Uzbekistan's Regime Is Spiteful of Islam And Hence It Harbours Malice Against Hizb ut Tahrir

(Translated)

The ruler of Uzbekistan, Islam Karimov, is spiteful of Islam and spiteful to all who call for it. His hatred is not new but it is an old hatred; we have witnessed it since the early nineties of the last century, i.e. since the emergence of the work of Hizb ut Tahrir in the country, where the tyrant Karimov carried out mass arrests of the party members. He continued from that time with the arrests and the fight against the party until the number of detainees exceeded eight thousand. With the fact that the party is a political party; it does not undertake acts of violence and material work. The dictator Karimov knows this, but his hatred of Islam made him spiteful and hostile and fight all who call to Islam, especially if the call is political.

Karimov was not sufficed with the arrests and imprisonments, but he ordered the courts to toughen sentences on the ones who call for Islam; there are sentences of 15 years, 10 years, 7 years, and 5 years. Those who serve their time are not released, but they are negotiated with to work with the regime against the party, if refused, it will result in an extended prison sentence. They did not find any one who was willing to cooperate with them, thus they started to negotiate with the one who completed his prison term for a written pledge that he will not return to work with the party, but rarely did they find anyone who is prepared to take such a pledge. Therefore, they have not released except a fraction, and the vast majority have extended sentences and not once.

Karimov was not sufficed with the long prison sentences and with their extension whenever they ended, but he ordered his henchmen, the jailers to torture the prisoners and prevent them from praying. Not only that, but he recommended the elimination of some prisoners with different types of torture, including administering drugs that cause incurable diseases. Hundreds of Hizb ut Tahrir members were assassinated.

Karimov still detains a large group of Muslims. Recently he arrested 70 Muslims; we will mention those who have been detained on charges associated to Hizb ut Tahrir:

- Deputy Governor of Quvasoy City, a resident in the city of Margilan Nadir born in 1981 sentenced for three years
- Director General of the Treasury for the Almalyk area Mirza Aleem Bin Imiyamin Khaidarov born in 1979 sentenced for 6 years
- Inspector (KRV) Azizbek Aargachev born in 1983 6 years
- Teacher at the School of Economics in the region Almalyk- Ahrar Bin Muhammad Jan Abdalrahmanov born in 1986 6 years
- Pharmacist in Kizelitiba Hospital- Almalyk- Ilham born in 1975 10 years
- Craftsman family member Azizbek Muminov born in 1989 10 years
- Services worker Atheem Jan Rahmanov born in 1992 6 years
- Trader Abdul Jabbar Abdul Hamid Mirza Rahmanov born in 1991 5 years
- Services worker Abdomu'min Muhammad Jan Mu'ammar Zaiev born in 1985 6 years
- Services worker Ali Sher Muhammad Jan Mu'ammar Zaiev born in 1991 10 years
- Craftsman Bahrudin Babayev born in 1985 14 years ...tried in separate trial.
- Mother of three children Zumurrud Bint Issa Jan Omarkolova born in 1974- 6 years
- Ni'matullah Bin Hatim born in 1991 sentenced for a year and a half plus a large fine
- Driver of the Deputy Governor mentioned above from Quvasoy City a huge fine

O Muslims: There is a large number of world leaders now like Karimov who detest Islam and consider it the source of terrorism, and consider all who call to Islam and for the establishment of the Islamic Khilafah and the implementation of Shariah as a terrorist and a threat to the whole world, and they establish alliances to fight all of this. Allah Almighty the truthful says:

"They want to extinguish the light of Allah with their mouths, but Allah refuses except to perfect His light, although the disbelievers dislike it. It is He who has sent His Messenger with guidance and the religion of truth to manifest it over all religion, although they who associate others with Allah dislike it" [At-Tawba: 32-33]

Therefore do not be afraid, O Muslims in Uzbekistan or anywhere in the world, Allah is with you, and the light of Islam will prevail in spite of all the unbelievers, the light of Islam will prevail over all the ideologies and all religions, including the capitalist ideology that most countries in the world follow, and we pray to Allah that it will be soon.

If these leaders of the world who are spiteful of Islam understand that the message of Islam is a mercy to mankind as Allah Almighty says:

﴿وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لَّلْعَالَمِينَ ﴾

"And We have not sent you, [O Muhammad], except as a mercy to the worlds" [Al-Anbiya: 107]

They would have not harbor hate against it nor tried to extinguish its light. This verse by the Almighty applies to them:

فَلْ هَلْ تُنَبَّنُكُمْ بِالْأَحْسَرِينَ أَعْمَالًا * الَّذِينَ ضَلَّ سَعْيُهُمْ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَهُمْ يَحْسَبُونَ أَتَّهُمْ يُحْسِئُونَ صُنْعًا»

"Say, [O Muhammad], "Shall we [believers] inform you of the greatest losers as to [their] deeds? [They are] those whose effort is lost in worldly life, while they think that they are doing well in work." [Al-Kahf: 103-104]

There are many of the sensible people in the West and the East who have studied Islam intellectually and did not follow blindly what they inherited from their forefathers and their societies, they served justice to Islam and embraced it because they were truthful with themselves. There will come a time when many of those who are fighting Islam now will admit to the blessing and mercy of Islam and will embrace it, once they live under its shade when Islam is victorious.

Karimov felt that the love of Muslims around him in Uzbekistan and in the world to Islam is increasing and their Islamic sentiments are growing stronger, which infuriated him and scared him, but he hid his anger and fear and started to show closeness and fondness to some Muslim scholars hypocritically, to keep these scholars on his side. And those who are not deceived by his hypocrisy, he accuses them with fake charges, detains, and punishes them. He does not stop the brutality of his actions towards them unless they submit to him and follow his way according to his wishes. But will detention, torture and murder change people's concepts and convictions? No it will not. That might silence some of them reluctantly, but it fuels in their hearts the determination to change oppression and the oppressors, this insistence is infectious and is kindled in the hearts of the relatives, neighbors, and acquaintances, and spreads across the country and all over the Muslim lands. We see members of Hizb ut Tahrir and the members of most of the sincere Islamic movements exercise beautiful patience and challenge the injustice of the oppressors, and they will continue to be part of the caravan of the struggling believers who are certain of Allah's victory.

Allah (swt) says:

إِنَّا لَنَنصُرُ رُسُلُنًا وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَيَوْمَ يَقُومُ الْأَشْهَادُ»

"Indeed, We will support Our messengers and those who believe during the life of this world and on the Day when the witnesses will stand" [Ghafir: 51]

The Messenger of Allah (saw) said:

«إِنَّ اللَّهَ زَوَى لِي الأرْضَ، قُرَأَيْتُ مَشَارِقَهَا وَمَعْارِبَهَا، وَإِنَّ أُمَّتِي سَيَبْلُغُ مُلْكُهَا مَا زُوِيَ لِي مِنْهَا»

"Allah Has shown me the earth: I saw its Easts and its Wests, the authority of my Ummah will prevail over all what I was shown» Narrated by Muslim and others."

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