

Press Release

## Russia is on the front line of the war against Islam

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of October 2015, there were recurrent mass arrests of the members of Hizb ut Tahrir in Moscow. Security services reported the detention of nearly 100 people and arrest of more than 20 of them on accusation of terrorism, and they also widely spread the video in the media of the process of searches. In the recording, it shows security services officers arrogantly and haughtily treating the detained Muslims, humiliating and insulting them. The video clearly shows that the only "terrorist" evidence found in the searches is nothing but books published by Hizb ut Tahrir!

A few days later on October 23 at the security services' suggestion, Russian media again broke out "the sensation" of the arrest of "the leader of the Moscow cell of Hizb ut Tahrir". A video of the pronouncement of a preventive punishment against the detained Muslims spread throughout the media of the entire country. All this happened on October 21<sup>st</sup> one day after the performance the authorities called "preventing terrorist attack organized by militants of ISIS" and after the release of the media citing some sources in the security services reported that militants of ISIS were members of Hizb ut Tahrir.

It is obvious that the Russian regime is taking all these actions against the background of its criminal operations in Syria, where since the end of September it joined an open war on the side of the criminal tyrant Bashar al-Assad, and launched massive bombing of the rebels and civilians. Putin wants to show his people and to the whole world that he is forced to dispatch troops to Syria to defend them and deliver preemptive strike at so-called "terrorists" who "threaten the security of Russia and all other countries" and that is why the Kremlin needed urgently "to prevent terrorist attacks" in addition to the mass arrests of "terrorists" in the Russian capital.

The Russian regime is trying to hide its true motive behind big words and slogans. But the regime won't be able to conceal its real role, because Russian weapons are attacking innocent women, children and the elderly of Syria, protecting Assad the killer of half a million Muslims, just for the sake of Russian geopolitical interests and its desire to please America, hoping that the Ukrainian crisis will be forgotten and "forgiven." Putin seems to be deluded by his role in the American-led orchestra that he shamelessly calls himself as "a dove of peace". "I am a dove, but I have very strong iron wings!" he said in Sochi earlier. (Russia Today, 10/24/2015)

The Russian authorities fully understand that Hizb ut Tahrir bears no relation to the organization of ISIS whatsoever, or that the Hizb has any relation to terrorist explosions or to any other ways of using material (physical) methods. However, the criminals in the Kremlin continue to lie, being unable to oppose Hizb ut Tahrir ideologically or politically. They boldly and shamelessly accuse Hizb ut Tahrir of terrorism, hoping to justify to the public the most severe repression of members of Hizb ut Tahrir.

Russia is fighting Islam, both on its territory and in Syria. It possesses powerful security services, massive army and high-technology weaponry. However, Russia has no protection of the Lord of the worlds, which Muslims have, as it has neither promises nor glad tidings of the forthcoming victory that Muslims will have. The Russian authorities have gone on the warpath against Islam and Muslims, assuming they are able to do whatever they want, but in truth, all their efforts are futile. The Muslims of Russia would never give up their religion, even the pressure on Islam of tsarist Russia at first and of the Soviet Union afterwards could not fight to eliminate Islam, but it seems that the present rulers have not learned the lesson for the continuers of traditions of Ivan the Terrible and Stalin. As the shameful result of the invasion of Afghanistan was not a deterrent for a lesson for Putin too, and now he is trying to invade Syria, and *bi'thin Allah* he will suffer the same fate that befell his predecessors - shame and humiliation in this life and in the Hereafter. Allah Almighty said: ﴿وَسَيَعْلَمُ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا أَيَّ مُنْقَلَبٍ يَنْقَلِبُونَ﴾ **"And the wrongdoers will soon know at what goal they will end up"** [TMQ 26: 227].

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