanity? These are the questions vital to history, to the world and to the people... They are the questions of our times that the leaders of major countries need to answer together."

As for America's interests, for which Trump assembled an army of American capitalist giants, from Elon Musk of Tesla and Jensen Huang of Nvidia to Tim Cook, CEO of Apple, Trump declared in a meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping, "We have the greatest businessmen, the biggest and I guess the best in the world. We have amazing people and they're all with me." Yet China ignored

them, leaving them on the sidelines. The most they achieved was attending a formal dinner at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing!

Furthermore, the issue of Iran and the Hormuz crisis, which is troubling America, was met with complete indifference from China, masking its disregard for Trump's demands. There was no public commitment from China to help America resolve its war with Iran, and lift the blockade imposed on the Strait of Hormuz.

There is no strategic mind in China that would not push for the continuation of the war. The Iran war is America's predicament, its suffocating trap, and its destructive geostrategic dilemma. China sees in the war and America's predicament an element that serves its long-term strategic interests, in addition to the existence of the Caspian Sea, as an alternative to the Strait of Hormuz, for China's imports of Iranian oil.

The most that emerged from Trump's visit to China was a Chinese promise, not a finalized deal, to purchase 200 Boeing aircraft. This falls far short of Trump's expectations of 500 planes and is even less than the 300-plane deal Beijing agreed to during Trump's first visit in 2017. This failure was reflected in the drop in Boeing's stock price following the summit.

Furthermore, the summit only briefly touched upon the sensitive and critical issue of semiconductor chips and their role in artificial intelligence systems. This issue lies at the heart of the US-China technological conflict, as China has made technology a non-negotiable matter of sovereignty.

As for the agricultural agreement concerning soybeans, what was agreed upon represents half of what China imported from the US during the Biden administration before Trump announced the

tariff increases that disrupted supply chains. In other words, Trump's tariffs backfired, as the agreement only restored half of what was already in place, which wouldn't have been considered an achievement.

What China did achieve, however, was Trump's acknowledgment of the benefits of Chinese companies and investors acquiring agricultural land and farms within the US. Trump stated during the China summit that banning the sale of these lands to foreigners would lead to lower land prices and losses for farmers. What was permitted and legally enforced under Obama and Biden was now endorsed by Trump at the summit, even though the ban was a key campaign promise. Furthermore, Trump announced his explicit support for accepting Chinese students into American universities, a notable retreat from the strict restrictions previously imposed by his administration. These Chinese students in American universities are the future leaders of China, benefiting from American knowledge, expertise, and laboratories funded by US debt to develop China!

The summit was decidedly Chinese. All major strategic issues, such as the Belt and Road Initiative, the Taiwan issue, technology, and artificial intelligence; all these burning issues that trouble America, were closed to Trump, leaving him with nothing but soybeans and a vague, non-binding promise to buy 200 Boeing aircraft.

The stark strategic irony is that the Chinese president, who met with two American presidents in the US, a summit with Obama in Washington in 2014 and another with Biden in San Francisco in 2023, seeking to secure China's interests, is now the one Trump is visiting in Beijing to secure America's interests. This is a sign of

the erosion of American hegemony and the beginning of the countdown to the empire's collapse.

Indeed, Putin's visit to Beijing, and its timing immediately following Trump's summit there, was no mere coincidence. The invitation to the visit came from Xi Jinping to his Russian counterpart, a message from China to America that the Sino-Russian alliance, which America seeks to break, is growing stronger and more resilient. Beyond that, strategically, it sends a message that the American era is over and the era of Eurasia is upon us!

However, for Islam and its Ummah, there is another strategic reality, a decisive truth: time has turned its wheel, and this is certainly not the era of America, nor Eurasia, nor China. It is undoubtedly the era of the great Islam and the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of the Prophethood, to dispel the darkness of all forms of ignorance and bring humanity out of its darkness into its light, guidance, and mercy.

# The Justification of the Deceivers for the Crime of Negotiations by Lebanon with the Jewish Entity

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One of the most dangerous afflictions Muslims face today is the confusion of concepts and the removal of Shariah rulings from their contexts. This is then used to mislead people in the name of Shariah Law and the Seerah of the Prophet ﷺ, making truth appear falsehood, falsehood appear truth, treachery appear wisdom, and capitulation appear political!

To illustrate this, let's imagine someone asking: What is the Shariah ruling on cohabitation between a man and a woman without marriage? Then someone might respond: Islam commands good relations between men and women, and establishes love and mercy between them. On the surface, this statement must seem true, but in reality, it is deception and misrepresentation, as it implies that adultery or illicit relationships fall under this category. This is precisely what the advocates of normalization and surrender are doing today when asked about the ruling on recognizing the occupying Jewish entity. They say: The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ made treaties with the Jews and the disbelievers!

The treaties of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ were never a recognition of an occupier, nor a normalizing endorsement of a usurper, nor a surrender of Muslim lands, nor submission to an enemy who desecrated sanctities, shed blood, and established his entity upon the skulls of the Ummah. Instead, they were treaties of a mighty and powerful state, raising the Word of Allah ﷻ as

the Highest and humbling His enemies, and conducted according to the Shariah rulings, which Islam entrusted to the Khaleefah (Caliph), not to individuals or agent regimes that sell out the Ummah for a pittance.

Furthermore, those who cite the treaties of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ ignore a crucial fact: Palestine is not a disputed territory between two states, but instead occupied Islamic land. The Jews there are not a state with whom we can enter into an agreement as equals, but instead the Jewish entity is a usurping force implanted by the forces of disbelief in the heart of the Ummah to be a dagger in its side. Therefore, merely using the name “State of Israel” is a recognition of a false legitimacy that Islam and every Muslim rejects. The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ made treaties with the Jews, either while they were under the authority of Islam, such as Banu Nadir, Banu Qurayza, and Banu Qaynuqa, or after he had fought and defeated them, and they had submitted to his rule, as in Khaybar, Wadi al-Qura, Fadak, and Tayma. This means that our Prophet ﷺ held definitive supremacy over the Jews, then wrote treaties for them and specified their rulings. This was the reality of his ﷺ agreements with them. He ﷺ would never—Allah ﷻ forbid—make treaties with them while they were occupying Muslim lands, killing their people, and destroying their sanctities.

Banu Qaynuqa, Banu Nadir, and Banu Qurayza were within Al-Madinah under the rule of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. He bound them to treaties that he imposed upon them, commanding and forbidding them. They did not impose their conditions on him or extract from him recognition of their independence, as is the case with the Jewish entity and our rulers today.

If you truly seek sound reasoning, your evidence must be drawn from the life and example of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and his Sunnah regarding those Jews who betrayed and transgressed. How did he ﷺ deal with them? Did he ﷺ reaffirm normalization of their occupation and emphasize the necessity of peace with them day and night, as the tyrants of the Muslim World do, responding to the repeated treachery of the Jewish entity by reviving the cycle of normalization and negotiations?

When the Banu Nadir betrayed him and attempted to assassinate him ﷺ, he besieged them, expelled them, and confiscated their wealth. Allah ﷻ revealed Surah Al-Hashr concerning them. And when the Banu Qaynuqa' assaulted a Muslim woman, the Messenger of Allah ﷺ gathered them, expelled them from Al-Madinah in humiliation, and confiscated their property. As for the Banu Qurayza, when they broke their treaty and allied themselves with the confederate tribes against the Muslims, Allah ﷻ decreed their execution, enslavement, and the division of their property. The Prophet ﷺ said to Sa'd ibn Mu'adh, **«لَقَدْ حَكَمْتَ فِيهِمْ بِحُكْمِ اللَّهِ مِنْ فَوْقِ سَبْعِ سَمَاوَاتٍ»** **“You have judged them according to Allah's decree from above the seven heavens.”** This means that fighting the treacherous is Allah's command and decree, not surrender and normalization.

As for Khaybar, which conspired against Islam and harbored its enemies, the Prophet ﷺ fought them and conquered their fortresses, without offering them anything in return, accepting negotiation, or making any compromises. One of the results of this decisive victory was that the remaining Jewish tribes were terrified, and came to him ﷺ, offering their allegiance and seeking his ﷺ protection, their faces humbled and their humiliation ensured. Then our Prophet ﷺ dictated treaties to

them. He dictated treaties for the people of Khaybar and those who came after them, such as the tribes of Fadak, Tayma, and Wadi al-Qura, making agreements with them that they would pay the jizya (tribute) or fay' (booty), and that they would work and contribute their produce to the state.

So where is this in relation to claims of “peace, coexistence, and ending the conflict”? What comparison can there be between the noble example of the Prophet ﷺ and those who rush to Jewish embassies, allow the occupier into Muslim lands, and shake the hands of criminals stained with the blood of the children of Gaza and all of Palestine?

Normalization is not a political choice, nor a contemporary interpretation. Instead, it is a normalizing recognition of usurpation, a legitimization of occupation, and a betrayal of Allah ﷻ, His Messenger ﷺ and the believers. Those who justify it in the name of realism, pragmatism or helplessness are merely donning the garb of humiliation and then demanding that the nation don it with them! Yes, a Muslim may be powerless to effect change, may be oppressed, and may be prevented from bearing arms. However, the powerless are not called upon to betray, and the oppressed are not ordered to recognize their oppressor. If you cannot resist, then do not applaud the occupier, do not grant them legitimacy, and do not bring upon yourself the shame of accepting them.

Furthermore, our hatred of other criminal projects, such as the Iranian nationalist sectarian project amongst others, does not mean that the Jews must become our allies, or that America must become our friend. All of these are enemies, even if their faces and tools differ. The aware believer is the one who recognizes all their enemies and does not allow themselves to be led from one

trench to another in the name of secular politics and worldly interests.

They have sought to make humiliation a culture, defeat an awareness, and surrender wisdom, to the point that some people cite the life of the Prophet ﷺ to justify bowing down to the Jewish entity! Far be it from the Messenger of Allah ﷺ that his Seerah should be a bridge for traitors to cross to the tables of normalization. The only relationship we have with this occupying Jewish entity today is one of conflict, denial, and rejection, until Allah ﷻ lifts this affliction from the Ummah and restores to the Muslims their authority, under whose Rayah banner they strive to liberate Palestine and all Muslim lands. So, stand firm on the truth, and do not be deceived by the embellishments of the media, nor misled by the fatwas of rulers. Know that the aggressor Jews are enemies of Allah ﷻ, His Messenger ﷺ and the Muslims, and that the honor of the Ummah and its Aqeedah are greater than all the calculations of humiliating secular politics. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿وَلَيَنْصُرَنَّ اللَّهُ مَن يَنْصُرُهُ﴾ **“And Allah will surely support those who support Him.”** [TMQ Surah Al-Hajj: 40].

# Nations Neither Rise Through Neglectful Inaction, Nor Does Their Situation Change Through Making Excuses



Neglecting the Shariah obligation of supporting Islam is not limited to abandoning fighting or significant stances. It may begin with matters people consider small: remaining silent about munkar (evil) out of fear of people's criticism, neglecting inviting others to ma'ruf (goodness) due to negligence or worldly preoccupation, or limiting oneself to Salah and a few acts of worship while ignoring the concerns and affairs of Muslims. It may also appear as abandoning striving for the sake of the Deen under the excuse of being busy with work and daily life. Over time, avoidance becomes a habit, and the heart grows accustomed to justifying negligence until it loses its sense of shortcoming.

The Companions (ra) of the Messenger of Allah ﷺ, when they missed an opportunity for good, would feel sadness and remorse, because they knew that life is short and that a person will stand before Allah ﷻ and be questioned about his Deen, his Shariah obligation toward it, and what he has presented for it. Today, however, many people when they fall short seek someone who will justify their negligence, instead of someone who reminds them of Allah ﷻ.

Indeed, the Ummah does not rise through the negligent, nor do its conditions change through making excuses. It rises through sincere men and women who take responsibility, struggle against themselves, and strive for their Deen even if only in small ways. Allah ﷻ says, ﴿وَقُلْ اَعْمَلُوا فَسَيَرَى اللّٰهُ عَمَلَكُمْ﴾ **“Tell them, O Prophet, “Do as you will. Your deeds will be observed by Allah.”**” [TMQ Surah At-Tawbah 105]

Let us always ask ourselves: what have we presented for Islam? And are we among the sincere who strive, or amongst those who make excuses?

## A Delegation from Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah of Sudan Met with the Amir of the Hausa Tribes in Port Sudan



On Thursday, 21/5/2026, a delegation from Hizb ut Tahrir/ Wilayah of Sudan, led by the Head of the Central Communications Committee of Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah of Sudan, Ustadh Nasser Reda, accompanied by Ustadh Abdullah Ismail, Coordinator of the Communications Committee, met with the Amir of the Hausa tribes in Port Sudan Province, Ustadh Salih Abdul Rahman, at his home. The following individuals were also present at the meeting:

- 1- Nour El-Din Mohammed, Chief of the Hausa Tribes in the Red Sea Province.
- 2- Hassan Osman Youssef, a tribal elder.

3- Dr. Abdullah Hassan Abdullah, a tribal elder and university professor.

4- Dr. Amir Ahmad Osman, the tribe's Secretary-General.

After introductions, Ustadh Nasser Reda explained that the goal of Hizb ut Tahrir is the resumption of Islamic way of life through the establishment of the Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the method of Prophethood, and the manifestation of the Deen, emphasizing the obligation to achieve this and to support those working towards it.

He also emphasized the bond of Islamic brotherhood and the unity of the Ummah and the state in the face of the kafir colonial project that seeks to tear the Ummah apart through bloodshed and tribalism.

Everyone affirmed and praised the proposal, agreeing that the Hausa people have a long-standing Islamic tradition and represent fertile ground for the Islamic project, as well as being a vital safeguard for the country's unity and social fabric.

They welcomed the meeting, emphasizing its value and the importance of continued cooperation on this project for the benefit of the country and its people.