

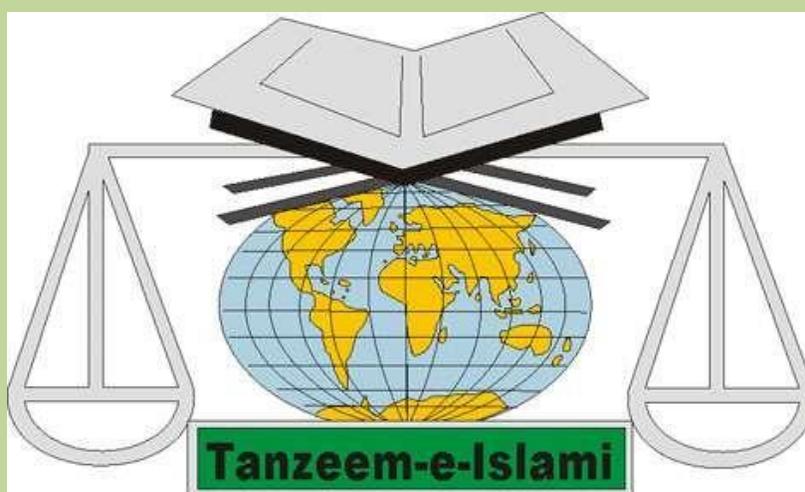
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From the Qur'an:

"[All] praise is [due] to Allah, who has sent down upon His Servant the Book and has not made therein any deviance."

"[He has made it] straight, to warn of severe punishment [fierce war] from Him and to give good tidings to the believers who do righteous deeds that they will have a good reward."

(*Surah Al-Kahf; Verses 1-2*)

Selected Hadith:

Narrated Thawban (RA),
"The Messenger of Allah (SAAW) said:

The people (of the world) will soon summon one another to attack you as people when eating invite others to share their dish. Someone asked: Will that be because of our small numbers at that time? He replied: No, you will be numerous at that time: but you will be scum and rubbish like that carried down by a torrent, and Allah will take fear of you from the breasts of your enemy and cast "wahn" (enervation) into your hearts. Someone asked: What is wahn? He (SAAW) replied: Love of the world and dislike (fear) of death."

(*Sunan Abi Dawud*)

EDITORIAL

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).

One of the essential components of a police state is an all-pervasive spy apparatus operating independently of any legal or constitutional constraints, around the world. These spy operations loosely include:

1. Massive surveillance over text, video and audio communications, and
2. The capacity to secretly record, store and use information secretly collected.

This information strengthens political and economic 'leaders' who, in turn, appoint and direct the spy chiefs. The political and economic rulers control the spy-lords by setting the goals, means and targets of any surveillance state. The US global spy apparatus is neither 'self-starting nor self-perpetuating'. It did not arise in a vacuum and it has virtually no strategic autonomy. While there may be intra-bureaucratic conflicts and rivalries, the institutions and groups function within the overall 'paradigm' established and directed by the global political and economic elite.

The growth and expansion of the US spy apparatus has deep roots in its history and is directly related to the colonial need to control subjugated native and enslaved peoples. However, the global operations emerged after the Second World War when the US replaced Europe as the center of world imperialism. The US assumed the principal role in preventing the spread of revolutionary and anti-colonial movements from the Soviet Union, China, Korea, Vietnam and Cuba to war and crisis-burdened countries of Europe, North and Southeast Asia and Latin America. When the collectivist states fell apart in the 1990's the US became the sole superpower and a unipolar world emerged.

For the United States, 'unipolarity' meant an impetus toward total global domination, a world-wide network of military bases, the subordination of capitalist competitors in other industrial countries, the destruction of nationalist adversaries and the unfettered pillage of resources from the former collectivist regimes as they became vassal states. The last condition meant the complete dismantling of the collectivist state and its public institutions – education, health care and worker rights.

The opportunities for immense profits and supreme control over this vast new empire were boundless while the risks seemed puny, at least during the 'golden period', defined by the years immediately after the capitalist takeover of the ex-Soviet bloc, the 'gradual' Chinese transition to capitalism and the conversion of many former African and Asian nationalist regimes, parties and movements to 'free-market' capitalism.

Dazzled by their vision of a 'new world to conquer' the United States set up an international state apparatus in order to exploit this world-historical opportunity. Most top political leaders, intelligence strategists, military officials and business elites quickly realized that these easy initial conquests and the complicity of pliable and kleptocratic post-Communist vassal rulers would not last. The societies would eventually react and the lucrative plunder of resources was not sustainable. Nationalist adversaries were bound to arise and demand their own spheres of influence. The White House feared their own capitalist allies would take on the role of imperialist competitors seeking to grab 'their share' of the booty, taking over and exploiting resources, public enterprises and cheap labor.

The new 'unipolar world' meant the shredding

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of the fabric of social and political life. In the 'transition' to free market capitalism, stable employment, access to health care, security, education and civilized living standards disappeared. In the place of once complex, advanced social systems, local tribal and ethnic wars erupted. It would be 'divide and conquer' in an orgy of pillage for the empire.

However, the vast majority of the people of the world suffered from chaos and regression when the multi-polar world of collectivist, nationalist, and imperialist regimes gave way to the unipolar empire.

For US imperialist strategists and their academic apologists the transition to a unipolar imperial world was exhilarating and they dubbed their unchallenged domination the 'New World Order' (NWO). The US imperial state then had the right and duty to maintain and police its 'New World Order' – by any means.

Francis Fukiyama, among other academic apologists celebrated the 'end of history' in a paroxysm of imperial fever. Liberal-imperial academics, like Immanuel Wallerstein, sensed the emerging challenges to the US Empire and advanced the view of a Manichean world of 'unipolarity' (meaning 'order') versus 'multipolar chaos'— as if the hundreds of millions of lives in scores of countries devastated by the rise of the post-collectivist US empire did not have a stake in liberating themselves from the yoke of a unipolar world.

By the end of its first decade, the unipolar empire exhibited cracks and fissures. It had to confront adversarial nationalist regimes in resource-rich countries, including Saddam Hussein in Iraq, Muammar Gaddafi in Libya and Bashar Assad in Syria. They challenged US supremacy in North Africa and the Middle East. The Taliban in Afghanistan and nationalist Islamist movements questioned US influence over the vassal rulers of Muslim countries – especially the puppet monarchs in the Persian Gulf.

On the other side of the imperial coin, the domestic economic foundations of the 'New World Order' were weakened by a series of speculative crises undermining the support of the US public as well as sectors of the elite. Meanwhile European and Japanese allies, as well as emerging Chinese capitalists, were beginning to compete for markets.

Within the US an ultra-militarist group of political ideologues, public officials and policy advisers, embracing a doctrine combining a domestic police state with foreign military intervention, took power in Washington. 'Conservatives' in the Bush, Sr. regime, 'liberals' in the Clinton administration and 'neo-conservatives' in the Bush, Jr. administration all sought and secured the power to launch wars in the Persian Gulf and the Balkans, to expand and consolidate the unipolar empire.

Maintaining and expanding the unipolar empire became the trigger for the White House's global police state apparatus. As new regimes were added to Washington's orbit, more and more surveillance was needed to make sure they did not drift into a competitor's sphere of influence.

The year 2000 was critical for the global police state. First there was the dot-com crash in the financial sector. The speculative collapse caused massive but unorganized disaffection among the domestic population. Arab resistance re-emerged in the Middle East.

The cosmically corrupt Boris Yeltsin vassal state fell and a nationalist, Russian President Vladimir Putin took power. The willing accomplices to the disintegration of the former USSR had taken their billions and fled to New York, London and Israel. Russia was on the road to recovery as a unified nuclear-armed nation state with regional ambitions. The period of unchallenged unipolar imperial expansion had ended.

The election of President Bush Jr., opened the executive branch to police state ideologues and civilian warlords, many linked to the state of Israel, who were determined to destroy Arab states and other Muslim adversaries in the Middle East. The steady growth of the global police state had been 'too slow' for them.

The newly ascendant warlords and the proponents of the global police state wanted to take advantage of their golden opportunity to make US/Israeli supremacy in the Middle East irreversible and unquestioned via the application of overwhelming force ('shock and awe').

Their primary political problem in expanding global military power was the lack of a fully dominant domestic police state capable of demobilizing American public opinion largely opposed to any new wars. 'Disaster ideologues' like Phillip Zelikow and Condoleezza Rice understood the need for a new 'Pearl Harbor' to occur and threaten domestic security and thereby terrify the public into war.

They lamented the fact that no credible regimes were left in the Middle East to cast as the 'armed aggressor' and as a threat to US national security. Such an enemy was vital to the launching of new wars. And new wars were necessary to justify the scale and scope of the new global spy apparatus and emergency police state edicts the warlords and neoconservatives had in mind. Absent a credible 'state-based adversary', the militarists settled for an act of terror (or the appearance of one) to 'shock and awe' the US public into accepting its project for imperial wars, the imposition of a domestic police state and the establishment of a vast global spy apparatus.

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The September 11, 2001 false flag attacks at the World Trade Center in New York City and the plane crash into a wing (mostly vacant for repairs) of the Pentagon in Washington, DC were the triggers for a vast political and bureaucratic transformation of the US imperial state. The entire state apparatus became a police state operation.

All constitutional guarantees were suspended. The neo-conservatives seized power, the civilian warlords ruled. A huge body of police state legislation suddenly appeared, as if from nowhere, the 'Patriot Act'. The Zionists in office set the objectives and influenced military policies to focus on Israel's regional interests and the destruction of Israel's Arab adversaries who had opposed its annexation of Palestine.

War was declared against Afghanistan without any evidence that the ruling Taliban was involved or aware of the September 11 attack of the US.

Despite massive civilian and even some military dissent, the civilian warlords and Zionist officials blatantly fabricated a series of pretexts to justify an unprovoked war against the nationalist regime in Iraq, the most advanced of all Arab countries.

Europe was divided over the war.

Countries in Asia and Latin America joined Germany and France in refusing to support the invasion.

The United Kingdom, under a 'Labor' government, eagerly joined forces with the US hoping to regain some of its former colonial holdings in the Gulf.

The slogan, 'Global War on Terror' (GWOT) became an open-ended formula for the civilian warlords, militarists and Zionists to expand the scope and duration of overt and covert warfare and espionage. 'Homeland Security' departments, operating at both the Federal and State levels, were consolidated and expanded with massive budgets for incarceration and repression.

Constitutional protections and the Writ of Habeas Corpus were 'rendered quaint vestiges of history'. The National Security Agency doubled its personnel and budget with a mandate to distrust and monitor allies and vassal states. The targets piled upon targets, far beyond traditional adversaries, sweeping up the public and private communications of all political, military and economic leaders, institutions, and citizenry.

The 'Global War on Terror' provided the ideological framework for a police state based on the totalitarian conception that 'everybody and everything is connected to each other' in a 'global system' threatening the state. This 'totalistic view' informs the logic of the expanded NSA, linking enemies, adversaries, competitors and allies.

'Enemies' were defined as anti-imperialist states or regimes with consistently critical independent foreign and domestic policies. 'Adversaries' occasionally sided with 'enemies', or tolerated policymakers who would not always conform to imperial policies. 'Competitors' supported the empire but had the capacity and opportunity to make lucrative trade deals with adversaries or enemies – Allies were states and leaders who generally supported imperial wars but might provide a forum condemning imperial war crimes (torture and drone attacks).

The ever-expanding technology of spying strengthens the police state. The list of targets is endless and bizarre. Nothing and no one will be missed!

In our opinion, as under capitalism, the growth of the spy state triggers crisis. With the inevitable rise of opposition, whistleblowers come forward to denounce the surveillance state. At its peak, spy-state over-reach leads to exposure, public scandals and threats from allies, competitors and adversaries. The rise of cyber-imperialism raises the specter of cyber-anti-imperialism.

New conceptions of inter-state relations and global configurations are debated and considered. World public opinion increasingly rejects the 'necessity' of police states. Popular disgust and reason exposes the evil logic of the spy-state based on empire and promotes a plural world of peaceful rival countries, functioning under co-operative policies – systems without empire, without spymasters and spies.

Having said that, it is important to understand the ironic difference between an 'impotent loathing' of a police state and an 'action-based onslaught' on its pillars and roots.

The foremost step in this struggle inevitably remains the ability of those fighting this war against global imperialism to unite with a narrative that transcends the boundaries of human division and provides a foundation to launch a non-violent revolutionary movement against the status quo.

It is our considered position that **this** narrative can be provided by Islam alone...

Signing off...

Dr. Absar Ahmad (Chief Editor)

**Press Releases issued by Tanzeem e Islami****Date: 26 January 2018****Lahore (PR): “US drone attacks are a clear and open violation and challenge to the sovereignty of Pakistan.”**

This was stated by the Ameer of Tanzeem e Islami, **Hafiz Aakif Saeed**, during the Khitab-e-Jumu'ah at Quran Academy, Lahore.

The Ameer noted that our Air Chief had recently stated that we would not tolerate any US drone attacks in the future and our forces will shoot down US drones violating our airspace. However, after the recent US drone attack inside our territory, we stuck to the usual condemnation without taking any practical action against the violation of our sovereignty. The Ameer questioned that if the US acted upon the tweet of President Donald Trump and became more aggressive in violating our territorial integrity, would our attitude towards that continue to remain apologetic and limited to lip service only.

While condemning the disturbing trend of extra-judicial killings by the police in Punjab and Sindh, the Ameer said that the phenomenon was nothing less than *Zulm* (oppression and corruption). He said that no matter how guilty an accused appeared to them, the law enforcement agencies of Pakistan ought not to take law into their own hands and must leave judgement and sentencing to the courts. He added that extra-judicial killing of an accused without giving the person a fair trial in court to prove innocence was a blatant violation of the requisites of justice. He remarked that Islam did not give the “right” of becoming judge, jury and executioner to our rulers. The Ameer said that giving punishment to an innocent person was a bigger evil than letting a guilty person off the hook. He said that our entire system had become outdated, rather paralyzed. He concluded by stating that it was our obligation to establish the genuine Islamic System, based on Fairness and Impartiality, so that cheap and inclusive justice could be made available to all.

Date: 19 January 2018**Lahore (PR): “The partnership between Hindu-extremist dominated India and Zionist Israel is a matter of grave concern for Pakistan.”**

This was stated by the Ameer of Tanzeem e Islami, **Hafiz Aakif Saeed**, during the Khitab-e-Jumu'ah at Quran Academy, Lahore.

The Ameer, while commenting on the on-going visit of Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu to India noted that the unprecedented six-day long visit of the Zionist PM to Hindu-extremist India, along with a hefty delegation containing over 200 entrepreneurs of Israeli firms, suggested that after knocking out its Arab opposition in the Middle East, the Zionist state had its eyes fixed on hurting nuclear Pakistan and said that both India and Israel wanted to take practical steps in this regard.

While commenting on the rant against the parliament made by certain political leaders, the Ameer remarked that while a couple of political leaders of Pakistan had used irresponsible and controversial words against the institution, which was neither warranted nor wise, yet the role of parliament too had to be scrutinized under a microscope to determine whether its performance in the past had been worthy of any praise. The institution of parliament was the one that had recently made the long-standing and agreed-upon position of Muslims on the issue of *Khatm-e-Nabuwat* controversial by legislating recklessly, he said. The Ameer noted that the parliament had previously tried to pave the way for profanity and vulgarity in the country by passing the *Huquq-e-Niswan Bill* (the so-called Women's' Rights Bill). He added that the same parliament had tried to legislate for the removal of Islamic content from the educational curriculum of Pakistan. He lamented that the parliament had not made any progress whatsoever towards the establishment of the Islamic System in Pakistan during our 71-year history. The Ameer concluded by stating that be it an individual or an institution, it is only the attitude, actions and performance that make one venerated or undignified in the eyes of others.