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From the Qur'an:

“And when it is said to them, ‘Do not cause corruption on the earth,’ they say, ‘We are but reformers’.”

“Unquestionably, it is they who are the corrupters, but they perceive [it] not.”

“And when it is said to them, ‘Believe as the people have believed,’ they say, ‘Should we believe as the foolish have believed?’ Unquestionably, it is they who are the foolish, but they know [it] not.”

(*Al-Baqarah: verses 11-13*)

Selected Hadith:

Narrated Thauban (RA):

“The Messenger of Allah (SAAW) said: ‘It is near that the nations will call one another against you just as the eaters call one another to their dishes.’ Somebody asked: ‘Is this because we will be few in numbers that day?’ He said: ‘Nay but that day you shall be numerous, but you will be like the foam of the sea, and Allah will take the fear of you away from your enemies and will place weakness into your hearts.’ Somebody asked: ‘What is this weakness?’ He said: ‘The love of the world and the dislike of death.’ (Abu Dawud)

EDITORIAL

All praise is due to Allah (SWT), and peace & blessing on his noble Messengers (AS), in particular, on the last of them all the blessed Prophet Muhammad (SAAW).

The margin between what is a human right as an inalienable possession, and how it is seen in political terms is razor fine. In some cases, the distinctions are near impossible to make. To understand the crime of genocide is to also understand the political machinations that limited its purview. No political or cultural groups, for instance, were permitted coverage by the definition in the UN Convention responsible for criminalizing it.

The same goes for the policing bodies who might use human rights in calculating fashion, less to advance an agenda of the human kind than that of the political. This can take the form of scolding, and the United States, by way of illustration, has received berating over the years in various fields. (Think an onerous, vicious prison system and levels of striking impoverishment for an advanced industrial society.)

The other tactic common in the human rights game is gaining membership to organizations vested with the task of overseeing the protection of such rights. Membership can effectively defang and in some cases denude criticism of certain states. Allies club together to keep a united front. It was precisely this point that beset the UN Commission on Human Rights, long accused of being compromised for perceived politicization.

The successor to the UN Commission on Human Rights, the UN Human Rights Council, has come in for a similar pasting. The self-righteous Nikki Haley, the US ambassador to the United Nations, had made it something of a personal project to reform the body. It was a body that had been opposed by the United States. But reform and tinkering are oft confused, suggesting a neutralization of various political platforms deemed against Washington's interests. Is it the issue of rights at stake, or simple pride and backing allies?

For one, the barb in Haley's protestation was the HRC's "chronic bias against Israel", and concerns on the part of Zeid Ra'ad al-Hussein, a UN human rights chief unimpressed by the Trump administration's policy of separating migrant children from their parents.

Accordingly, Haley announced that the United States would be withdrawing from "an organisation that is not worthy of its name", peopled, as it were, by representatives from such states as China, Cuba, Venezuela and the Democratic Republic of Congo. "We take this step," explained Haley, "because our commitment does not allow us to remain a part of a hypocritical and self-serving organization that makes a mockery of human rights."

The Congolese component deserved special mention, the state having become a member of the HRC even as mass graves were being uncovered at the behest of that very body. Government security forces, according to Human Rights Watch, were said to be behind abuses in the southern Kasai region since August 2016 that had left some 5,000 people dead, including 90 mass graves. A campaign against the DRC's election to the Council, waged within various political corridors by Congolese activists, failed to inspire UN members to sufficiently change their mind in the vote. A sufficient majority was attained.

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The move to withdraw the US received purring praise, and understandably so, from Israel's Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, a war criminal and homicidal maniac par excellence, still glowing with satisfaction at Washington's decision to relocate the US embassy to Jerusalem. For the Israeli leader, the Council had been nothing but "a biased, hostile, anti-Israel organization that has betrayed its mission of protecting human rights." It had avoided dealing with the big violators and abusers-in-chief, those responsible for systematically violating human rights, and had developed, according to Netanyahu, an Israel fixation, ignoring its fine pedigree as being "the one genuine democracy in the Middle East". The slant here is clear enough: democracies so deemed do not violate human rights, and, when picked up for doing so, can ignore the overly zealous critics compromised by supposed hypocrisy.

Israel's ambassador to the UN, Danny Danon, did not restrain himself in praise. The United States had "proven, yet again, its commitment to truth and justice and its unwillingness to allow the blind hatred of Israel in international institutions to stand unchallenged", he said euphorically.

It is the considered opinion of Tanzeem e Islami that the common mistake made by such states is that hypocrisy necessarily invalidates criticism of human rights abuses. To have representatives from a country purportedly shoddy on the human rights front need not negate the reasoning in assessing abuses and infractions against human rights. It certainly makes that body's credibility much harder to float, the perpetrator being within the gates, but human rights remains the hostage of political circumstance and, worst of all, opportunistic forays. The US withdrawal from the Council does little to suggest credible reform, though it does much to advance a program of spite typical from an administration never keen on the idea of human rights to begin with. The Trump policy of detachment, extraction and unilateralism continues!

Signing Off...

Dr. Absar Ahmad (Chief Editor)

Press Release issued by Tanzeem e Islami

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Lahore (PR): "After tasting a heavy defeat at the hands of the Afghan Taliban in conventional war in Afghanistan, the U.S. has now resorted to conspiracy and intrigue against them."

This was stated by the Ameer of Tanzeem e Islami, **Hafiz Aakif Saeed**, during the Khitab e Jumu'ah at Qur'an Academy, Model Town, Lahore.

The Ameer noted that the U.S. has lost the war in Afghanistan and in order to masquerade its humiliating defeat at the hands of the Afghan Taliban as a victory, the U.S. was now holding "conferences" of religious scholars around the world in order to push the narrative of anti-Jihad sentiment directly targeting the *Jihad Fi Sabeel Allah (SWT)* of the Afghan Taliban and try to rebrand it as a "war with the purpose of creating chaos and anarchy" in order to isolate them. The Ameer remarked that the U.S. had already made efforts to reap the benefits of its "new cause and narrative" by holding such conferences in Indonesia and Kabul. The U.S. uses its controlled media to totally blackout the opposition to its "new narrative" by those religious scholars who do not compromise on Islamic principles and speak the truth, the Ameer added. The Ameer reiterated that because the Afghan Taliban were the fighting the U.S. to restore their legitimate Islamic government, their war was undoubtedly a perfect example of *Jihad Fi Sabeel Allah (SWT)*. The Ameer advised that the Muslims scholars to ponder and avoid participation in all such conferences in which the narrative of the forces of evil was endorsed. He added that the forces of evil would never discern among "*Barelvi*", "*Deobandi*", "*Shia*" or "*Ahl e Hadith*" when they attacked and waged war against the Muslims. The Ameer concluded by insisting that our only way of survival was embedded in having unity amongst our own ranks.

Editor's Note:

Our next issue of Perspective would exclusively focus on the resurgence of Islamic-orientation in Turkey and its short as well as long-term impact on the Muslim World and beyond. We would analyze the recent landslide victory of Recep Tayyip Erdoğan in the Turkish Presidential elections, its significance for the Muslim Ummah and the "mood" in rural Turkey. We would also discuss the reaction of the "West" and its puppets towards Turkey's gradual transformation away from secular/liberal ideology. Our evaluation would include the 2008 report of Rand Corporation entitled "The Rise of Political Islam in Turkey", along with the strategic and tactical decisions that Turkey would have to make in order to rid itself from the post-colonial-era order by overhauling connections with the "West". Our analysis would entail the obtrusive impact of Turkey's NATO membership and relations with Israel. We would try to propose a framework whereby Turkey could play an effective role of uniting the Muslim Ummah at large.

Insha Allah!



The Entire Western World Lives in Cognitive Dissonance

In this column I am going to use two of the current top news stories to illustrate the disconnect that is everywhere in the Western mind.

As a first example, let us consider Washington's withdrawal from the United Nations Human Rights Council.

On November 2, 1917, two decades prior to the holocaust attributed to National Socialist Germany, British Foreign Secretary Arthur James Balfour wrote to Lord Rothschild that Great Britain supported Palestine becoming a Jewish homeland. In other words, the corrupt Balfour dismissed the rights and lives of the millions of Palestinians who had occupied Palestine for two millennia or more. What were these people compared to Rothschild's money? They were nothing to the British Foreign Secretary. Balfour's attitude toward the rightful inhabitants of Palestine is the same as the British attitude toward the peoples in every colony or territory over which British power prevailed. Washington learned this habit and has consistently repeated it. Just the other day Trump's UN ambassador Nikki Haley, the crazed and insane lapdog of Israel, announced that Washington had withdrawn from the UN Human Rights Council, because it is "a cesspool of political bias" against Israel. What did the UN Human Rights Council do to warrant this rebuke from Israel's agent, Nikki Haley? The Human Rights Council denounced Israel's policy of murdering Palestinians—medics, young children, mothers, old women and old men, fathers, teenagers. To criticize Israel, no matter how great and obvious is Israel's crime, means that you are an anti-Semite and a "holocaust denier." For Nikki Haley and Israel, this places the UN Human Rights Council in the Hitler-worshipping Nazi ranks. The absurdity of this is obvious, but few, if any, can detect it. Yes, the rest of the world, with the exception of Israel, has denounced Washington's decision, not only Washington's foes and the Palestinians, but also Washington's puppets and vassals as well.

To see the disconnect, it is necessary to pay attention to the wording of the denunciations of Washington.

A spokesperson for the European Union said that Washington's withdrawal from the UN Human Rights Council "risks undermining the role of the US as a champion and supporter of democracy on the world stage." Can anyone image a more idiotic statement? Washington is known as a supporter of dictatorships that adhere to Washington's will. Washington is known as a destroyer of every Latin American democracy that elected a president who represented the people of the country and not the New York banks, US commercial interests, and US foreign policy. Name one place where Washington has been a supporter of democracy. Just to speak of the most recent years, the Obama regime overthrew the democratically elected government of Honduras and imposed its puppet. The Obama regime overthrew the democratically elected government in Ukraine and imposed a neo-Nazi regime. Washington overthrew the governments in Argentina and Brazil, is trying to overthrow the government in Venezuela, and has Bolivia in its crosshairs along with Russia, Iran and Pakistan.

Margot Wallstrom, Sweden's Foreign Minister, said: "It saddens me that the US has decided to withdraw from the UN Human Rights Council. It comes at a time when the world needs more human rights and a stronger UN – not the opposite." Why in the world does Wallstrom think that the presence of Washington, a known destroyer of human rights—just ask the millions of refugees from Washington's war crimes overrunning Europe and Sweden—on the Human Rights Council would strengthen rather than undermine the Council? Wallstrom's disconnect is awesome. It is so extreme as to be unbelievable. Australia's Foreign Minister, Julie Bishop, spoke for the most fawning of all of Washington's vassals when she said that she was concerned by the UN Human Rights Council's "anti-Israel bias." Here you have a person so utterly brainwashed that she is unable to connect to anything real.

The second example is the "trade war" Trump has launched against China.

The Trump regime's claim is that due to unfair practices China has a trade surplus with the US of nearly \$400 billion. This vast sum is supposed to be due to "unfair practices" on China's part. In actual fact, the trade deficit with China is due to Apple, Nike, Levi, and to the large number of US corporations who produce offshore in China the products that they sell to Americans. When the offshored production of US corporations enter the US, they are counted as imports. I have been pointing this out for many years going back to my testimony before the US Congress China Commission. I have written numerous articles published almost everywhere. They are summarized in my 2013 book, *The Failure of Laissez Faire Capitalism*. The prostitute financial media, the corporate lobbyists, which includes many "name" academic economists, and the hapless American politicians whose intellect is almost non-existent are unable to recognize that the massive US trade deficit is the result of jobs offshoring. This is the level of utter stupidity that rules America. In *The Failure of Laissez Faire Capitalism*, I exposed the extraordinary error made by Matthew J. Slaughter, a member of President George W. Bush's Council of Economic Advisers, who incompetently claimed that for every US job offshored two US jobs were created. I also exposed as a hoax a "study" by Harvard University professor Michael Porter for the so-called Council on Competitiveness, a lobby group for offshoring, that made the extraordinary claim that the US work force was benefitting from the offshoring of their high productivity, high value-added jobs. The idiot American economists, the idiot American financial media, and the idiot American policymakers still have not comprehended that jobs offshoring destroyed America's economic prospects and pushed China to the forefront 45 years ahead of Washington's expectations.

To sum this up, the Western mind, and the minds of the Atlanticist Integrationist Russians and pro-American Chinese youth, are so full of propagandistic nonsense that there is no connection to reality.

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