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From the Qur'an:

(Remember, O Prophet, ') when Moses said to his people, "O my people! Why do you hurt me when you already know I am Allah's messenger to you?" So when they (persistently) deviated, Allah caused their hearts to deviate. For Allah does not guide the rebellious people.

And (remember) when Jesus, son of Mary, said, "O children of Israel! I am truly Allah's messenger to you, confirming the Torah which came before me, and giving good news of a messenger after me whose name will be Aḥmad (SAAW)." Yet when the Prophet came to them with clear proofs, they said, "This is pure magic."

(Surah As-Saf: Ayaat 5-6)

Hadith

Narrated Syeda Ayesha Siddiqa (رضى الله عنها):

Allah's Messenger (*) said to me, "Were your people not close to the Pre-Islamic period of ignorance, I would have demolished the Kaa'ba and would have rebuilt it on its original foundations laid bv Prophet Abraham (for Quraish had curtailed its building), and I would have built a back door (too)."

(Sahih Bukhari: Book 26, Hadith 655)

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).

During U.S. President Donald Trump's recent visit to the Middle East, Arab nations outdid one another in showering him with extravagant welcomes, treating his arrival like that of a master. In doing so, not only were Islamic directives flagrantly violated, but the essence of Arab culture and tradition was also trampled underfoot. One head of state had lines of young women dance before Trump and his entourage in a manner reminiscent of the harems of Pharaohs and Nimrods, where slave girls would cross all bounds of modesty to entertain their lords. In another prominent Muslim country, the crown prince watched as the women in his delegation, nearly outnumbering the men, cast aside all rubrics of modesty. Ignoring Islamic values and teachings, they freely shook hands with Trump, a man known for his unruly and immoral conduct.

The swords that have remained sheathed during a year and a half of brutal Israeli bombardment on Gaza were instead brandished in ceremonial welcome for the American president. Every Arab leader's face glowed with joy on this occasion. Tragically, these are the same faces that have shown no expression of sorrow or outrage over 77 years of Zionist atrocities against the Palestinians or the desecration of Al-Aqsa Mosque by Zionist forces.

Nonetheless, these events did not surprise us. After all, the Prophet Muhammad (SAAW) foretold the emergence of the disease of wahn (love of the world and fear of death) among the Arabs, and that they would be reduced to disgrace and humiliation, drifting on the sea like debris. The prophetic lament "Woe to the Arabs!" clearly predicted their downfall nearly fourteen centuries ago. Similarly, in the well-known Hadith of Gabriel, the emphasis on materialism and worldly obsession is highlighted in the response to the fifth and final question.

Some of our so-called intellectuals argue that these developments reflect the Arabs' abilities—after all, building towering skyscrapers is no ordinary feat. With due respect, we urge such thinkers to step out of their cloisters and seminaries to see the world with open eyes. The fact remains that the Arabs were merely the financiers. They became instant billionaires with the discovery of black gold—crude oil—and splurged their wealth in the name of investment.

However, the race to build the tallest buildings was among themselves, while the designs came from Britain, marble was imported from France, Italy, and Egypt, and most contracts were awarded to American firms. The labor force was drawn from poor Pakistani, Bangladeshi, and Indian workers. Meanwhile, the "privilege" of serving the weary and pampered Arabs fell to migrant women from the Far East.

It is no secret that over 70% of Trump's cabinet consists of businesspeople, and they view all matters through a commercial lens. Yet, when it comes to Israel and India, they conveniently abandon the rules and ethics of business. Israel is treated as a sacred cow before which not just Trump but Arab rulers also prostrate.

As mentioned earlier, while the Arab reaction to Trump's visit didn't shock us, it did, however, increase our concern. The visit was undoubtedly of historic significance and appeared, on the surface, to be centered around 'mega deals'. Upon returning to Washington, Trump reportedly made sarcastic remarks about his hosts, which are available on social media (though distinguishing between genuine and fake content in the age of AI is increasingly difficult).

When the President of the global superpower, Donald Trump, disembarked at Jeddah Airport and walked down a purple carpet matching his tie, the footage was broadcast live worldwide. Before landing, Air Force One was escorted by six Saudi pilots flying American-made F-15 fighter jets. Trump's limousine was accompanied by white Arabian horses. At the royal terminal, a traditional ceremony was held where he was seated beside the Saudi Crown Prince, (continued on page 2)

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in line with centuries-old custom of serving 'kahwa'. The global media was stunned when Trump, with strategic deftness, placed his cup of 'kahwa' on a table behind the Crown Prince and continued conversing, signaling that while trade, friendship, and diplomacy are acceptable, the President of a superpower ultimately trusts no one and operates strictly on his own terms.

This whirlwind tour reflected a future geopolitical, political, and economic blueprint. Alongside thanking his Arab hosts, Trump made several announcements that could reshape the political landscape of the Middle East. Four major themes stood out:

- 1. Pressure to recognize Israel—effectively telling the Arab world to forget Gaza, Palestine and Al-Aqsa.
- 2. Preventing Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons.
- 3. Lifting sanctions imposed on Syria, in return for recognizing Israel.
- 4. Securing multitrillion-dollar business, investment, and trade agreements.

Never one to miss an opportunity to sing his own praises, Trump also took credit for the ceasefire between Pakistan and India. While in Saudi Arabia, he acknowledged Pakistan's sacrifices in the war on terror—a gesture that must have delighted both the newly-promoted Field Marshal and another granted a second extension, and praising Pakistan's counter-terrorism efforts, which most certainly offered the government of Pakistan a moment of relief.

Despite this, Trump did not utter a single word condemning the ongoing Israeli bombardment of Gaza or the systematic extermination of Palestinians. Instead, he cunningly redirected the conversation toward peacebuilding and hostage negotiations. He demanded that Syria's interim president, Ahmad al-Sharah, recognize Israel—a demand that was promptly accepted. He also pushed for Saudi Arabia to join the Abraham Accords, although Saudi Arabia, which was ready before October 7, 2023, has since taken a more cautious stance.

Qatar reportedly gifted Trump a luxurious aircraft for his personal use. In one forum, the Saudi Crown Prince announced the Kingdom's consideration of \$600 billion worth of investment opportunities, expected to rise to \$1 trillion. According to the White House, this package includes what they call 'the largest arms deal in history,' amounting to \$142 billion in weapons sales. The U.S. described it as 'the biggest defense agreement in history', encompassing five key areas:

- i. Strengthening Saudi Arabia's air and space capabilities.
- ii. Missile defense systems.
- iii. Maritime and coastal security.
- iv. Modernization of ground and border forces.
- **v.** Improvements in defence communications and information systems.

Additionally, Saudi Arabia will invest billions of dollars in U.S. data centers, aviation, healthcare, and mineral sectors—essentially handing over the data of its citizens to the U.S., whose use of such data is widely understood. As for the question of whom Saudi Arabia will use these American weapons against, that remains a mystery.

Trump also signed defense and trade agreements with Qatar, including the sale of 160 aircraft worth \$200 billion and American MQ-9B drones. He then visited the United Arab Emirates, as mentioned earlier. Most economic analysts view the lifting of sanctions on Syria through a commercial lens, suggesting that Trump aimed to offer geopolitical advantages to his Middle Eastern allies in hopes of influencing their future decisions.

Trump's visit shifted the global discourse away from Gaza and onto his economic package—a strategic diversion. In our view, this trip holds yet another layer of significance: President Trump visited the Abrahamic Family House on Abu Dhabi's Saadiyat Island, which houses places of worship for Muslims, Christians, and Jews. This visit marked, in effect, the launch of 'Abraham Accords II'. Seemingly entrapped by this initiative, Arab states may soon formally recognize Israel, forsaking Gaza and the Palestinian cause in the process.

Thereafter, any country or group opposing Israel will be labeled as terrorists, and the world will rally to defend Israel with all its might. Essentially, Trump's true goal was to implement 'global Zionist subjugation.' Pakistan, meanwhile, remains occupied with the threat from India.

In summary, the world today is gripped by three glaring realities:

- 1. The rise of far-right ideologies at national and global level, with narratives such as "kill them," "expel them," "they are others," "these are terrorists," "those are rebels," "Such and such are Muslim fundamentalists and violent extremists," "They are just like the Khawarij", "execute them."
- **2.** A global arms race—traditional and non-traditional weapons, warplanes, drones, defense systems, electronic and cyber warfare tools—weaponry everywhere.
- **3.** The quest for global Jewish supremacy, moving beyond the Antichrist's system toward the preparation for the arrival of the so-called "Messiah" (Al-Masih Ad-Dajjal).

Put these three pieces of the riddle together and it becomes ominously clear that the world is marching toward a major (global) war. (And Allah *SWT* knows best.)

May Allah (SWT) grant understanding of the Great Game unfolding to Muslim rulers and establishments, and protect them from this manifestation of the Dajjal's trial. Ameen!

Signing off... Raza ul Haq (Editor)

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In Gaza, selling or serving food can get you killed

In its campaign of starvation, Israel is targeting all links of the food supply chain.

By: Sumaya Mohammed

On April 27, my brother-in-law, Samer, was killed in Deir el-Balah in central Gaza when his vegetable stall was bombed. He wasn't armed. He wasn't a political figure. He was a peaceful man trying to earn a living to feed his children in a place where food has become more expensive than gold.

Samer wasn't a vendor by profession. He was a lawyer who defended the rights of the oppressed. But the war forced him to change his path.

During the ceasefire, he was able to buy vegetables from local wholesalers. After the war resumed and the crossings into Gaza were closed in March, supplies dwindled dramatically, but he maintained a small stock of vegetables. He continued selling day and night, even as buyers became scarce due to the high prices. He often tried to give us vegetables for free out of generosity, but I always refused.

When I heard about Samer's killing, I froze. I tried to hide the news from my husband, but my tears spoke the truth. He looked like he wanted to scream, but the scream remained trapped inside his throat. Something held him back – perhaps his burdened soul could no longer bear even the expression of grief.

Samer left behind three little children and a heartbroken family. No one expected his death. It came as a shock. He was a good and pure-hearted young man, always cheerful, loving life and laughter, even in the toughest times.

I still remember him standing in front of his vegetable stall, lovingly calling out to customers.

Samer is among countless food sellers who have been killed in this genocidal war. Anyone employed in providing or selling food has been targeted. Fruit and vegetable vendors, grocers, bakers, shop owners and community kitchen workers have been bombed, as if they were dealing with weapons, not food. Bakeries, shops, farms and warehouses have been destroyed, as if the food they were providing was a threat.

Ten days after Samer was killed, a restaurant and a market on al-Wahda Street, one of the busiest in the Remal neighbourhood of Gaza City, were bombed. At least 33 people were killed.

Two weeks before Samer's martyrdom, the vicinity of a bakery in Jabaliya was bombed. Days before that, a food distribution centre in Khan Younis was targeted. According to the Government Media Office in Gaza, more than 39 food and distribution centres and 29 community kitchens have been targeted since the beginning of the war.

It is clear by now that in its campaign of deliberate starvation, Israel is not only blocking food from entering Gaza. It is also destroying every link in the food supply chain.

As a result of the repeated targeting of vendors and markets, all that is available now to buy – for those who can afford to buy food – are scraps. Death has become easier than life in Gaza.

The starvation is affecting babies and little children the worst. On May 21, the Euro-Med Human Rights Monitor reported at least 26 Palestinians, including nine children, died within a 24-hour period due to starvation and lack of medical care in Gaza.

On May 5, the Ministry of Health in Gaza said it had registered the deaths of at least 57 children caused by malnutrition since the aid blockade began in early March.

As a mother, I often go days without eating just to feed my children whatever little food we have left. My husband spends the entire day searching for anything to ease our hunger but usually comes back with mere scraps. If we're lucky, we eat a piece of bread – often stale – with a tomato or cucumber that I divide equally among our children.

The hardship Samer's wife faces is even more unbearable. She tries to hide her tears from her children, who keep asking when their father will return from the market. The loss forced her to become a father overnight, pushing her to stand in long queues in front of community kitchens just to get a bit of food.

She often returns empty-handed, trying to comfort her children with hollow words: "When Dad comes back, he'll bring us food." Her children fall asleep hungry, dreaming of a bite to fill their stomachs – one their late father will never bring.

Israel has claimed that it is blocking aid to Gaza because Hamas takes it. The Western media, fully complicit in distorting the truth, has parroted the claim.

Yet it is clear that Israel is not just targeting Hamas but the entire population of Gaza. It is deliberately using starvation as a weapon of war against civilians, obstructing the flow of humanitarian aid — a war crime, according to international law.

Recently, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu made the true aim of his government more than apparent by demanding all Palestinians be expelled from Gaza as a condition for ending the war. (continued on page 4)

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His decision to allow food through the crossings is nothing but a PR stunt. Enough flour was let in to have images of bread distributed at a bakery circulating in the media and to reassure the world that we are not starving.

But these images do not reflect the reality for us on the ground. My family has not received any bread and neither have the majority of families. Flour – where available – continues to cost \$450 per bag.

While Israel claims that 388 aid trucks have entered since Monday, aid organisations are saying 119 have. An unknown number of these have been looted because the Israeli army continues to target anyone trying to secure aid distribution.

This tiny trickle of aid Israel is allowing is nothing compared with the needs of the starving population. At least 500 trucks are required every single day to cover the bare minimum.

Meanwhile, some Western governments have threatened sanctions and made some symbolic gestures to supposedly pressure Israel to stop starving us. Why did they need to wait to see our children dying of hunger before doing this? And why are they only threatening and not taking real action?

Today, our greatest wish is to find a loaf of bread. Our sole concern is how to keep surviving amid this catastrophic famine that has broken our bones and melted our insides. No one among us is healthy any more. We've become skeletons. Our bodies are dead, but they still pulse with hope – yearning for that miraculous day when this nightmare ends.

But who will act to support us? Who still has a shred of compassion for us in their heart?

And the most important question of all – when will the world finally stop turning a blind eye to our slow, brutal death by hunger?

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Pakistan must remain fully prepared in light of the current perilous situation.

The five-month-long Israeli blockade on all forms of aid to Gaza constitutes a grave war crime, and the silence of the international community in response is utterly shameful.

Lahore (PR): These views were expressed by the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, Shujauddin Shaikh, in a statement. The Ameer said that on May 10, by the special help and support of Allah (SWT) Almighty, Pakistan gave a crushing response to India. While the Pakistan Air Force played a pivotal role in this historic victory, it was ultimately the divine help of Allah (SWT) and the prayers of the nation that led to India's humiliating defeat. He emphasized the need to express gratitude to Allah (SWT) for this victory, to focus on internal national stability, and to remain fully prepared for extremely perilous future scenarios. He warned that, with the support of Israel and the United States, India could launch more large-scale attacks on Pakistan in the near future. He further stated that the current ceasefire agreement appears to be merely temporary, designed to provide India with the opportunity to further its war planning and preparations. Therefore, it is imperative that we remain extremely vigilant. The Ameer said that the government of Pakistan should have made the ceasefire negotiations conditional upon the restoration of the Indus Waters Treaty, which could have been used to prevent India's water terrorism. He stressed that, under the current circumstances, it is essential for the public, government, opposition, military, and all state institutions to unite in anticipation of what lies ahead. The evil alliance of Israel, the United States, and India remains committed to its malicious objectives. He urged the military leadership to focus solely on its constitutional responsibility — the defense of Pakistan's territorial boundaries — and to completely refrain from interfering in the country's politics. He acknowledged China's strong support to Pakistan in the recent conflict against India and expressed gratitude, but also emphasized that the nation's ultimate reliance must be on Allah (SWT) Almighty, as true victory comes only through His help and guidance. He reiterated that Pakistan was established in the name of Islam, and its preservation and security lie in the implementation of the Islamic system in the country. The Ameer reminded the nation that India's recent aggression against Pakistan is part of the broader global "Great Game," and that Israel aims to dismantle Pakistan's nuclear deterrent and missile capabilities in order to remove the greatest obstacle to the establishment of a "Greater Israel." He cited the brutal Israeli airstrikes on Gaza on May 15 - the 77th anniversary of the Nakba - which killed 115 Muslims in a single day, as evidence of Israel's cruel expansionist agenda. Commenting on the dire humanitarian crisis in Gaza, he said that the illegitimate Zionist state of Israel has, for nearly five months, imposed a complete blockade on all humanitarian aid to Gaza. This has led to extreme famine and widespread disease, with many children embracing shahadah from hunger. On the other hand, U.S. President Donald Trump, during his visit to the Middle East, has signed multi-trillion dollar deals with certain Arab countries and is making every possible effort to normalize their relations with Israel under a new Abraham Accords initiative. He lamented the disgraceful behavior of the Arab nations, highlighting the shameful display of women dancing during Trump's reception and emphasizing that these billion-dollar agreements will only serve to advance the genocide of Muslims and the malevolent plan for Greater Israel. He strongly asserted that any form of relationship with Israel — a state guilty of genocide against Muslims in Gaza — constitutes not only a betrayal of Palestinian Muslims but also a flagrant violation of Allah's (SWT) commandments. He concluded by stating that the alliance between Zionists (Jews) and Hindus (Polytheists) is now blatantly evident. Therefore, Muslim nations must recognize their true enemies and take united, practical steps to thwart their nefarious designs.

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23 May 2025

The bill to ban marriage below the age of 18 is un-Islamic and shameful.

Lahore (PR): This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, Shujauddin Shaikh, in a statement. The Ameer said that the bill passed by the National Assembly and Senate-according to which Nikah registrars are prohibited from registering marriages involving individuals under 18 years of age, and whereby the groom, the Nikah registrar, and the witnesses will be held criminally liable, subject to imprisonment with hard labor and fines, and the marriage itself declared invalid—is a flagrant violation of the Qur'an and Sunnah. The Ameer expressed astonishment at how such a bill, which so openly contradicts Islamic teachings, could be passed with such haste in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. On one hand, an operation named "Bunyan-um Marsoos"—a Qur'anic expression—was rightly launched to protect the nation from enemy aggression and to retaliate with strength, resulting in a decisive response against the enemies of Islam and Pakistan, by the grace of Allah (SWT). Yet on the other hand, there is open defiance of clear Islamic directives. What message does this send? The Ameer remarked that, globally, the evil alliance of Israel, the United States, and India—together with the rest of the disbelieving world—are relentlessly attempting to harm Pakistan by any means necessary. A recent example of this was the attacks launched by India on Pakistan from May 6 to 9 using American, French, Russian, and Israeli weapons. It was solely by divine intervention that Pakistan was able to respond and counter these threats effectively. However, he warned that if the Government of Pakistan and the establishment choose to follow one command of the Qur'an while disregarding another, then, according to Surah Al-Baqarah, verse 85, they will not only suffer humiliation and disgrace in this worldly life but will also face severe punishment in the Hereafter. He called on the President of Pakistan not to sign and ratify this un-Islamic bill so that it does not become a law. He further urged the Government and establishment to truly embody the spirit and fulfill the requirements of the Qur'anic phrase "Bunyan-um Marsoos", and to take bold steps toward transforming Pakistan into a genuinely Islamic state. In doing so, he said, we can fulfill our religious obligations and attain success in both this world and the Hereafter.

27 May 2025

Pakistan is in dire need of an Ideological Youm-e-Takbeer as well.

Lahore (PR): This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem e Islami, Shujauddin Shaikh, in a statement. The Ameer remarked that May 28, 1998, marks a milestone in fortifying Pakistan's geographical defense and military capability. On this historic day, the government and state institutions made a courageous decision despite immense pressure from global powers, and Pakistan responded to India's nuclear tests by momentously demonstrating its own nuclear capability. This bold act not only stunned India, but also sent shockwaves through the United States, Israel, and other hegemonic malevolent powers. The Muslim Ummah expressed gratitude to Allah (SWT) as Pakistan officially became a nuclear power. The Ameer added that this daring step protected Pakistan from any potential nuclear aggression by India and helped to restore a certain balance of power in the region, a fact evident was in the recent Pakistan-India skirmishes and in Operation "Bunyan-um Marsoos". However, he lamented, Pakistan should have used the momentum of May 28, 1998, to move towards its true objective—establishing a genuine Islamic system of social justice. But the last two and a half decades show that successive governments have continually retreated from implementing the Islamic code of life. He panned the establishment for trampling the Constitution and law, interfering in national politics, and disregarding judicial processes. These actions, he noted, have particularly alienated the people of Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and have led to a massive increase in cases of enforced disappearances due to the unchecked authority of certain institutions. He remarked that today, the nation faces severe political instability, a situation being fully exploited by hostile forces. He emphasized that we must not forget the fate of the mighty Soviet Union—a nuclear superpower that collapsed because it abandoned its ideological foundation. In truth, Pakistan's survival and security lie in practically realizing the ideology of Pakistan. Therefore, the struggle for the establishment of an Islamic system of collective justice is not only essential for our salvation in the Hereafter but is also indispensable for stability in this world.