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The Plight of the Rohingya Muslims: An Urgent Call for Action

The believers, men and women, are Auliya (protectors) of one another [At-Tawbah, 71]

01 Sha'ban 1436 (19/05/2015) - In the light of the great tragedy that has befallen our Muslim brothers in Myanmar and the continued suffering of hundreds of thousands of Rohingya Muslims, we once again urgently call upon all Muslims, particularly those in Bangladesh, Malaysia, Indonesia and Thailand, to help the thousands of Rohingya Muslims who remain stranded at sea.

Fleeing systematic persecution at the hands of the savage Buddhists, thousands of Muslims, including many women and children, have fled their homes and are desperately trying to reach the shores of safety; their only crime being their adherence to Islam. *“They had nothing against them, except that they believed in Allah, the All-Mighty, Worthy of all Praise!” (Al-Buruuj, 8]*

But to their dismay, their neighbours have rejected them and their Muslim brothers have neglected them; the physical pain of the treacherous journey only exceeded by the emotional grief in knowing that their own Muslim brothers have forsaken them, leaving them submerged in the depths of despair. And in addition to the severe torment they've endured over the years and the deafening silence of the Muslim Ummah with regards to their terrible plight, many Rohingya Muslims continue to scrape a miserable living in squalid makeshift camps dotted across the region while others embark on dangerous journeys in order to flee the atrocities inflicted upon them.

Despite being separated by thousands of miles of ocean, the plight of the Rohingya Muslims remains a matter of paramount importance to the Mujahideen, for indeed the fundamental cause of our Jihad is no other than to alleviate the suffering of Muslims, not only in East Africa but across the globe. Allah says:

“And what is wrong with you that you fight not in the Cause of Allah, and for those weak, ill-treated and oppressed among men, women, and children, whose cry is: “Our Lord! Rescue us from this town whose people are oppressors; and raise for us from You one who will protect, and raise for us from You one who will help.” [An-Nisaa, 75]

To the Muslims of Southeast Asia:

We hereby call upon all Muslims, particularly those in Southeast Asia. O' Muslims of Southeast Asia! Do not entrust the fate of your Muslim brothers to the apostate governments of the region, for they are all complicit in the horrendous crimes committed against the Rohingya Muslims.

“With regard to a believer, they respect not the ties, either of kinship or of covenant! It is they who are the transgressors.” [At-Tawbah, 10]

Take matters into your own hands, help your Muslim brothers and know that this is a religious obligation upon you for which you will be held fully accountable in front of Allah on the day of Judgement. The Prophet ﷺ said: *“The Muslim is the brother of another Muslim. He does not oppress him or forsake him. Whoever is in the service of his brother then Allah is in his service; and whoever alleviates a burden from his brother, Allah will alleviate his burden on the Day of Judgement”* (Bukhari and Muslim)

Let not your religious obligations be curtailed or dictated by apostate governments or by the calls of blind nationalism but by the teachings of the Qur’an and the Sunnah of our Prophet Muhammad ﷺ who said: *“The example of the believers in their mutual love, mercy and compassion is like a single body; if one limb aches the rest of the body is overcome with fever and sleeplessness”* (Bukhari and Muslim)

Such is the unbreakable bond of brotherhood in Islam. And with the atrocities occurring at your doorstep, it is upon you to take the pivotal role in alleviating the suffering of the Muslims in Myanmar. Welcome them; open your hearts to them before you open your homes and give shelter to the fleeing Muslims. Mobilize men, money and resources to defend the honour of the persecuted Muslims and repel the savage attacks of the polytheists for Allah is with you and He is the Best of Protectors and the Best of Helpers.

“But honour belongs to Allah and His Messenger, and to the Believers; but the Hypocrites know not”

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