

## DEMO TALK: 20<sup>th</sup> JULY 2002

### WAR ON TERRORISM = WAR ON ISLAM

- We have gathered here today in protest against America's designs to eradicate Islam. We are gathered here today in protest against the west's bloody war on terrorism a war that is undoubtedly nothing more than conspiracy spearheaded by the US and her allies to subvert the Islamic Creed. A conspiracy to sustain and increase America's hegemony over the Muslim lands. A grand plan to exploit the wealth that Allah swt has bestowed upon them, to maintain their division at the hands of corrupt Muslim rulers and to ensure America's hegemony and its state sponsored terrorism remains, unchallenged, unquestioned and her power unmatched.
- George Bush told the world "**You're either with us or you are with the terrorist**" and since then the Muslims of this earth have known no security adding to the 77 years of oppression that we have experienced since the destruction of the Khilafah.
- What followed on the 7<sup>th</sup> of October was an aggressive and brutal war on our brothers and sisters in Afghanistan whom the bombs of the tyrants landed indiscriminately upon their malnourished and unprotected bodies sparing no man, woman and child.
- What followed was a terror beyond comprehension for a people who have known little peace, what followed was overwhelming horror for a people, whose first question after a night of freezing cold and uncomfortable sleep is what will we eat.
- Tens of thousands of innocent civilians have perished, their mud huts destroyed, as the so called civilised world rained their uninterrupted death on Afghanistan, as the Strong began to bully the weak, as the richest nations on this earth unleashed their vengeance on its poorest.
- Since then we have witnessed an unjustified crackdown on Islamic Groups specifically in Muslim countries the leaders of which are eager to please their master America, even though some of these groups have never lifted a weapon. In Uzbekistan alone tens of thousands fill the Uzbek prisons, their crime: they believe in Allah SWT and recognize no sovereignty but His.
- Since then we have seen the oppression of Muslims in the West especially those of America- to the West now every Muslim is a suspected terrorist. Thousands have been rounded up in the US without charge and without evidence.
- My dear brothers is there any doubt in our mind that far from being a war on terror that indeed this is a war on Islam.
- Regardless of the reassurances of the hypocrites, regardless of the so called Muslim scholars and rulers that stand shoulder to shoulder with the western leaders, **is this ummah going to swallow the pill of apathy and ignorance when our backs are scarred by the claws of western imperialism, when the earth is soaked with our blood, and the blood of our loved ones?**

#### Consider this:

- The Muslims were blamed for September the 11<sup>th</sup> and we are yet to see any sound proofs, but Hollywood style doctored evidence with actors and extras.
- Islam has been put on trial, but the verdict of guilty was issued before proceedings commenced
- The media has made Islam the subject of its discussion, we have been bombarded by programmes and articles from newspapers to television and all that's in between urging us to

**redefine Islam, to reconsider Allah's words** and to **make His deen more palatable to western tastes**, to accept the West's political culture, and the pragmatists and hypocrites amongst us were quick to accept the challenge.

- We have seen India and Israel under the guise of the War on Terror further their interest and spill the blood of Muslims. Tens of thousands murdered by the Hindu mob in Gujrat with the assistance of the Indian government.
- It has been stated that since September the 11<sup>th</sup> every statement given by an Israeli official has contained the word 'terrorists or terrorism' to justify Israel's **un-accounted, endorsed, sponsored** and **encouraged massacre Muslim's in Palestine**. Who can forget the images from Jenin
- The corrupt Muslim rulers the enemies within, Musharaf, Islam Karimov and their likes were quick to extend all the courtesies required to facilitate this war and now they have turned their attention to **deconstruct Islam** and **secularise their countries** at America's request, nay rather her orders. Launching their mini wars against Islamic groups, mosques, madrassas and all opposition to their tyrannical and kuffur rule.
- So is this a war on terror?
- No the facts emphasise that it is a war on Islam and the Muslims, It is America's quest to destroy any notion of the rise of a new 'new world order' to challenge her hegemony, it is her quest to rape and pillage the resources of the Muslim lands, it is a war to subvert Islam and reduce it to nothing more than a religion, a religion without systems, without a state to implement its thought, propagate it and defend it and the honour and lives of those who embrace it, it is a war to suppress the Islamic dawah in the hearts and the minds of the Muslims, a race to establish military basis in the Muslim lands in order to ensure American influence therein.

## The Politics of Terrorism

- My dear brothers, the reality is that there is no war on terrorism, but there is the '**Politics of Terrorism**'.
- Some could argue what benefit can America seek from creating an imaginary enemy, and why do Muslims insist that there is a war on Islam when they are allowed to practise their religion freely without persecution- when they can build their mosques and schools, halal shops, etc. and could it not be that America is just trying to defend her self?

### Let us look at the facts:

- The U.S administration has made no secret neither has she shied away from declaring her position on this earth today.
- George Bush senior in 1992 made the following statement " **A world once divided into to armed camps now recognises one sole and pre-eminent power, the United States of America**". And undoubtedly American foreign policy is geared to sustain this.
- Americans within the Foreign Office have summed up its foreign policy to the following four pillars:

1. Making the world open and hospitable for **globalisation**, particularly American-based Multinational corporations;
  2. **Enhancing the financial statements of defence contractors** at home who have contributed generously to members of Congress and residents of the White House;
  3. **Preventing the rise** of any society that might serve as a successful example of an **alternative to the capitalist model**;
  4. **Extending political, economic and military hegemony** over as much of the globe as possible, **to prevent the rise of any regional power that might challenge American supremacy**, and **to create a world order** in America's image, as befits the world's only superpower.
- These are the ends that America wishes to achieve and in pursuit of this she will utilise any means possible regardless of human life or human rights, and this is the politics of terrorism.

**To elaborate:**

- For over 70 years, the US has been working tirelessly to convince the world that there is an **'international communist conspiracy'** bent on filling the world with evil and destroying all that is good, namely Western values.
- This was used as a basis to justify America's military programme and her cruel wars that she imposed on the people of Cuba, Panama and Vietnam to name but a few.
- It was used as the basis to justify the huge expenditure on military armament to line up the pockets of defence contractors who as we mentioned were the patrons of White House officials and congress, but in reality there was no conspiracy just an **American propaganda machine to facilitate the American grand plan of world domination and destroy the possibility of an alternative to the capitalist way of life**. And naturally in a supposed world of freedom of expression, belief and the rest of the hype how can you justify bombing or demonising a people who simply desire an alternative way of life. Simply create **'imaginary enemies without numbers and threats without ends'**.

Quote:

**Our government has kept us in a perpetual state of fear --kept us in a continuous stampede of patriotic fervor – with the cry of grave national emergency. Always there has been some terrible evil ... to gobble us up if we did not blindly rally behind it by furnishing the exorbitant funds demanded. Yet, in retrospect, these disasters seem never to have happened, seem never to have been quite real.**

General Douglas MacArthur, speaking of large Pentagon Budgets, 1957

- To further elaborate the purpose of this imaginary enemy:

**The whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed (and hence clamorous to be led to safety) by an endless series of hobgoblins, most of them imaginary.** H.L. Mencken, 1920

Col. Dennis Long, speaking in 1992, two years after the end of the Cold War, when he was director of "total armor force readiness" at Fort Knox states:

**For 50 years, we equipped our football team, practiced five days a week and never played a game. We had a clear enemy with demonstrable qualities, and we had scouted them out.**

**[Now] we will have to practice day in and day out without knowing anything about the other team. We won't have his playbook, we won't know where the stadium is, or how many guys he will have on the field. That is very distressing to the military establishment, especially when you are trying to justify the existence of your organization and your systems.**

## **The USA – Pirate of land Sea and Air**

- My dear Muslim brothers and sisters no longer can the Americans shout **“The Russians are coming and they are six feet tall”** for there is no longer a communist threat and neither does America see in Russia today an alternative world order. But she is shouting the **‘Muslims are coming and they are terrorist’**. In place of the International communist conspiracy Washington is now fighting an **international Islamic conspiracy**, a war on terror.
- But the facts of the matter are there is no war on terror.
- If there was the royal marines and the SAS will be storming the beaches of Florida, where more CIA funded terrorist, ex- Latin American dictators and torturers, are given refuge than any other place in the world.
- The facts of the matter are that there is a war of the mighty against the weak
- Mr Bush stated that America was attacked on September the 11<sup>th</sup> because it is **“the brightest beacon of freedom and opportunity in the world”**. But the facts of the matter are that his administration is the beacon of evil, the beacon of self-interest and greed.
- In the Geneva Convention in the 1970s the intelligence community defined Terrorism as such: **‘The use of violence against civil interests to achieve political objectives’**, in Brewers dictionary of politics it is defined as **‘propaganda by deed’**.
- According to these two Western definitions than undoubtedly, the US Administration is by far the biggest terrorist this world has ever seen.
- She is responsible of the mass genocide of the America’s native red Indians whom she has stolen their land.
- She brought the blacks of Africa and enslaved and still continues to racially discriminate against them.
- She has dropped Nuclear bombs in Hiroshima & Nagasaki in 1945, even though the Japanese have tried in numerous attempts to surrender, killing 140,000 and 70,000 innocent civilians respectively.
- In 1998 the U.S navy shot down an Iranian commercial airliner, Gorge Bush senior the then U.S president refused to apologise and only stated **“I will never apologise for the United States of America- I don’t care what the facts are”**.
- Over 200,000 people died in desert storm as a result of America’s aggression against Iraq, and why? not for peace, not for justice, not for democracy as they make out, then for what? **“ Our jobs, our way of life, our own freedom and the freedom of friendly countries around the world will suffer if the greatest oil reserves (i.e Saudi Arabia), fell into the hands of saddam”** George Bush Sr.

- In the 1990 when the then U.S ambassador was asked about the presence of the U.S troops in the Persian gulf he responded: **“We have come to correct the Lord for placing the oil reserves in these lands whilst the civilised world is elsewhere”**.
- In the last 10 years nearly 1 million Iraqi’s have perished as a result of U.S foreign policy in terms of bombing with weapons of depleted uranium and the cruel economic sanctions and when Collin Powell was told about the figure of those killed due to his governments foreign policy he replied **“it’s really not a number I am terribly interested in”**. Medaline Al bright when asked whether the no of 500,000 children who died at the hands of the US was worth it she replied, **“Yes we think it was worth it.”** And when she was heckled about this she replied **“God Bless America”**
- Indeed the US Administration is the Pirate of the Lands Air and Sea, and they make no secret of this or hide this with all arrogance they will state this without shame and without any fear of retribution. Brigadier General William Looney who said in the Washington Post: **“If they turn on the radars we’re going to blow up their goddamn SAMs. They know we own their country. We own their airspace...We dictate the way they live and talk. And that’s what’s great about America right now. It’s a good thing, especially when there’s a lot of oil out there that we need.”**
- While the US may claim to be a beacon of freedom and democracy, their support for a variety of unsavoury dictators and tyrants throughout the world is well known.
- General Musharraf of Pakistan may now be respectfully referred to as President by the US in their time of need, but he never attained that position via the ballot box or by the consent of the people.
- President Mubarak of Egypt, the US’s main stooge in the Middle East, regularly gains a laughable 99.8% of the vote in so-called elections.
- President Islam Karimov, the West’s new crooked ally, If you want see how he deals with opposition and accountability look at the picture of Farhad Usmanov, tortured to death, his skull cracked open, his brain removed, his torso knifed open and then stitched with malice and they say he die from a heart attack.
- In addition, many countries can feel aggrieved at the devastation caused by widespread sectarian violence that has been funded from the US.
- The most famous example of this is the IRA and its splinter organisations that were able to fundraise with impunity in the US and unleash terror on the British mainland.
- Could Britain claim that the US ‘harboured’ those who were busy raising funds for the IRA and therefore launch a cluster bomb attack on Camp David or the White House?
- More recently the focus turned to the massacre at Mazare Sherif where a new documentary presents facts that US troops cut the tongue’s of Taliban prisoners and used to shave of their hair and pour acid like substances on the prisoners, and this is not the eye witness testimony of a Taliban or Al Qaeda prisoner, but the eye witness testimony of Northern Alliance fighters US allies in the war on terror.
- My dear Muslim brothers and sisters if this is not the use of violence against civil interests to achieve military objectives then what is? **If this is not terrorism at the highest level then what is?**
- Is it any surprise that Amnesty International stated in 1996 **“ Throughout the world, on any given day, a man, woman or child, is likely to be displaced, tortured, killed or disappeared,**

**at the hands of governments or armed political groups. More often than not, the United States shares the blame.”**

- My dear Muslims you have been targeted in this new war because only you can provide an alternative way of life for mankind to the decadent benefit driven opportunist capitalist model.
- You have been targeted in this war because only you have solutions to solve the problems of humanity,
- You have been targeted in this war because of your wealth both material and intellectual,
- You have been targeted in this war because you carry the truth and because the west has been unable to intellectually destroy this truth, to challenge the thoughts of Islam to make you reject it and hence today they debate with their military might just like Quraish began to fight our Prophet Muhammad SAW due to their intellectual bankruptcy.
- My dear Muslim brothers you have been targeted in this war because only you can send American hegemony to the dustbin of history and only you can show her people and the people of the world true justice and mercy.
- This demonstration today is not an appeal to the western world, for nothing do we seek from those who have been and remain the cause in the backwardness and weakness that we find our ummah in.
- Rather today is a demonstration of defiance, a demonstration of solidarity, for we stand with our Muslim brothers who have gathered just as we have in cities across Europe and the world, to demonstrate to the West and their crooked allies, such as Islam Karimov the president of Uzbekistan, that the Muslim Ummah will not bow down to your pressures.
- That the Muslim ummah will not cower from your weapons that target the innocents.
- That the Muslim ummah will not subvert to you corrupt designs.
- Regardless of your bombs that do not discriminate between man, women or child, regardless of your intellectual attacks on the pure thoughts of Islam, regardless of your call for Muslims to reconsider Islam and accept your corrupt political culture, regardless of her persecution at the hands of rulers who care not for her interests, rather she is aware of your agenda and will not be swayed from her sure path of revival and unity through the re-establishment of the Khilafah Rashidah as ordered by Allah SWT.