

براحتی کاتبه ایمان آورده
و آنانیکه هجرت کرده و بر راه
عطا جهاد نموده اند همینها
امید دارند رحمت خدا را و خدا
بس آمرزنده و مهربان است.

... إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَالَّذِينَ هَاجَرُوا
وَجَاهَدُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ
أُولَئِكَ سَيَرْحَمُهُ رَبُّهُ
وَأِنَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

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DEMONSTRATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

On Friday, the Safar 16, 1400 (January 4, 1980), the Islamic Association of Afghan Students (I.A.A.S.) called upon all committed Muslims to show their solidarity with the Muslim struggle in Afghanistan with their participation in Salat-ul-Juma'a and in an organized demonstration for the purpose of arousing the world conscience to strongly condemn the blatant Soviet aggression in Afghanistan and identify with the plight of the oppressed masses of Afghan Muslims.

Alhamdu-Lillah, the Muslims came from places even as far away as Oklahoma. They numbered about a thousand, representing a great show of Islamic unity and support for the Muslims in Afghanistan engaged in a fierce battle with Russian troops. The starting point was the Islamic Center of Washington. The program commenced with the recitation of Qur'an Kareem (Al-Nisa verses 74-76), followed by talks on the Islamic Revolution in Afghanistan. One of the highlights of the program was an inspiring Juma'a Khutba on the current state of the Muslims in the world, and their Islamic responsibilities, delivered by our Brother Mohammed H. Asi. After Salat the march began, which was impressive in number of participants, discipline and enthusiasm. The marchers went to the Dupont Circle, then near the Russian Embassy before returning back to the Islamic Center.

Throughout the march the chants were: Allah-u Akbar, La Ilaha Illallah Mohammed-ur Rasulullah, Russia! Out of Afghanistan, Mujahiddin! Kill Russian invaders, Red Army! Afghans will bury you, Down with Russian Imperialism, Down with U.S. Imperialism, Down with Zionism, Long live Islamic Revolution in Afghanistan, Long live Islamic Revolution in Iran, Long live Khomeini, and Nasru Min-Allah wa Fathun Qarib.

JUMA'A KHUTBA: The following is a recollection of the Juma'a Khutba given by our Brother Mohammed H. Asi:

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, MOST COMPASSIONATE MOST MERCIFUL

Praise be to Allah, there is no supreme being except Allah and Mohammed is the Messenger of Allah.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ اشْتَرَى مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ أَنْفُسَهُمْ وَأَمْوَالَهُمْ بِأَنْ لَهُمُ الْجَنَّةُ يُعَاتِلُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَيَقْتُلُونَ
يُقْتَلُونَ وَعَدَا عَلَيْهِمْ حَقًّا فِي التَّوْبَةِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَالْقُرْآنِ وَمَنْ أَوْفَى بِعَهْدِهِ مِنَ اللَّهِ
فَأَسْتَبِشِرُوا بَيْنَكُمْ الَّذِي بَاعْتَرَاهُ وَذَلِكَ هُوَ الْقَوْلُ الْعَظِيمُ

"Allah has purchased of the Believers their persons and their goods; for theirs (in return) is the Garden (of Paradise) : They fight in His Cause, and slay and are slain: A promise binding on Him in Truth, through the Law, the Gospel, and the Qur'an: And who is more faithful to His covenant than Allah? Then rejoice in the bargain which ye have concluded: That is the achievement supreme."

QUR'AN (Sura Tauba-111)

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا هَلْ أَدُلُّكُمْ عَلَىٰ تِجَارَةٍ تُنْجِيكُمْ مِنْ عَذَابِ أَلِيمٍ
 تُوْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ وَتُجَاهِدُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ بِأَمْوَالِكُمْ وَأَنْفُسِكُمْ ذَٰلِكُمْ خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ
 إِن كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ ۚ يَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ ذُنُوبَكُمْ وَيُدْخِلْكُمْ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ
 وَمَسْكِنٍ ظَلِيمَةٍ فِي جَنَّاتٍ عَدْنٍ ۚ ذَٰلِكَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ ۝
 وَأُخْرَىٰ تُحِبُّونَهَا نَصْرٌ مِنَ اللَّهِ وَكَلْفٌ قَرِيبٌ ۚ وَبَشِيرٌ لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ ۝

"O ye who believe! Shall I lead you to a bargain that will save you from a grievous Penalty? That you believe in Allah and His Apostle, and that ye strive (your utmost) in the Cause of Allah, with your property and your persons: That will be best for you, if you but knew!

"He will forgive you your sins, and admit you to Gardens beneath which rivers flow, and to beautiful mansions in Gardens of Eternity: that is indeed the supreme achievement.

"And another (favor will He bestow), which you do love, - help from Allah and a speedy victory. So give the Glad Tidings to the Believers."

QUR'AN (Sura Al-Saff 10-13)

The Messenger of Allah says: "He who dies without having fought in the Cause of Allah, or without the preparation of fighting has departed life hypocritically (non-Islamically). The AYAT and AHADITH that discuss this subject are numerous.

We the Muslims are a people of historical responsibilities. Our history did not begin with carving up of our contemporary nation-states. Nor did it begin with the life of our beloved Prophet, may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him. Our historical responsibility dates back to the beginning of mankind. Our history begins with the eternal clash between Truth and Falsehood. The revelations we received from Allah throughout the past were our guidance. We belong to the people that struggled with Allah's Messengers against the injustices and corruptions of historical fame. Our history dates back to Adam and Noah, Ibrahim, Ismail, Ishaac, Yaqub, Yusuf, Hud, Salih, Lut, Shuaib, Yunus, Alyas, Moses, Harun, David, Soloman, Zakariya, Yahya, Jesus, and Mohammed. Mat Allah be pleased with them all. They are our leaders and we belong to their ranks.

At a time in history this responsibility was given to the Israelites. At times they upheld the Covenant but later on corruption and deviation plagued their society and they did not live up to the Covenant between them and Allah. The task was given to us and we were named Muslims. Our Islam taught us total submission to Allah without owing any of our allegiance to anyone else except Allah.

Our forefathers discharged their responsibilities and carried out the message of Islam to all the world. The Israelites lost their privileges because they monopolized

Allah's revelation and incorporated it with their racism, but our forefathers successfully upheld the international nature of Allah's revelation. Islam was to become the way of life of different sectors ranging from Morocco to Indonesia, a brotherhood that encompassed many peoples of different languages, races, locations and colors. Our Islam was passed on to us on a river of blood that defended our independent character and our political state.

Today the picture has changed: we are targeted by super-oppressors and one region after another is a prey of the Moscow-Washington axis. Today Afghanistan is blatantly invaded by what is called the "Soviet Union" more accurately White Russia. They send in their troops to occupy an independent and sovereign state of the international community and this is according to their own standards, but even their own standards are violated if the country happens to be Islamic.

Our Mujahideen brothers in Afghanistan did not begin their struggle yesterday, nor last week, nor the month before, they have been fighting for over two years against their external and internal enemies.

Next to Afghanistan our Muslim brothers in Iran are fighting and resisting the Imperialist mechanics of the other super-oppressor, the United States.

With Russia and U.S. attacking us on all fronts at this time we should recognize who our enemies are. It is foolish to deceive ourselves and play one side against the other because they are essentially only one sided in opposing Islam. The Prophet's Hadith has materialized:

"Nations will converge upon you as hungry beasts converge upon a piece of food !" The Companions asked (with surprise !) "Is it because we will be very few in number ?!" The Prophet replied: "No. But you are a numerical lot. But you are like foam, volume without substance, and Allah will take away the enemy's fear and He will throw 'wahan' into your hearts !" They asked "what is wahan?" He said: "The love of this world, the inclination towards this life and the hatred of the next world, the hatred of death."

What has happened to us? Why are we subjugated and oppressed by a network of governments from Morocco to Indonesia? Why are we nonpersons, being of no value in India, the Muslim refugees of Burma, the Muslim's plight in Eritria, Chad and Palestine ?

What happened to the example set by our beloved Prophet and his Companions and our forefathers who used to shed theirs tears during the night and shed their blood during the day?

We have been humiliated to a degree that when our brothers in Iran broke the yoke of oppression we were overtaken by the outcry of what is called international law ?! Where was or where is this international law when Muslims are hostages, refugees and victims of barbaric governments and political systems imposed upon them by Russian and American Imperialism?

As for those people who spend most of their time speaking and talking they are asked to get in touch with reality. Our forefathers used to study six months and then fight at the front for six months. If people are afraid to expose the nature of their oppressive governments I shall begin with myself and say to you all that Syria, my fatherland is dominated by a government which is the antithesis of Islam.

The Messenger of Allah said: "The likening of the Muslims is similar to a body. If one organ malfunctions then the rest of the body tries to compensate and make up for the organ's malfunction. We lost Spain. Never again shall we lose one more inch of our land. Not one more inch.

DECLARATIONS

(1) Declaration by the Islamic Association of Afghan Students (I.A.A.S.):

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, MOST COMPASSIONATE MOST MERCIFUL

THE INVASION OF AFGHANISTAN

The Russian Imperialists invaded Afghanistan on Thursday, December 27, 1979, have occupied the sovereign Muslim country and are engaged in a systematic genocide of the innocent population.

Eversince the coalition of the Russian puppets came to power in a bloody coup in April, 1978, more than 300,000 Afghans have been killed and over half a million (current estimate is around one million) have been forced to take refuge in the neighboring countries. Not satisfied with that, the Russians committed more than 70,000 (by now around 100,000) troops by land and air killing thousands of Afghans who stood in front of the invading tanks and planes to defend the honor and independence of their country.

We appeal to all freedom loving people to focus their attention on this blatant Soviet aggression into Afghanistan and demand the immediate withdrawal of the Russian armed forces. We appeal to the world conscience to condemn this violation of the sovereignty of the nation of Afghanistan and support the right to self determination of the Muslim people of Afghanistan.

LONG LIVE THE ISLAMIC REVOLUTION IN AFGHANISTAN

LONG LIVE THE ISLAMIC MOVEMENT OF THE WORLD

DOWN WITH THE INTERNATIONAL IMPERIALISM

(2) Declaration by the Muslim Students Association of U.S. & Canada (M.S.A.):

ON THE RUSSIAN INVASION OF AFGHANISTAN

Afghanistan is an integral and independent part of the Islamic Homeland. The Afghani people are brothers of all the other Muslims. The Russian invasion and occupation of Afghanistan is an act of aggression and war, not only against the Afghans but against all Muslims including the 63 million Muslims of the "Soviet Union!", who for decades have suffered under the dictates of white Russian Centralism.

We clearly declare that the age of military occupation will be buried in Afghanistan. While we stage our protest against Russian Imperialism in Afghanistan we also warn all the other super-oppressors not to behave as the Russians. We are independent countries making a comeback to our ideological and historical responsibilities with the guidance of God's last revelation (Islam). We are determined to eradicate all forms of illegitimate and illegal political entities from Morocco to Indonesia.

Let it be known that we will not play the games of the super-oppressors. We will not fight the Russians for the Americans, and we will not fight the Americans for the Russians. We will not interfere in the internal affairs of the U.S. nor the S.U. On the other hand we will wage war, we will struggle, we will fight and we will obtain martyrdom for the objectives of self rule and self determination based upon the will of the indigenous Muslims, be they in Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Syria, Egypt and wherever Muslim masses are.

Yesterday the Shah, tomorrow Babrak Karmal then Asad of Syria, Sad-Dam of Iraq, Hasan of Morocco, etc... we are in the beginning of our struggle. Afghanistan will be liberated from Russian occupation. Central Asia will be liberated from Russian occupation. All Muslim lands will be liberated from

Eastern Hegemony and western Imperialism. IN MUSLIM LANDS MARXISM, COMMUNISM, IMPERIALISM, CAPITALISM, ZIONISM & APARTHEID ARE WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE. LONG LIVE THE MUSLIMS WHO ARE ACHIEVING MARTYRDOM TO OFFER MANKIND A BETTER WAY OF LIFE.

(3) Declaration of Academy of Islam:

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, MOST COMPASSIONATE MOST MERCIFUL

Declaration of Intention and Resolution on Afghanistan

Afghanistan, an Islamic country-an Islamic people, have been brutally invaded by the Soviet Union, who prior to their present military campaign, instigated several coup d'etat within the country, which in turn, proceeded to invite their cohorts and their troops into the country to suppress and liquidate our Muslim Umma. Indeed, they have the gall to call the MUJAHIDDIN "insurgents" and "renegades" who oppose the "popular government." Over 500,000 of our Umma have been forced to retreat across the Pakistan border for asylum and regroup their vital life force in refugee camps. History has demonstrated the staggacity of the Afghan people, who have never been defeated by an invading force. Insha Allah they will defend this tradition. However, the present struggle, which has been the culmination of years of political strife, has transcended the conventional scale of defence and retaliation of the MUJAHIDDIN, who not only must fight the Russian Army, but must fight the pangs of hunger, deriving their sustenance from eating grass and leaves of the country side.

The scope of the military intervention has escalated to over 100,000 Soviet troops in Afghanistan, and demands an immediate response from the Islamic Umma. It is Fard-Ayn, obligatory for every Muslim, to raise the banner of JIHAD, to raise troops to fight by the side of our brothers; to raise a relief fund to meet the needs of the army and the needs of the wounded and those in refuge; and lastly, but not least important, to establish a campaign of psychological warfare at many levels against the enemy, for the enemy shall not be routed by force alone. Verily, with intelligence, combined with Guidance of Allahu wa Ta'ala -His Knowledge, His Wisdom, His Truth-the Russians, with all their sophisticated weaponry can be conquered. It is time to demonstrate the Power of Allahu wa Ta'ala, not only to Russia, but to the entire world. It is time to demonstrate the True Al-Islam, for only in the light of Truth will the falsehood vanish. Only in truth can the enemy be defeated...any solution less than this will end in defeat.

Thus we at the Academy of Islam International declare our intention for JIHAD: To implement first and foremost, the Greater JIHAD within our hearts, to purify all our intentions in this life, for the sake of Allahu wa Ta'ala. Only then, may we be effective, gaining victory over the enemy. We offer our prayer, our worships, our lives, our talents, our services, and our monies to this sacred cause. We join and enjoin all those who are striving in the way of Allahu wa Ta'ala to the Great and Greater JIHAD. We must feel the pain of our Muslim brothers. The Muslim Ummah is one body. How then, can we not feel the pain of hunger, the pain of violence as the blade of the knife cuts open our skin and twists inside our body? We earnestly pray that all Muslims, from every corner of the world, hearken to this call....for it is not our voice that is crying in the void, nor is it our voice demanding that we do our duty, nor is it the voice of the MUJAHIDDIN suffering on the battlefields. It is the voice of our RABB, calling every one of us to serve His divine Plan. It is Allahu wa Ta'ala who demands that we surrender our whole selves unto Him. His work, is the "Great Work"....and we, by His Grace, are of those who bow down, who hear and obey.

O Believers!

Join us in our resolution to establish a united Jihad/Relief Fund:

*to send food, useful clothing and medical supplies etc.

- * to initiate a publicity campaign;
 - to raise the consciousness of the non-Muslim world to the Truth of Islam and to solicit their aid in our fund raising drive.
 - "package" press releases and our media programs.
 - organize demonstrations.
- * to raise and train a Jihad Task Force.
- * to send volunteer doctors, medics, and other qualified Muslim persons.

It is our greatest hope that this moment is the turning point for the Muslim people through-out the world. The time has come to generate a mobilization program that can be implemented at the dropping of a pin, so that further atrocities of repression against the smallest contingent of the Muslim Umma will be met with quick resolve and retribution.

Now is the time to act. We have seen enough of well meaning organizations which dissolve in the sea of regional rhetoric. Just as an army is composed of squads, companies, battalions, regiments and divisions, all working in concert with one another, so in a like manner must we function.

The Time Is Now! On the home front and the battlefields of Afghanistan. We must capture the media with the best flare of our imaginations. We must project the true image of Islam on the worlds impressionable minds, and impress upon them the gravity of our message.

There is no time to waste, for if Russia is allowed to entrench itself in Afghanistan, they will be there to stay. They will be on the back of Pakistan and one step closer of the Indian Ocean. The United States, the Western Powers, the United Nations are all helpless to remove all traces of the Soviet atheistic presence in Afghanistan. Only the Power of Islam has the will or the perseverance to purge Afghanistan of the Russian blight. Only the Muslims have the Power of Allahu wa Ta'ala guiding them. Only the MUJAHIDDIN have a host of angles fighting by their side, and the promise of JENNAH- the promise of Victory.

Allahu wa Ta'ala says in 65th AYAT of SURA AL-ANFAL:

"O Prophet! Extort the believers to fight. If there be of you twenty steadfast they shall overcome two hundred, and if there be of you a hundred steadfast they shall overcome a thousand of those who disbelieve, because they (the disbelievers) are a folk without intelligence."

By the Permission of Allah, may we be guided to Victory.

As-salamu Alaikum,

(4) United Nations Declaration:

Since the Soviet Union vetoed the Security Council Resolution calling for the immediate withdrawal of the Russian forces from Afghanistan, the issue was taken to the U.N. General Assembly. The Assembly voted 104-18 deploring the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and called for "the immediate, unconditional and total withdrawal of (all) foreign (Russian) troops." The members of the United Nations voted as follows:

IN FAVOR:

Albania, Argentina, Australia, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Burma, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Democratic Kampuchea (Cambodia), Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Fiji, France, Gabon, Gambia, West Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Iceland, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia,

Luxembourg, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Surinam, Swaziland, Sweden, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United Republic of Cameroon, United Republic of Tanzania, United States, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia and Zaire.

AGAINST:

Afghanistan, Angola, Bulgaria, Byelorussia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Democratic (South) Yemen, Ethiopia, East Germany, Grenada, Hungary, Laos, Mongolia, Mozambique, Poland, Ukraine, Soviet Union and Vietnam.

ABSTAINING:

Algeria, Benin, Burundi, Congo, Cyprus, Equatorial Guinea, Finland, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, India, Madagascar, Mali, Nicaragua, Saotome and Principe, Syria, Uganda, (North) Yemen and Zambia.

ABSENT OR NOT PARTICIPATING:

Bhutan, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Dominica, Libya, Romania, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, South Africa and Sudan.

REMARKS

Following the demonstrations a number of letters and comments were received. Though mostly congratulatory and encouraging in nature, two had raised some questions:

A number of participants were disturbed at the mixing of "Islam and Politics" in the program. We would like to refer them to Qur'an Kareem, particularly to the verse

قُلْ إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي لِلرَّبِّ الْعَلِيِّنِ ۝

"Say: Truly my prayer and my service of sacrifice, my life and my death, are all for Allah the Cherisher of the Worlds."

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Another writer felt "cheated" and "dismayed" at the appearance of Imam Khomeini's poster in the demonstration procession and, therefore, did not mince any words in condemning the I.A.A.S. for "double-dealing" and "munafiqat" for violating his imagined "consent" and "understanding" with the I.A.A.S. (Demonstration Program Coordinator) concerning the program.

I.A.A.S. had never sought his "consent" concerning any poster or slogans and had given no "assurances" of any nature to any one. Though the I.A.A.S. respects the venerable Imam and considers him as the leader of the Islamic Revolution of our time, it does not countenance to his or anyone else's picture posters.

As for the motive and attitude of the writer, to him, we say: May Allah guide you and reward you with Islamic character:

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