

## Headlines:

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## Details:

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Amidst the ongoing drama over political corruption, the Bajwa-Nawaz regime denounced a Supreme Court judge's statement likening the attorney general to a representative of the 'Sicilian mafia' on 1 June 2017. However, the greater threat is the American mafia, headed by David Hale, the US ambassador, who has been consistently meeting Bajwa and Nawaz and their go-betweens, throughout the prolonged Panama Papers' crisis.

Any change in Pakistan's leadership is decided by the US and is dependent on its Viceroy, the US ambassador. There is no change if the US is confident of its agents in the civilian and military leaderships being able to secure the US interests. In 1999, the US agent General Musharraf was allowed to seize power when it was clear that anger within the masses and the armed forces crippled Nawaz's ability to serve the US. Then when General Musharraf himself became the object of extreme anger and rejection, the US officials brokered a deal between their civilian agents, Zardari and Nawaz, for turn-by-turn politics, which has been played out since Musharraf's departure. And despite a library of corruption charges, Nawaz will stay as long as he can serve the US ably, without any challenge from General Bajwa for he has the same masters in Washington. This is why all of the US agents, civilian and military, attended the joint session of the parliament on 1 June to endorse Nawaz during the current political storm.

Pakistan's politics will remain within the rigid confines of serving US interests as long as it is chained to a non-Islamic system. It is this corrupt system that permits military and civilian leaders to bare our secrets to the US military and political officials and take instruction. It is this system that allows the US officials to issue demands for the civilian and military leaders to implement, regardless of their violation of the Quran and the Sunnah. For real change, there must be the re-establishment of the Khilafah on the Method of the Prophethood. Only then, will rulers be forbidden from entertaining emissaries from hostile colonialist states. Only then, will all laws be according to the Quran and Sunnah, cutting off the manipulation of law for colonialist interests from its basis. And only then will there be liberation from the American Raj with a regime that submits to the commands of Allah (swt), rather than submit and capitulate to our destructive enemies. Allah (swt) said, ﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَتَّخِذُوا عَدُوِّي وَعَدُوَّكُمْ أَوْلِيَاءَ تُلْفُونَ إِلَيْهِمْ بِالْمُودَةِ وَقَدْ كَفَرُوا بِمَا جَاءَكُمْ مِنَ الْحَقِّ﴾ **“O you who believe! Do not take My enemy and your enemy as allies, meeting them with softness. Indeed, they disbelieve in that which has come to you of truth.”** [Surah Al-Mumtahina 60: 1]

### **Fruit Boycott Movement Must Not Let Rulers off the Hook**

The concern over high prices of fruits in Ramadan, when consumption increases dramatically, has resulted in a national consensus calling for boycotting of purchase of fruit for three days, 2 June to 4 June 2017, to put pressure on vendors to bring down prices. The motivation behind participation in the ban varies. For some there is a genuine concern and wish for affordable fruits, for others social media inspired urban political activism which gives a sense of empowerment to the masses matters more. Yet for others a new urban ethic code of civic duty requires that social issues which effect the masses be adopted even if one is not personally impacted by it. Whatever the motivation, the call for boycott received a surprisingly high participation. This may actually be the first incident in which social media was successfully used to organize a national political event in Pakistan and indicates the growing power and influence of the medium in Pakistan's politics.

It is encouraging to see the Ummah engaged in political activity for politics is about taking care of the affairs of the Ummah whether they be its economic interests, security related interests, interests related to social and ruling issues and the like. The wider the engagement of the masses in issues

related to their affairs the more likely is it that they will be able to shape their societies according to their own wishes. However it must be understood that while the Ummah's awareness and engagement ensures that its interests are protected it would be a mistake to adopt mass political action as a default arrangement for protecting its interests. For it is in the nature of mass political action to be less frequent, prone to disagreements and division and difficult to muster due to the sheer energy required in energizing the society into collective action. The default arrangement for protecting the interests of the Ummah are through appointing rulers who look after the affairs of the Ummah where mass political action is directed against them in case they neglect their responsibility towards their people. This is how societies function. And this is what is missing in the fruit boycott movement. It is the rulers who are responsible for ensuring that prices are affordable for the masses during Ramadan and they must be held accountable for any failures on their part. And any mass political action therefore must be diverted towards them.

Islam puts the responsibility of taking care of the affairs of the people on the ruler where Muslims give bayah to a Khalifah who looks after their affairs based on Shariah law and the Ummah accounts him for any negligence in his implementation of Shariah or his responsibility towards the masses. Ibn 'Umar (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: «كلكم راع، وكلكم مسئول عن رعيته، والكل من راع على أهل بيته؛ والمرأة راعية على بيت زوجها وولده، فكلكم راع، وكلكم مسئول عن رعيته» **All of you are guardians and are responsible for your subjects. The ruler is a guardian of his subjects, the man is a guardian of his family, the woman is a guardian and is responsible for her husband's house and his offspring; and so all of you are guardians and are responsible for your subjects.** [Al-Bukhari and Muslim].

### **Civilian and Military Leadership's Criminal Silence Over US-Backed False Flag Attacks**

Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif on 7 June 2017 chaired a special meeting of the National Security Committee (NSC) of the Cabinet to review issues of national and regional security. It was a meeting of the entire civilian and military leadership. The meeting was attended by Minister of Defence Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister of Finance Ishaq Dar, Minister for Interior Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan, Adviser to PM on Foreign Affairs Sartaj Aziz, Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee Gen Zubair Mahmood Hayat, Chief of Army Staff Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa, Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal Sohail Aman, Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Zakaullah, DG ISI Lt Gen Naveed Mukhtar and senior civil and military officials. With the Kabul bomb attack that took dozens of lives and injured hundreds more in the backdrop, the meeting took special notice of Afghanistan's clearly-worded criticism over Pakistan's alleged involvement in the attack.

A statement issued after the meeting said Pakistan has not only remained committed to a peaceful and stable Afghanistan, but also worked with all regional and global initiatives to that end. At the same time, the participants of the meeting held that Pakistan has shown exceptional restraint even when Afghan territory was used for terrorist acts in Pakistan, which resulted in extreme human losses.

It can be seen clearly that the civilian and military leadership are on the same page when it comes to the US narrative on "terrorism." They use it to justify their support for the US demand for our armed forces to crush the tribal resistance. Moreover, it is significant that they accuse India of "terrorism" but silent over the US role in the same. This is even though it is an open secret that terrorism in the Afghanistan-Pakistan region is not only by India's RAW but also the US's intelligence agencies, the CIA and FBI. As the former ISI Chief Asad Durrani wrote on 6 March 2017 regarding terrorism, "America has not only been the leading perpetrator, but also its main beneficiary." John Woo, a law professor at UC Berkley, former Department of Justice lawyer who provided justifications for Bush's post 9-11 policies, wrote for the Los Angeles Times on 13 July 2005 that, "Another tool would have our intelligence agencies create a false terrorist organization." On 30 January 2013, former FBI contractor, Sibel Deniz Edmonds, exposed the FBI's "Operation Gladio B" in which the FBI organized false flag operations using infiltration tactics in Central Asia. And besides from these glaring facts regarding the US's direct involvement in terrorism, indirectly it is responsible for RAW-sponsored attacks, because it granted RAW a foothold in Afghanistan.

The current civilian and military leadership will never turn against the US because they have accepted it as their master. Despite institutional tussles between the two arms of the Bajwa-Nawaz regime, both are devoted to the criminal pursuit of US interests, regardless of the destruction that is unleashed on our armed forces and citizenry.