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The Khilafah (Caliphate) is the system of ruling governance in Islam; through it, the Deen is upheld and the Islamic system is fully implemented. It is a way of life that Muslims before us implemented in the best possible manner, making them the best Ummah brought forth for humanity. They conquered lands and were masters of the world for many centuries. We will not please our Lord, fulfill His promise, or realize the glad tidings of our Messenger ﷺ except by championing this great project and working to establish the second Khilafah Rashidah (rightly-guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood. We are confident that it will soon be established, by the permission of Allah. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿وَعَدَ اللَّهُ لَا يَخْلِفُ اللَّهُ وَعْدَهُ وَلَنْ يَكُنْ أَكْثَرُ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾ "It is the promise of Allah. Allah does not fail in His promise, but most of the people do not know." [TMQ Surah Ar-Rum: 6].

Military Alliances: Western Schemes and Interests

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The system of governance in Islam is one of unity, not a mere confederation; there is a single Khaleefah (Caliph), a single army, a single treasury, and a unified territory—nation-states and regional entities have no place in Islam. It is one single Ummah, unified in peace and war. Military alliances within the context of today's existing states serve only to entrench the fragmentation rampant across Muslim lands and perpetuate weakness; they provide a breeding ground for the West, which has drenched these lands in the blood of their own people and harnessed them to serve its own interests. Abu Bakr Al-Siddiq (ra) said, (وَأِنَّهُ لَا يَجِلُّ أَنْ يَكُونَ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ أَمِيرَانِ، فَإِنَّهُ مَهْمَا يَكُنْ ذَلِكَ يَخْتَلِفُ أَمْرُهُمْ وَأَحْكَامُهُمْ، وَتَتَفَرَّقُ جَمَاعَتُهُمْ، وَيَتَنَارَعُوا فِيمَا بَيْنَهُمْ، هُنَالِكَ تُتْرَكُ السُّنَّةُ، وَتُظْهَرُ الْبِدْعَةُ، وَتَعْظُمُ الْفِتْنَةُ، وَلَيْسَ لِأَحَدٍ عَلَى ذَلِكَ صُلَاحٌ) "It is not permissible for the Muslims to have two leaders; for if that were to happen, their affairs and rulings would diverge, their unity would shatter, and they would fall into internal conflict. Consequently, the Sunnah would be abandoned, innovation (bid'ah) would emerge, and strife (fitnah) would escalate—a situation that holds no good for anyone."

Military alliances lie at the heart of international relations. To understand them correctly, one must grasp the international landscape, identify the influential powers within it, and understand the true nature of these states: are they independent decision-makers, or are they subordinate entities acting under foreign dictation?

Military alliances are agreements between two or more states, committing them to confront a common enemy; examples of such alliances include the coalition of Christian nations during the Crusades against the Islamic State, the alliance of European nations against Germany during the World Wars, and the Warsaw Pact—led by the Soviet Union—confronting NATO, led by the United States.

So, what is the true nature of the trilateral military alliance formed between Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, and Türkiye? Who is the common enemy? And is its purpose to champion the causes of Muslims?

Türkiye is a member of the US-led NATO alliance; it cannot fight an alliance to which it belongs, nor can it threaten American interests. Its relations with the Jewish entity are long-standing and robust, remaining officially unaffected by the war of genocide in Gaza or the aggression against Syria and Lebanon. As for Saudi Arabia, it is the primary financier of America's war against Muslims; US military bases are located on its soil and serve as launchpads for American aggression against them. Regarding Pakistan, its subservience to the United States is as undeniable as the midday sun.

As for the causes of Muslims: Palestine has been under occupation for nearly eighty years, and Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa—the Muslims' first Qiblah (direction of Shariah prayer) and the Masraa (site of the Night Journey of the Prophet ﷺ)—has been held captive for sixty years. The crimes committed by Hindus in India and Kashmir, as well as China's actions against Muslims in East Turkestan, are plain for all to see. The war of extermination in Gaza continues, as does the rampaging of settlers in the West Bank. Lebanon faces the killing of its people, the destruction of its

cities, and the leveling of its villages. Syria endures continuous aggression and the occupation of its territory—not to mention the prior crimes of the Bashar Al-Assad regime, which murdered over a million Syrians and displaced half the population with American support and the participation of Russia, Iran, and their militias.

Despite all this, we have seen no alliance formed to champion the causes of Muslims in Palestine, Syria, Lebanon, Kashmir, Turkestan, or elsewhere. What, then, is the true nature of this alliance? The US President expressed his satisfaction with the establishment of this alliance, and Republican Congressman Joe Wilson stated that President Trump deserves credit for the joint defense agreement between Saudi Arabia, Türkiye, and Pakistan. Meanwhile, the Turkish opposition declared, “We will not turn the Turkish army into a shield for others' wars, nor will we allow Türkiye to become a military contractor or a party to regional conflicts.” Furthermore, US envoys are constantly present in the region, issuing orders and overseeing every minute detail—confirming that this alliance was formed at America's behest.

What, then, drove America to establish this alliance? America is grappling with profound strategic crises, both domestically and internationally:

- A severe political divide that led to the election of President Trump—who turned America into a global laughingstock—and a situation where his success barely averted a civil war following his supporters' storming of the Capitol.
- Massive debt exceeding \$40 trillion, posing significant economic risks to the status of the dollar and the US-controlled financial transfer system.

- The Epstein scandals, which eroded public trust in state institutions and politicians.
- The crimes committed by the Jewish entity in Gaza and the resulting shift in global public opinion, rendering both America and the Jewish entity global pariahs.
- The war on Iran and America's failure to secure a decisive victory, as military superiority, airstrikes, and interceptor missiles failed to achieve their objectives.
- Miscalculations regarding the war's duration, its impact on the global economy, and the stance of other nations toward it.
- The depletion of US weaponry and ammunition to critical levels.
- The draining of the defense budget due to the war's high costs, alongside the destruction of military bases—necessitating a re-evaluation of the US military presence and the deployment of American bases, which have become exposed and vulnerable. In a lengthy article in the American magazine, *Foreign Affairs*, Marc Lynch—a professor of political science and international affairs at George Washington University—predicts that observers will witness the fading of the “American Middle East,” just as European empires faded before it.

In short, America's failure—and its impact on the America's global standing, its international order and institutions, and the Atlantic alliance—has driven it toward a strategy of “leading from behind.” This involves delegating roles to its regional proxies to achieve specific objectives:

1. Maintaining regional stability under its sphere of influence.

2. Safeguarding its interests—foremost among them preserving the Jewish entity and cementing its status as a natural part of the region.
3. Pressuring Iran to bend it to American policy and render it a subservient state.
4. Containing China's rise and controlling supply chains and energy resources.
5. Subjugating all nations—including those in Europe—to America's will.
6. And the most critical objective of all—one that poses an existential threat to both the Jewish entity and the American presence in the Middle East—concerns Islam. There is a looming prospect of a sudden eruption from the region's peoples, akin to the surprise emergence of the Arab Spring. That movement was ignited by the actions of a single man in a forgotten corner; it set the region ablaze, toppled tyrants and despots, and nearly dismantled everything the West had constructed since the demolition of the Uthmani Khilafah (Ottoman Caliphate).

The Islamic Ummah is alive and will not die; it possesses the capacity for change, driven by its spiritual strength, its fighting ideology, its inherent potential, and the strategic locations and vast wealth with which Allah ﷻ has endowed it—assets unmatched by others.

The existence of the West and the Jewish entity hinges upon the presence of rulers who serve as their colonialist instruments. The Ummah is currently in the throes of a battle from which it will emerge victorious—by the Permission of Allah ﷻ—for the West has unleashed a war against Allah, against innate human nature,

and against humanity itself; a war that will only end with its own defeat.

﴿وَاللَّهُ غَالِبٌ عَلَى أَمْرِهِ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾

“And Allah has full power and control over His affairs, but most of mankind know not.” [TMQ Surah Yusuf: 21].

With the Growing Arrogance of the Jews, How Long Will We Content Ourselves With Merely Pleading With the International Community?!

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Reuters reported, citing sources, that the new Mossad director, Gofman, held a phone call with the Syrian Foreign Minister on August 14, 2026, regarding the Turkish military presence in Syria. Subsequently, the Jewish entity struck the Abu al-Duhur military airport in the eastern countryside of Idlib on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, carrying out eight airstrikes that targeted the airport's runways and hangars. It justified the action by citing a prior agreement to maintain the status quo regarding security matters, claiming Syria was on the verge of breaching this agreement by allowing Turkish forces to deploy at an airbase near Aleppo.

Meanwhile, US Envoy to Syria Tom Barrack stated that he the US is working diligently on a de-confliction mechanism involving the Jewish entity, Syria, and Türkiye. He noted that Türkiye “consequently observed the aircraft heading north toward its territory and therefore could have reasonably prepared its own response.” He stressed, “Thankfully, calm heads were able to prevent the situation from deteriorating further.” He added that these incidents will continue until October 27, 2026—the date of the Jewish entity’s elections—while Axios reported that the Trump administration had asked Syria to exercise restraint until after those elections.

As for the stance of the transitional administration in Damascus, Foreign Minister Al-Shaibani stated, “There was no intention to establish a Turkish base at Abu al-Duhur Airbase, nor to create a permanent Turkish military presence or deploy Turkish troops; this message was clearly conveyed to the Israeli side. Syria remains committed to diplomacy to dissuade Israel from continuing its aggression. We condemn the Israeli attack on the Abu al-Duhur military airport; it constitutes an unjustified provocation, a violation of Syria's sovereignty, and a threat to regional and global stability. We attempted to reach an agreement with Israel, but it reneged on its commitments; we remain interested in reaching a de-escalation agreement with ‘Israel.’”

Axios quoted Al-Shaibani as saying, “I clarified to ‘Israel’ that we were not cooperating with Türkiye on a military buildup at the base, yet they launched the attack.” The same outlet added that the Syrian government had been pushing for weeks to implement an agreement with the US and the Jewish entity to establish a joint coordination center in Jordan, aimed at managing such incidents and preventing escalation. However, the entity rejected the proposal and intensified its army's incursions into southern Syria.

Hebrew media described the strike on Abu al-Duhur Airbase as an “election campaign move by Netanyahu in Idlib,” while US Ambassador to the Jewish entity Mike Huckabee stated that the strikes were not intentional in themselves, but instead a “warning message” prompted by Turkish movements in the region. Asharq Al-Awsat reported, “Over the past two weeks, the ‘Israeli’ army has carried out 27 airstrikes and 36 ground incursions into Syria, and arrested 11 Syrian citizens. This has been accompanied by

threats from political and military officials directed at Türkiye—accused of establishing military bases on Syrian soil—allegations that both Ankara and Damascus officially deny.”

Since the fall of Bashar Al-Assad, the Jewish entity has been targeting Syrian military infrastructure across land, sea, and air. Its forces run rampant in the south and north—roaming, arresting, interrogating, and wreaking havoc with impunity. Netanyahu and his Defense Minister, Katz, even tour southern Syria—all amidst a strange, suspicious silence that leaves the prudent utterly bewildered!

What humiliation and disgrace lie in groveling before the enemies of Allah out of fear of their wrath, or in pursuit of a reconciliation and a “peace” that are merely illusory! Have these people not yet learned that the Jews are a people of malice, treachery, deceit, and covenant-breaking? Are they not the murderers of the Prophets (as)?

Have they not yet realized that the only language the Jews understand is the language of arms and the Takbir (“Allahu Akbar”) on the battlefields of honor, heroism, and valor? The path to salvation is known, as are its gateway and its key. Excuses citing the need for preparation, the priority of stability, reconstruction, and economic recovery are nothing but false pretexts; America and its Jewish protégé will spare no effort to prevent Syria from acquiring any significant sources of power—save for the kind of control that merely keeps the people from confronting the brutal enemy that desecrates our land day and night! Have they not yet grasped the true nature of America? It presents itself as a protector and ally to the current administration, yet in reality, it acts like a thief who incites other thieves to commit a crime, only to then step forward as the

savior. America—which holds its “protection” over the Damascus administration’s head, claiming that without it, all of Syria would have fallen into the clutches of the Jews, all to coerce the regime into further submission to its dictates. America—which opposes a strong army for Syria, fearing that the situation might slip out of control and the reins of power might be seized by the sincere leaders who emerged from years of revolution and Jihad.

America seeks to restructure the security and military forces to suit its own agenda, aiming to strip away the spirit of revolutionary and Jihad that has taken root over the past fourteen years. It does this by suppressing the sincere elements while empowering remnants of the old guard, the cronies of Al-Hajari—a lackey of the Jews—, and SDF elements—even placing them in positions of decision-making authority.

As for the strike on Abu al-Duhur Airport: despite the betrayal by the rulers of Muslims and their submission to their masters’ dictates, the Jews are terrified by the prospect of any rapprochement between Islamic lands. They fear the Muslims’ formidable might and their yearning for complete liberation from the yoke of humiliation, disgrace, and subservience to the colonialist disbeliever, as well as their burning desire to liberate the First Qibla. For the Jews, the issue of Ash-Sham is more dangerous than any other issue; they view it as the inevitable source of an existential threat. This was clearly articulated by the Jewish entity’s Minister of Diaspora Affairs, Amichai Chikli, who issued unprecedented warnings. He asserted that a military confrontation between his entity and Syria is inevitable—bound to happen sooner or later—and deemed the recent rapprochement between Damascus and Ankara a threat even more dangerous than the Iranian nuclear issue. The Jews are

consumed by a terror that gnaws at their hearts and preys upon their minds; they perceive every shout as a threat directed at them. Consequently, they engage in displays of inflated power as a preemptive measure, seeking to delude themselves into believing in a military superiority they view as their lifeline—especially now that the bond with Allah ﷻ has been severed and the support of mankind is eroding, all amidst a palpable shift in global sentiment, even within Europe and America, against this Jewish entity.

Consider the depravity, malice, and criminality of the monstrous Jewish entity against the Islamic Ummah in Gaza and elsewhere—indeed, neither human, tree, nor stone has been spared its harm.

Yes, the rampaging of the Jews in southern Syria and beyond plays into the atmosphere of terror and dread gripping the hearts of those who cling most desperately to life—and this despite the limited military equipment and supplies and Muslims. Imagine, then, the impact of massive, organized armies led by the Khaleefah (Caliph) of the Muslims! By the Permission of Allah, a great good is surely coming; blessed are those who strive, support, and aid the cause, working for the exaltation of the Deen of Allah ﷻ and the establishment of Islamic ruling governance and the Islamic State.

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Meetings Between Syria's New Rulers and Jewish Leaders: A Major Crime

The Axios website revealed that a high-level meeting was held on Sunday (23/08) in Jordan, bringing together Syrian Foreign Minister Asaad al-Shaibani and Roman Gofman, Director of the Mossad intelligence agency of the Jewish entity, to discuss ways of containing tensions following the Jewish entity's recent airstrikes.

The Jewish entity had carried out several airstrikes targeting the runways and aircraft shelters at the Abu al-Duhur Military Airbase in the Idlib countryside, claiming that the purpose was to prevent a Turkish military buildup. Damascus and Ankara denied this, confirming that there were no permanent Turkish military personnel or bases at the site.

Al-Shaibani had stated to Reuters and Axios that Damascus was looking to resume talks to reduce tensions and reach a security agreement, conditional upon the cessation of attacks and withdrawal from the territories recently occupied. Meanwhile, the security establishment of the Jewish entity insists on imposing buffer zones, disarmament, and a ban on any Turkish military presence.

At this critical moment, while the Jews violate our lands by land and air and commit massacres after massacres against our people in Gaza, we are confronted with a major crime and a resounding political downfall, namely, meetings bringing together the Syrian Foreign Minister and the head of the Mossad under the pretext of "containing escalation" and "security arrangements"! This is a step that represents a dangerous descent into the depths of

collaboration and portends further surrender of sovereignty, dignity, land, and sacred places.

Accordingly, a press release issued by the Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Syria emphasized the following facts:

First: Holding normalization meetings with an enemy that occupies our land and exercises its arrogance against us is a major crime that cannot be accepted or justified under any pretext whatsoever. Moreover, rushing towards negotiations following airstrikes is nothing but rewarding the criminal for his crimes.

Second: Proceeding along the path of successive concessions with the Jews known for breaking their agreements is a dangerous path with a long-standing enemy. Our situation will be no better than that of the Oslo Authority. Negotiations with this entity will neither liberate land, bring us security, nor preserve our dignity. Rather, they are a path through which dependence on the enemy is imposed and our independent will is stripped away, especially since the conditions being dictated today amount to nothing more than an unacceptable security guardianship aimed at keeping us subject to blackmail and deprived of the means of strength.

Third: What was considered a crime and betrayal yesterday does not become political wisdom today, and it must not, under any circumstances or justification, be legitimized.

The release added: Fundamental principles do not change with changing circumstances or justifications. Whoever believes that seeking the approval of America and its protégé, the Jewish entity, and submitting to their dictates will bring security or stability is deluded and chasing a mirage. The events of today are nothing but the bitter fruits of these reckless policies.

The press release emphasized: Our duty today, all of us, is to declare our complete rejection of this grave wrongdoing and major crime, and to affirm that any security or political agreements with the Jews are invalid agreements that do not represent us and that we will not accept.

We are certain that the latter part of this Ummah will not be reformed except by that which reformed its earlier part: rule by Islam under the Second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood, restoring sovereignty to the Islamic Shariah and authority to the Ummah, and bringing an end to the era of criminals and those who submit in humiliation.

An Opportunity for the Sincere in the Ummah's Armies to Grant Nussrah (Military Support) to Hizb ut Tahrir

While the actions of the Jewish entity confirm the scenario Allah ﷻ depicted in His Noble Book—where He stated, **﴿وَقَضَيْنَا إِلَىٰ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ فِي الْكِتَابِ لَتُفْسِدُنَّ فِي الْأَرْضِ مَرَّتَيْنِ وَلَتَعْلُنَّ عُلُوًّا كَبِيرًا﴾** “And We conveyed to the Children of Israel in the Scripture that, ‘You will surely cause corruption on the earth twice, and you will surely reach a degree of great haughtiness’” [TMQ Surah Al-Israa: 4]—this corruption and haughtiness rely on a bond with people, not with Allah nor from within themselves.

This confirms the Words of Allah ﷻ Who said, **﴿صُرِّبَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ الذَّلَّةُ أَيْنَ مَا تُقِفُوا إِلَّا بِحَبْلٍ مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَحَبْلٍ مِّنَ النَّاسِ وَبَآؤُوا بِغَضَبٍ مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَصُرِّبَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ الْمَسْكَنَةُ ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ كَانُوا يَكْفُرُونَ بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ وَيَقْتُلُونَ الْأَنْبِيَاءَ بِغَيْرِ حَقٍّ ذَلِكَ بِمَا عَصَوْا وَكَانُوا يَعْتَدُونَ﴾** “Humiliation is put over them wherever they are found, except when under a rope from Allah and a rope from the people; and they have incurred the wrath of Allah and have been put under destitution. That is because they used to disbelieve in the signs of Allah and kill the prophets without right. That is because they disobeyed and used to transgress.” [TMQ Surah Aali Imran: 112].

Having long since lost the rope of Allah ﷻ, the rope of people is now also on the verge of severing, as Western populations turn away from them and global public opinion mounts against them—pressuring criminal Western rulers, foremost among them the rulers of America, to cease their support. This is an opportunity for every sincere individual within the armies of Muslims to join hands with Hizb ut Tahrir and grant it the nussrah

(military support) necessary to establish the second Khilafah Rashidah (rightly-guided Caliphate). This state will put an end to the rule of the Ruwaybidat, the insignificant rulers,—who serve as a safety valve for the Jewish entity and the West—and this state will lead the armies to liberate Palestine and all occupied Muslim lands. It will guide us toward the arenas of victory, liberation, and independence, thereby fulfilling the words of Allah ﷻ Who said, **هُوَ الَّذِي أَرْسَلَ رَسُولَهُ بِالْهُدَىٰ وَدِينِ الْحَقِّ لِيُظْهِرَهُ عَلَى الدِّينِ كُلِّهِ وَكَفَىٰ بِاللَّهِ شَهِيدًا** “It is He who sent His Messenger with guidance and the Deen of truth to manifest it over all other ways of life. And sufficient is Allah as Witness.” [TMQ Surah Al-Fath: 28].

Is a New World Order Beginning to Take Shape?

By: Asaad Mansour

Throughout history, a natural feature of international relations has been the competition for the status of the leading global power; whoever occupies this seat inevitably faces challenges from others coveting it.

This dynamic persisted until 1991, when the Soviet Union—America’s primary rival—collapsed. America, having assumed the status of the leading power after World War II, was left to dominate the international stage unchallenged. Russia, the Soviet Union’s successor under Yeltsin’s leadership, did not seek to compete with America; instead, it aimed to become a partner while remaining a major power that preserved former Soviet spheres of influence. This policy continued under Putin, who took office in 1999. He maintained this approach while also engaging with Europe—specifically when France and Germany drew closer to him, forming a bloc that opposed the US invasion of Iraq in 2003, albeit with Britain’s covert encouragement.

Europe had been unable to compete with America following the Soviet Union’s collapse, despite its efforts to do so: it established the European Union in 1991, attempted to play an active role in the Balkan and Middle East crises, and launched the Euro in 2001 to challenge the US dollar.

However, Putin—observing America’s failure to honor understandings regarding NATO expansion into Russia’s spheres

of influence—seized the opportunity presented by America’s instability in 2008. This instability stemmed from the global financial crisis and America’s inability to secure victory in Iraq and Afghanistan, leading to its readiness to withdraw from those conflicts. Consequently, Putin occupied Abkhazia and South Ossetia, wresting them from Georgia—a country where America had previously succeeded in extending its influence and displacing Russia’s. He later occupied Crimea in 2014, following America’s role in ousting Russia’s allies in Ukraine. Nevertheless, Russia did not challenge America for supremacy but continued its policy of partnership. It intervened in Syria in 2015 based on understandings with America—which sought to strike the Syrian revolution and protect the agent of America, Bashar Al-Assad, until a replacement could be found.

Simultaneously, Russia continued to work with Europe, reaching understandings regarding Eastern Europe and effectively accepting the status quo in Crimea through the 2015 Minsk Agreement. Both parties sought to leverage one another to strengthen their international standing vis-à-vis America’s unrivaled position.

In their respective ways, both Russia and Europe attempted to bolster their international status by reaching understandings with China—a state America had failed to contain or bring into its orbit as it had Japan. Consequently, three independent powers emerged, each working to strengthen its international status through cooperation with the others.

Observing this, America sought to shatter the cooperation between these powers and drive them apart so it could deal with each individually. It ignited the war in Ukraine by provoking Russia into occupying the country’s east in 2022. This succeeded

in driving a wedge between Russia and Europe, obstructing a potential alliance between Russia and China, and embroiling China in conflicts with regional neighbors—conflicts marked by US-brokered security agreements, expanded military bases, economic warfare, and direct threats, involving Japan, should China attempt to annex Taiwan.

Thus, America maintained its singular dominance on the global stage. To further reinforce this, it asserted hegemony over Panama and Venezuela to curb Russian and Chinese activity there. It also launched campaigns pressuring Canada—even demanding its annexation—and pressured Europe regarding the acquisition of Greenland. On February 28, 2026, the US launched a war against Iran—a country that had previously operated within its orbit—aiming to turn it into a vassal state. This move was intended to demonstrate defiance toward Russia, which dared not stand by Iran, and China, which lacked the boldness to challenge the US, even as Iran had strengthened ties with both states and joined their economic bloc, BRICS.

Had the US succeeded in its objective regarding Iran, it would have significantly bolstered its position, cemented its singular dominance on the international stage, and likely proceeded to aggress against Russia and China, as well as move to assert hegemony over Greenland and Canada. However, Iran's resilience thwarted these efforts; indeed, it destabilized the US's international standing and emboldened Russia, China, and Europe to oppose it.

Consequently, Russian Foreign Minister Lavrov announced—during a meeting with his North Korean counterpart, Choe Son-hui, on August 18, 2026—that the two states were working to establish a “new and just world order.” Pyongyang had previously

assisted Moscow in expelling Ukrainian forces from Russian territory the year prior, in accordance with their strategic alliance. Russia seeks to strengthen this partnership to project an image of itself as a global power with allies, and it desires further North Korean support. To this end, Ukrainian intelligence revealed to CNN on August 22, 2026, that North Korea was deploying fresh reinforcements to Russia—approximately 8,500 troops, including a specialized drone unit capable of striking targets deep within Ukrainian territory.

Thus, Russia relies on the support of North Korea—a state lacking the stature to play a global role—simply because it has found no other ally. Russia is struggling in Ukraine and has failed to achieve victory; its president, Putin, acknowledged this before the Russian parliament, the Duma, on July 27, 2026, stating, “Russia is undergoing a pivotal and decisive phase... and when the contours of a new world order are being shaped in a struggle and intense competition.” Had it been confident enough to establish a new global order, Russia would have declared direct support for Iran and confronted the United States in Panama and Venezuela.

Meanwhile, France—along with the rest of Europe—has so far failed to establish itself as a global pole of power. President Macron stated on June 13, 2026, ““We observe that the international order is fragmented, marked by the return of power politics, by the challenge to common rules, by economic coercion, by interference, by information warfare.”

Germany also weighed in on the matter; on February 13, 2026, at the Munich Security Conference, Chancellor Merz remarked, “This global order no longer exists as we knew it... America's leadership role is facing challenges and perhaps even decline.” He spoke of a “return of great-power conflict,” Russia's “violent

revisionist tendencies,” and China’s “drive to lead the shaping of the global order.” He also discussed “Germany and France moving to establish a European nuclear deterrent and bolstering Europe’s military, political, economic, and technological power,” noting that “Europe has just returned from a long hiatus from history.” He added, “The responsibility falls upon us to leverage our strength and wisdom within this new global order.”

Thus, Germany perceives that a new order is beginning to take shape, with Europe, Russia, and China each acting in its own way to establish rules. Such is the global order. Yet, these powers have not taken bold steps to challenge America—which clings to its unipolar dominance on the international stage, stands in their way, and seeks to subjugate them.

It appears the status quo will persist for the time being; however, a force is stirring to shape the new global order: the Islamic Ummah. This is despite the intense conspiracies aimed at preventing the restoration of its state—a state that once held the status of the leading power for nine centuries without rival, and for another four centuries alongside competitors. Nevertheless, its sincere adherents are earnestly striving to re-establish it as a Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of the Prophethood.

A New War Against Russian Military Logistics and Economy, or a Policy to Sever Central Asia from Russian Influence?

By: Islam Abu Khalil – Uzbekistan

In July and August 2026, Ukrainian drones repeatedly targeted logistics warehouses belonging to the company Wildberries in Russia, inflicting severe damage on its massive logistics capabilities. Ukraine views these facilities as part of a network used to transport drone components and other dual-use products to the Russian military. The attacks have affected more than 400,000 sellers. According to "Data Insights" assessments, seller losses could reach 445–507.8 billion rubles, and infrastructure reconstruction costs could range from 147 to 223 billion rubles, while total losses might fall between 600 and 800 billion rubles (\$7–10 billion). These figures represent expert assessments rather than final official estimates.

Ukraine portrays Wildberries as an entity linked to the Russian military supply chain, whereas Russia regards it primarily as a civilian e-commerce company. Consequently, these strikes not only pressure military supplies but also strain hundreds of thousands of small businesses, logistics operations, and the Russian domestic market. The attacks are interpreted as a strategy to increase the cost of the war for Russia and weaken its economic infrastructure.

However, the more critical issue concerns Central Asia; Ukrainian strikes, rising logistical risks within Russia, Wildberries' search for

alternative capacities, and the growing need for warehouses in Kazakhstan are reshaping regional trade and logistics chains.

Wildberries is reportedly seeking warehouse space in Kazakhstan starting at 100,000 square meters and is constructing massive logistics centers in Almaty and Astana. This implies that while the war is taking place in Russia, its economic and logistical repercussions could spill over into Central Asia as well.

This presents both a risk and an opportunity for Central Asia: will this process weaken Russia's economic influence in the region, or reinforce it through new infrastructure? Since Wildberries is a Russian company, its expansion into Kazakhstan and other Central Asian states might not eliminate Russian influence but instead alter its form.

On the other hand, the destabilization of trade chains linked to Russia is drawing Central Asia closer to routes involving the Caspian Sea, the South Caucasus, Türkiye, and Europe. This aligns objectively with the Western strategy of weaning the region off its dependence on Russia.

In this sense, the strikes heighten risks to Russia's domestic logistics and may accelerate the reconfiguration of trade chains between Russia and Central Asia. This creates favorable conditions for the Western strategy aimed at diminishing Russia's economic influence in the region.

How will Russia respond? Russia is not watching this process passively. Putin has ordered the reconstruction of damaged warehouses and logistics infrastructure with state involvement, aiming to upgrade them to a new technological level. Russia's likely response involves shifting from massive, centralized warehouses to a network of distributed and protected regional

logistics hubs. Furthermore, Wildberries' expansion into Kazakhstan enables Moscow to maintain its logistical foothold in Central Asia. Yet, this process raises another question: to what extent can Central Asian nations shield their exporters from the risks associated with foreign markets?

In this context, Uzbekistan has neither announced public measures to compensate Uzbek merchants affected by attacks in Russia nor lodged any formal demands with Moscow; Russia, too, has remained silent on the matter. Absent mechanisms to distribute the risks of foreign markets, exporters are compelled to seek alternative markets and logistical routes.

This poses a pressing question for Uzbekistan: to what degree can local and foreign businesspeople trust the state to safeguard their goods, capital, and investments? From this perspective, Uzbekistan's intention to join the Singapore Convention—announced by the Ministry of Justice on August 10, 2026—is noteworthy. The Convention does not guarantee investments or profits; instead, it strengthens mechanisms for the recognition and enforcement of international commercial dispute settlements reached through mediation. This could serve as a form of additional "insurance," mitigating legal risks in commercial disputes for foreign investors. However, the question remains: while safeguards for foreign capital are being bolstered, are similar protections being strengthened to shield local businesspeople from external economic risks? While the immediate objective of the attack on Wildberries may be to strike at Russian logistics and the Russian economy, the indirect consequence could alter trade chains linked to Russia in Central Asia, drawing the region closer to alternative transport and trade routes.

Although it is not yet publicly acknowledged as a covert operation aimed at severing Central Asia from Russian influence, the operation objectively aligns with U.S. interests in diminishing Russia's economic sway in the region and bolstering alternative corridors.

The Russia-Ukraine war is no longer confined to the territories of the two states; its economic impact has extended to the business communities, logistics networks, and transport corridors of Central Asia. Consequently, the primary geopolitical struggle is not over warehouses, but over the economic hub to which Central Asia's goods, capital, and trade flows will be linked.

In conclusion: Amidst the geopolitical conflict between the forces of disbelief, thousands of Muslims in Central Asia are suffering economic and personal hardship. Had their rulers adopted an independent policy and relied upon the Shariah rulings of Allah ﷻ—rather than leaning on Russia or the West—they would have been worthy of the *nasr* (support) of Allah ﷻ.

The consequences of relying on the forces of disbelief extend beyond mere political and economic subservience in this worldly life. In the Hereafter, individuals—and rulers in particular—will be held accountable for their choices and actions. Yet, there is still time; if they repent to their Lord, adhere to His law, and prioritize the interests of Muslims over those of foreign powers they will attain honor and strength, by the permission of Allah ﷻ! Allah ﷻ said, ﴿وَلِلَّهِ الْعِزَّةُ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَلَكِنَّ الْمُنَافِقِينَ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾ **“But honor belongs to Allah, and to His Messenger, and to the believers, but the hypocrites do not know.”** [TMQ Surah Al-Munafiqoon: 8].

Not Diplomatic Theatrics — Only the Khilafah Will Liberate Occupied Kashmir

Ustadh Muhammad Abdullah, Occupied Kashmir

The recent statements by the US Ambassador to India, Sergio Gor, describing Occupied Jammu and Kashmir as “an important part of India,” and the subsequent theatrical protest by the Pakistani Foreign Ministry summoning the American Charge d’Affaires in Islamabad, reveal once again the depth of deception that characterizes the political objectives of the kuffar (disbelieving) colonial powers and their agent regimes in the Muslim world.

The Hindustan Times Newspaper reported on August 19 that Ambassador Gor, during his first visit to Srinagar – the first standalone visit by a serving US Ambassador since 2019 when India formally annexed the territory by revoking its special status – declared Jammu and Kashmir to be “an important part of India.” This was no mere diplomatic courtesy but a calculated declaration of allegiance to the Hindu State for the Occupation of Kashmir.

The Pakistani regime’s response, as reported by Al Jazeera on August 20, was to summon the American diplomat and lodge what Islamabad described as a “strong demarche,” rejecting the characterisation of Indian-occupied Kashmir as “a part of India.” What does this theatrical exchange truly demonstrate? It demonstrates that the dispute over Kashmir has always been defined by the kuffar colonial powers and their shifting strategic calculations. Ambassador Gor’s statement is therefore not a mistake. It is not the “diplomatic misstep” but a deliberate signal for Hindu nationalist to continue its occupation of Kashmir.

The Pakistani regime's response – summoning the American diplomat, lodging a “strong demarche,” and reasserting Kashmir's status as disputed territory – is nothing more than political theatre. It is the performance of a puppet that has been ordered to appear indignant while remaining utterly obedient.

Pakistan's ruling factions – whether military or civilian, whether nominally “Islamic” or openly secular – have always been agents of the colonialist powers. The Pakistani state has never genuinely sought the liberation of Kashmir. It has used the Kashmir issue as a tool of legitimacy, mobilising public sentiment when it needed to distract from its own failures, while privately accepting the status quo. The Pakistani military has fought wars over Kashmir not to liberate the Muslims of Kashmir but to maintain its own power and privileges and nation state interests.

The fundamental issue that both the American colonialists and their Pakistani agents refuse to address is that Kashmir is Muslim land. The American position on Kashmir, whether it recognises the territory as “an important part of India” or as a “disputed territory,² is irrelevant to the rights of the Muslims of Kashmir. The only position that matters is the position of Islam. The only authority that has the right to govern all Muslim lands including Kashmir is the authority of the Khilafah – the Islamic state that will unify all Muslim lands under the Shariah ruling governance.

The Pakistani regime's demand that Washington “keep its public language consistent” with the stance that Kashmir is disputed is a demand for the colonialist master to maintain the fiction that the dispute is open-ended, so that the Pakistani regime can continue to use the issue as a tool of legitimacy in front of the Muslims, while doing nothing to actually liberate the Kashmiri Muslims.

The Pakistani regime, for all its theatrical outrage, understands this perfectly. It will not renounce the colonialist nation-state order. It will continue to serve American interests while complaining about American language. The Muslims in Kashmir will continue to suffer under Indian occupation while the Pakistani regime issues statements.

The Hindu state persecutes Muslims in Kashmir and elsewhere with American connivance. The Pakistani regime protests while maintaining its alliance with the same American power it claims to challenge. The Kashmiri Muslims are caught between two colonial systems – neither of which represents them, neither of which defends them, and neither of which has any legitimacy in Islam.

The solution for Kashmir is not the choice between India and Pakistan. The choice is not between American recognition of Kashmir as “part of India” and American recognition of Kashmir as “disputed territory.” The choice is between the colonial order and the Islamic order. The choice is between the rule of the kuffar and the rule of Allah ﷻ.

The call to the people of military power and protection in Pakistan, the sincere military officers, is a call to the Shariah obligation of granting nussrah (military support) for the re-establishment of the Khilafah. Let them be the Ansar of this Ummah and not be resurrected as the people of disgrace who watched while the Ummah was being subjugated and slaughtered.

Allah ﷻ says, ﴿وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ بَعْضٍ ۚ إِلَّا تَفْعَلُوهُ تَكُنْ فِتْنَةٌ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَفَسَادٌ كَبِيرٌ﴾ **“And those who disbelieve are allies of one another. If you do not do so, there will be fitnah on earth and great corruption”** [TMQ Surah Al-Anfal: 73].

Warnings Regarding the Jewish Entity's Plot to Seize 70% of Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa

According to Al-Waie Magazine Issue 482 (adapted): Dr. Hassan Khater, head of the International Al-Quds Center, stated that since the occupation of Al-Quds in 1967, occupation authorities have ceaselessly attempted to impose direct control over Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa. He noted that the current situation marks a shift into a “more dangerous phase,” aimed at stripping the Masjid of its Islamic identity and transforming it into a security zone subject to occupation measures.

Khater explained that a key current scheme targets the eastern area of Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa—including the Gate of Mercy (Bab al-Rahma) Salah hall and its surrounding courtyards—by gradually converting it into a closed zone under the security management of occupation authorities and isolating it from the rest of the masjid complex.

Regarding plans for partition, Khater pointed to a proposal submitted in 2023 by Likud Knesset member Amit Halevi, which calls for imposing “Israeli” control over vast sections of Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa.

Khater emphasized that implementing this plan would mean the occupation seizing control of approximately 70% of the total area (144 dunams) of the masjid, effectively shifting the division from a temporal arrangement to a permanent spatial partition—mirroring the scenario at the Al-Khalil Masjid in Al-Khalil (Hebron).

Observers believe that current plans are not merely temporary security measures; rather, they represent a systematic “Israeli”

strategy to alter the identity of Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa and impose a new reality on the ground by dismantling its geographical and administrative unity.

Should the Ummah Not Hasten to Reclaim its Right to Pledge a Bay'ah of Allegiance to Its Khaleefah (Caliph)?

The Shariah obligation upon the Islamic Ummah today is to work towards reclaiming its usurped authority, rather than awaiting good from the colonialist disbeliever or success from his agents. Islam has vested authority in the Ummah; the appointment of the ruler—the Khaleeefah (Caliph) of the Muslims—entails him assuming power through the Bay'ah (pledge of allegiance) lawfully granted by the people. The Prophet ﷺ received authority from the Ummah; he did not seize it through conquest or coercion.

It was narrated by Ubadah bin As-Samit that, **«بَايَعْنَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ عَلَى السَّمْعِ وَالطَّاعَةِ فِي الْمُنْشَطِ وَالْمَكْرَهِ»** **“We pledged allegiance to the Messenger of Allah ﷺ to listen and obey, whether in times of ease or hardship.”**

It was narrated by Abdullah bin Amr bin Al-Aas (ra), who heard the Messenger of Allah ﷺ say, **«وَمَنْ بَايَعَ إِمَامًا فَأَعْطَاهُ صَفْقَةً بِيَدِهِ وَثَمَرَةً»** **“Whoever pledges allegiance to an Imam, giving him the clasp of his hand and the fruit of his heart, let him obey him if he is able; but if another comes to challenge him, strike the neck of the other.”**

Abdullah ibn Umar (ra) reported: I heard the Messenger of Allah ﷺ say, **«مَنْ خَلَعَ يَدًا مِنْ طَاعَةِ لِقَائِي اللَّهَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ لَا حُجَّةَ لَهُ، وَمَنْ مَاتَ وَلَيْسَ فِي عُنُقِهِ بَيْعَةٌ مَاتَ مِيتَةً جَاهِلِيَّةً»** **“Whoever withdraws his hand from obedience [to the ruler] will meet Allah on the Day of Resurrection with no argument [in his defense], and whoever**

dies without having a pledge of allegiance (bay'ah) upon his neck dies the death of the Jahiliyyah (pre-Islamic ignorance)."

Abu Hurairah also reported from the Prophet ﷺ who said, «كَانَتْ بَنُو إِسْرَائِيلَ تَسُوسُهُمُ الْأَنْبِيَاءُ، كُلَّمَا هَلَكَ نَبِيٌّ خَلَفَهُ نَبِيٌّ، وَإِنَّهُ لَا نَبِيَّ بَعْدِي، وَسَيَكُونُ خُلَفَاءُ فَيَكْتُمُونَ. قَالُوا: فَمَا تَأْمُرُنَا؟ قَالَ: فُؤَا بَيْعَةِ الْأَوَّلِ فَأَلَّوْلَ، أَعْطَوْهُمْ حَقَّهُمْ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ سَائِلُهُمْ عَمَّا اسْتَرْعَاهُمْ” Banu Israeel were governed by Prophets (as); whenever a Prophet passed away, another succeeded him. Yet, there is no prophet after me; instead, there will be Khulafaa' (Caliphs) who will be numerous.” They asked, “What do you command us to do?” He replied, “Fulfill the pledge of allegiance to the first, then the next; give them their due right, for Allah will question them regarding what He entrusted to their care.”

These and other hadiths evidence that the Khaleefah (Caliph)—the ruler in Islam—assumes authority through the people's pledge of allegiance (bay'ah) to him. This pledge is based on acting in accordance with the Book of Allah and the Sunnah of His Messenger ﷺ; thus, he is an implementer of the Shariah Law of Allah ﷻ and a guardian of the Ummah, not a hired hand or an agent for anyone.

“Death Boats” Claim the Lives of Tunisian Youth

A press release by the Media Office of Hizb ut-Tahrir/Wilayah Tunisia stated, “While tens of thousands of our children drop out of school every year and are thrown onto the streets, where unemployment, drugs, crime, and “death boats” await them, they find themselves caught between the struggle to obtain their most basic daily necessities—such as safe drinking water and electricity, and migration, braving the waves of the sea and the uncertainties of life in search of the crumbs of the West that plunders the resources of their countries and drains their wealth. Thirteen young men from the city of Ben Guerdane drowned after secretly setting sail toward Europe, adding their lives to the long list of victims of the “death boats.” This is a painful tragedy, neither the first nor the last, as long as the youth of the Ummah are deprived of the wealth of their countries and the doors to work and a dignified life are closed in their faces.”

Addressing the people of Tunisia, the release continued, “Allah Almighty said, ﴿إِنَّهُ لَا يَيْئَسُ مِنْ رَوْحِ اللَّهِ إِلَّا الْقَوْمُ الْكَافِرُونَ﴾ **“Indeed, no one despairs of Allah’s mercy except the disbelieving people.”** [Surah Yusuf: 87]. Despite this miserable reality caused by the man-made system and rulers who bring harm, our liberation from its grip and our return to the position of leadership and prominence that Allah ﷻ has chosen for us are closer than the blink of an eye, provided that we uproot the man-made systems from their foundations, hold firmly to the strong rope of Allah, and adhere to the Shariah of the Lord of the worlds, as confirmed by His ﷻ saying, ﴿وَأَنْ لَّوِ اسْتَقَامُوا عَلَى الطَّرِيقَةِ لَأَسْقَيْنَهُمْ مَاءً غَدَقًا﴾ **“Had**

they remained steadfast on the right path, We would have showered them with abundant rain.” [Surah Al-Jinn: 16].”

It further emphasized that, “Ruling by what Allah has revealed under the Khilafah (Caliphate) is the safe haven that protects the Muslim youth, cares for their affairs, and preserves their wealth. Instead of contemplating migration, migrants should direct their anger toward the systems governing their own countries, uproot them from their foundations, and replace them with a system that preserves their dignity in their own lands and guarantees them a dignified livelihood through the abundant resources and buried treasures with which Allah has blessed their lands.”

Abu al-Duhur: Will the Open Confrontation Lead to Normalization?

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The bombing of the Abu al-Duhur military airport in the Idlib countryside on August 18 was not merely another raid by the Jewish entity on Syria's territory. The Jewish entity targeted the site with eight strikes at a time when Türkiye's role in rebuilding the Syrian military establishment was expanding—and given that the airport lies just 60 to 80 kilometers from the Turkish border. The Jewish entity explicitly linked the strike to a potential Turkish military presence; Netanyahu stated that Damascus was nearing a decision to allow Turkish forces to deploy at the base—a move the Jewish entity viewed as a security threat—though both Ankara and Damascus denied the existence of any such deployment. (Al Jazeera Net, August 19, 2026)

On the surface, the bombing appeared to be part of an escalating struggle for influence within Syria; indeed, many media analyses portrayed it as a sign of an impending confrontation between the Jewish entity and Türkiye. With growing military cooperation between Ankara and Damascus, and the prospect of Türkiye contributing to the development of Syria's military capabilities, Syria's territory had become a testing ground for the limits of influence between the two parties.

However, the most significant development was not military, but political. Reports revealed that Mossad Director, Roman Gofman, had contacted Syrian Foreign Minister Asaad Al-Shaibani on August 14—days before the Abu al-Duhur bombing—with the Turkish military presence in Syria serving as one of the topics of

discussion. Then, just a few days after the bombing, Al-Shaibani himself met with the Mossad director in a high-level meeting in Jordan dedicated to discussing de-escalation. (Al-Arabiya, August 23, 2026).

Here lies a paradox worth noting: if the bombing of Abu al-Duhur was intended—according to the narrative of the Jewish entity—to prevent the expansion of Turkish influence in Syria, one of its most significant political consequences was pushing Damascus toward a direct channel of communication with Tel Aviv, culminating in a meeting between its foreign minister and the head of the Mossad. Consequently, the question is not merely about the nature of the military objective, but about the political trajectory that opened up in its wake: was the de-escalation merely a security measure to contain a fleeting incident, or was it a step in a broader process to gradually integrate Syria into a network of understandings with the Jewish entity?

This question gains further significance when considering the nature of the relationship between Türkiye and the Jewish entity itself. Türkiye is a member of the Crusader NATO alliance, yet it simultaneously maintains official relations with the Jewish entity—relations it did not sever even during the Jewish entity's war on Gaza, despite the sharp escalation in its political rhetoric against it. This highlights a fundamental principle in analyzing international relations: politics is not measured solely by slogans and public statements, but by what transpires behind closed doors and what evolves from those discussions into practical political paths.

From this perspective, it is essential to view with caution the image often portrayed by the media of an imminent confrontation between Türkiye and the Jewish entity. While the

struggle for influence may be real, and the interests of both parties in Syria may clash, this does not necessarily mean the ultimate outcome will be an open confrontation. Türkiye and the Jewish entity possess—simultaneously—channels of communication and intertwined interests; they operate within the same regional and international order, with the US remaining a central player in managing the region's balance of power.

It is in this context that Turkish Foreign Minister Hakan Fidan's remarks regarding the construction of a new regional system take on particular importance. If this security framework is predicated on restructuring regional relations and power dynamics, then integrating the Jewish entity into it does not appear impossible; indeed, it may well be a possibility currently being pursued deliberately and without haste. In this scenario, Türkiye's conflict with the Jewish entity is not necessarily contradictory to the normalization process. Instead, it could become a factor that reshuffles roles and compels the parties to negotiate the new rules of influence—particularly if the US, through its regional proxies, succeeds in encircling Iran's proxies.

It is striking that Syria—once a state that loudly championed the “Resistance” narrative—finds itself, following the fall of the tyrant Bashar Al-Assad, facing a reality of even greater subservience and capitulation under the “political acumen” of its new rulers. Strikes by the Jewish entity on Syria's soil continue with greater intensity, Turkish influence is expanding within the country, Russia maintains its presence, and the US manages the balance of power—all while Syria itself has begun engaging in direct contacts with Tel Aviv! Thus, the issue is no longer merely about determining who holds military sway over a specific base or

region, but rather defining Syria's stance within the new regional order.

Consequently, the bombing of Abu al-Duhur can be interpreted within a context that transcends the military strike itself. It targeted a site associated with potential Turkish influence, yet coincided with Syrian security contacts with the Jewish entity, ultimately leading to a public meeting between the Syrian Foreign Minister and the head of the Mossad. In politics, such tangible outcomes can be far more significant than the escalation of heated rhetoric between the parties.

Accordingly, the question raised by these developments is not simply: Are we facing an imminent confrontation between Türkiye and the Jewish entity on Syria's soil? Moreover, are we witnessing a restructuring of the conflict itself—one that pushes Syria toward the negotiating table with the Jewish entity, within a new regional framework where the interests of Türkiye, the Jewish entity, and the United States converge?

For what is said publicly is one matter, while what transpires behind closed doors is quite another. Ultimately, what matters is not the slogans raised by states and their rulers, but the policies they actually implement. If the targeting of Abu al-Duhur has resulted in bringing Damascus closer to a direct line of communication with Tel Aviv, then the crucial issue is not merely identifying who was targeted by the bombardment. Instead, it is understanding the political trajectory into which the aftermath has pushed the region, and determining who stands to benefit from this path—both in reshaping the future of Syria and the region, and in weakening the peoples of the area at a time when the Ummah yearns to regain its strength and unity more than ever before.

There is no way to halt the train of normalization with this monstrous Jewish entity—or to hold traitorous rulers accountable for their crimes—save for the establishment of the Second Khilafah Rashidah (rightly-guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood. It is this Khilafah (Caliphate) that will uproot the Jewish entity, liberate the Blessed Land, and restore the homeland to its rightful people. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿وَنُرِيدُ أَنْ نَمُنَّ عَلَى الَّذِينَ اسْتُضْعِفُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَنَجْعَلَهُمْ أَئِمَّةً وَنَجْعَلَهُمُ الْوَارِثِينَ﴾ **“And We wanted to confer favor upon those who were oppressed in the land and make them leaders and make them inheritors.”** [TMQ Surah Al-Qasas: 5].

The Saudi-Sudanese Coordination Council: A Step Toward the Partition of Sudan

By: Maysara Yahya Mohamed Nour

New coordination is underway between Saudi Arabia and Sudan, with ten key dossiers on the cooperation agenda. On Tuesday, August 18, 2026, Asharq Al-Awsat Newspaper reported that Saudi Arabia and Sudan had signed a document establishing the Saudi-Sudanese Coordination Council, aiming to elevate the level of cooperation between the two nations.

The Saudi Press Agency (SPA) stated, “Minister of Foreign Affairs Prince Faisal bin Farhan bin Abdullah and Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Sudan Mohieldin Salem Ahmed Ibrahim signed today at the ministry's headquarters in Riyadh a document establishing the Saudi-Sudanese Coordination Council.” It added, “The council's establishment reflects the two countries' keenness to advance cooperation and coordination. It will serve as an effective institutional platform for developing and strengthening bilateral relations and as an institutional framework bringing together relevant entities from both sides to work toward tangible outcomes through clear initiatives, projects, and targets, thereby enhancing cooperation and integration and fulfilling the aspirations of the leaderships and peoples of the two brotherly countries.” In a statement posted on the X platform, the Sudanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs noted that the council aims to establish a higher-level, more comprehensive institutional framework for managing and developing bilateral relations

between Saudi Arabia and Sudan, elevating them to a level of broader coordination and cooperation across various fields of mutual interest.

The council covers ten key portfolios—including political, economic, investment, and trade sectors, among other areas of cooperation—thereby contributing to the alignment of visions, the strengthening of the official partnership between the two nations, and the opening of new horizons for economic and investment collaboration. Furthermore, the council is expected to facilitate the implementation of joint projects and programs, support development and stability efforts, and advance mutual interests, reflecting the unique nature of Sudanese-Saudi relations and the commitment of both leaderships to developing these ties in an institutional and sustainable manner.

The statement concluded by noting that the signing of the agreement takes place amidst growing relations between Khartoum and Riyadh and shared aspirations for a new phase of strategic cooperation—one grounded in mutual interests and a shared vision for a future of greater stability and prosperity.

This statement comes at a time when Sudan is mired in a war that has been ongoing since 2023; the conflict has now entered the fifth month of its fourth year and has resulted in an estimated death toll of over 200,000 people, while Riyadh has exerted significant influence in an attempt to meet U.S. demands regarding the war.

Close observers of events in Sudan recognize that the United States holds the reins; it ignited the conflict and seeks to further fragment and tear apart the country—using its own citizens to do so—while Saudi Arabia acts merely as one of its instruments. We have witnessed this through interventions such as the Jeddah

platform, which played a major role in hosting negotiations between the two warring parties since the outbreak of the conflict, yet failed to achieve anything; instead, at the behest of America, they prolonged the war to enable themselves to achieve their own objectives.

We assure our people in this blessed land that Saudi Arabia—backed by America and the entire kaffir (disbelieving) West—wishes you no good; instead, they harbor ambitions regarding your country, which is rich in both visible and hidden resources. We also call upon our sincere sons in the army to grant nussrah (material support) to Hizb ut Tahrir so that it may establish the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly-guided Caliphate) upon the Method of the Prophethood. By doing so, we would lift the grave sin currently upon our necks—the sin of living without a Khilafah (Caliphate)—in accordance with the saying of the Prophet ﷺ who said, «وَمَنْ مَاتَ وَلَيْسَ فِي عُنُقِهِ بَيْعَةٌ مَاتَ مِيتَةً جَاهِلِيَّةً» **“Whoever dies without having a pledge of allegiance (Bay’ah) upon his neck dies the death of Jahiliyyah (pre-Islamic ignorance).”**

It is to this great good that we invite you, so that the sun of honor may rise once more; for we are the descendants of the conquerors—the descendants of Sultan Ali Dinar, who rendered such immense service to Islam. Allah ﷻ said, ﴿لِمِثْلِ هَذَا فَلْيَعْمَلِ الْعَامِلُونَ﴾ **“For the like of this let the those who do good deeds, strive.”** [TMQ Surah As-Saffaat: 61].

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The World Respects Only Those Who Control Their Own Decisions Independently And Know How to Defend Their Interests

An Ummah possessing the wealth, geographical location, and human resources to be a partner in decision-making should not remain a mere recipient of others' choices. Independence is not a slogan to be raised in speeches; it is a stance tested when the will of the state clashes with the pressures of major powers.

History shows no mercy to those who tie their homelands' fate to the will of foreign powers. Alliances and interests may shift, but it is the people who ultimately bear the consequences of humiliating decisions. States that fail to base their decisions on their own interests will inevitably pay the price for being dragged into Western agendas, footing the bill for policies they did not craft.

The region today does not need more alignments imposed by America; rather, it needs an independent political will that places the Ummah's interest above all else. It requires the realization that global respect is not granted to those who merely execute orders, but to those who command their own decisions and know how to defend their interests. Herein lies the tragedy: an Ummah that once shaped the global balance of power now waits for colonialist states to chart its course—not because Muslims have lost their wealth or strategic location, but because they have lost the unifying entity that bound them together. This reality will only change when the Ummah regains the political entity that unifies its will and restores its rightful standing among peoples.

US Takes a Major Step Toward Detaching Darfur via a No-Fly Zone!

Diplomatic sources told Bloomberg that US President Donald Trump's advisor on Arab and African Affairs, Massad Boulos, has requested a UN Security Council meeting on Sudan next Monday. According to the sources, Boulos will propose a no-fly zone over areas controlled by both the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces (RSF), as well as an arms embargo on both the Sudanese military and the RSF.

In a press statement, Ibrahim Othman (Abu Khalil), the official spokesman for Hizb ut Tahrir in Wilayah Sudan, remarked that: If this measure were to pass in the Security Council, it would represent a significant step towards the dismemberment of Darfur by crippling the army and preventing it from retaking the region. It appears that the army leadership is aware of this plan. Last Friday, in the city of Al-Manaqil in Al-Jazirah State, General Burhan confirmed that he does not rule out the possibility of new sanctions being imposed on Sudan and himself in the coming days, emphasizing that Sudan's enemies want to subjugate and subdue the country, but it will not be subdued!

He added that: Then, through the ceasefire agreements brokered by Boulos's paper, and now the push for a no-fly zone, America aims to completely block the Sudanese army's recapture of Darfur and consolidate Hemedti's control over it. In doing so, America is implementing the Libyan scenario in Sudan, and just as it took time to separate South Sudan, it is doing the same here.

Ustadh Abu Khalil concluded his statement by saying: O People of Sudan, take heed before it is too late, for then regret will be of no

avail. Seize the necks of both warring parties and compel them to adhere to the truth. Support Hizb ut Tahrir in establishing the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) according to the methodology of the Prophethood, for in it lies the glory of Islam and the Muslims, the humiliation of kufr (disbelief) and the kuffar (disbelievers), and the greatest reward from Allah.

﴿وَلَا تُؤْتُوا السُّفَهَاءَ أَمْوَالَكُمُ الَّتِي جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ قِيَامًا﴾

“And do not give the foolish your wealth, which Allah has made a means of support for you.” [TMQ Surah An-Nisaa': 5]

French President Macron received Muhammad Bin Salman (MBS) in Paris for a visit that combined discussions on Middle East crises with efforts to strengthen economic ties between the two nations. Macron announced Saudi investments worth six billion euros to build three theme parks in the Cergy-Pontoise area near Paris, describing the project as unprecedented and expected to create 22,000 direct jobs. The two sides also signed twenty additional agreements covering defense, security, transport, energy, and industry. Regarding the issue of Palestine, Paris and Riyadh called for an end to the “Israeli” settlement policy—which threatens the two-state solution—a path they had unsuccessfully attempted to revive together last year.

Ar-Rayah Newspaper: The irony is that Bin Salman brought six billion euros in investments to Paris in his briefcase, while his concluding statement offered merely verbal calls to halt settlement expansion. Six billion euros in exchange for empty words! How can the Jews take this call seriously when they see Muslim wealth developing Paris and fueling the economies of their adversaries? When money precedes a stance, it strips that stance of its meaning, transforming it from a tool of pressure into mere window dressing.

This Ummah's wealth is a trust placed upon the shoulders of its rulers; they will be held accountable for it before Allah before they are judged by history. Theme parks were built in Paris and investment palaces erected in Western capitals—leaving the Muslim in the East besieged and destitute while the Saudi investor in the West creates jobs for people outside their own Ummah—only because a ruler who abandons loyalty to his people and his faith inevitably falls into subservience to others.