

The Shanghai Cooperation Organization is Part of the American World Order

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On 17 October 2024, the US State Department spokesman Mathew Miller commented on the meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, saying, “So the United States respects each country’s sovereign right to associate in groupings of its own choosing. We would encourage every country to ensure that its participation in multilateral fora upholds and respects international law, and reaffirms the sovereignty, territorial integrity, and independence of all nations.” [[state.gov](https://www.state.gov)]

Comment:

The State Department Spokesman was accurate in saying that “participation in multilateral fora upholds and respects international law.” All international organizations, treaties and conventions of today fall within the American international order and its international law. Washington does not allow any organization to exist outside of its influence. Even though the United Nations is an effective tool of American foreign policy, Washington created additional organizations to further its interests. By means of example, through the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QUAD), the United States encircled China from the Indian and Pacific Oceans. As an example, Washington uses the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) to maintain its dominance over Europe, and to pressure Russia. This approach prevents the other veto-wielding powers from creating a check on American power. The Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) also falls within the American order, and operates within its rules.

Russia initially established the Shanghai Cooperation Organization with China to guard against America’s encroachment into the Central Asia region, which Moscow considered its sphere of influence. After the Russian people lost confidence in the false ideology of socialism, they remained deprived of a strong ideological underpinning for the society. The Russian state seeks acknowledgment as a major geopolitical power, on par with the United States. However, it largely confines itself to restraints of the existing international order. As for China, following America’s strategy of integrating the Chinese economy into the Western economic structure, its foreign policy now beholden to its economic interests. That is why China prioritized its economic interests in its relationship with Russia, during the ongoing Russia-Ukraine conflict. The result is that the Shanghai Cooperation Organization is weightless, despite its potential. The reason is that Russia and China established the SCO to create a sphere of influence for themselves, while remaining under the American order and international law.

As for Pakistan, it is a tool for American foreign policy because its rulers are agents of America. The rulers of Pakistan engage in the Shanghai Cooperation

Organization exactly as Washington allows them to. Currently, they are tasked with ensuring that Pakistan does not pose any challenge to the American regional plan, which is Indian dominance in order to challenge China and the Muslims of the region. They also bind themselves to a regional organization in the east that is built on nationalism, and the concept of nation states, just as the rulers of the Arabs bind themselves to the Arab League in the west. The concept of nation states prevents the unification of Muslims as one powerful Khilafah (Caliphate) state, whilst it ensures the occupation of Muslim lands by the enemies of the Ummah.

Hizb ut Tahrir has detailed in its “Introduction to the Constitution,” why Muslims are not allowed to submit to the American world order. It states, “The United Nations is established upon the basis of the Capitalist system, which is a system of Kufr, above and beyond which it is a tool in the hands of the major powers, particularly America, which exploits it for the sake of imposing its influence over the smaller nations, which the current states in the Islamic World are a part of.”

In the same publication, Hizb ut Tahrir also explained why Muslims are not allowed to be part of regional organizations, such as the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the Arab League, which are built on the nation state, stating, “The Arab League is established upon the basis of the Capitalist system, and it explicitly mentions in its constitution that it is to protect the independence of the Arab states, in other words, the protection of the separation and division of the Islamic lands, which is prohibited.”

Pakistan itself being a nuclear power, possessing a strong and capable military and a big Islam-loving population, has the ability to unify the Muslims of South and Central Asia. This is the way forward that will restore the dignity and prestige of the Islamic Ummah. Everything else is another subjugation. The people of power in Pakistan must reject all tools and frameworks that keep the Ummah divided, and rush to establish the Khilafah that will unify the Islamic Ummah. The security structure the US has built is to protect its interests through the international order. The soon-to-be established Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) state will provide a foundation for a new and just global order. Allah (swt) warned, **﴿مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ اتَّخَذُوا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ أَوْلِيَاءَ كَمَثَلِ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ اتَّخَذَتْ بَيْتًا وَإِنَّ أَوْهَنَ الْبُيُوتِ لَبَيْتُ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ لَوْ كَانُوا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾** **“The example of those who take allies other than Allah is like that of the spider who takes a home. And indeed, the weakest of homes is the home of the spider, if they only knew.”** [Surah Al-Ankabut 29:41].

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