

# The Islamic Truth



## TRUTH - THE FIRST CASUALTY OF SECULAR WAR

*Without following the path of Muhammad(saw), are we really believing Muslims?*

“Warfare is ordained for you, though you dislike it; but it may happen that you dislike a thing which is good for you, and it may happen that you love a thing which is bad for you. Allah knows, you know not.” [TMQ 2:216]

### Warfare by secular nations

The objective of secular warfare is always the economic exploitation of one people over another. This can be seen throughout the history of secular nations, till the present day. In the following account it can be seen that as the motive was material exploitation, the lives of ‘natives’ were immaterial

The opening of a sea route around Southern Africa in 1488 and the invasion of America in 1492, in which millions of Native Americans were slaughtered, marked the beginning of a bloody chapter in colonialist warfare. The Portuguese ‘expanded’ westward to Brazil and eastward to the Indian Ocean.

The Portuguese ‘traded’ without competition until other secular nations began to move in on their monopoly. So, the late 19th and early 20th centuries saw new expansionist powers fight for material gains; namely Germany, the United States, Belgium and Italy. Russia, another new colonial power, expanded overland (as did the United States), displacing indigenous cultures. Russia penetrated Siberia, the Far East, the Caucasus, and Asia as far as the Korean coastline but was stopped by the Russo-Japanese War (1905). Western Europe began the partitioning of China with the Opium Wars, waged by Britain to protect British merchants who were exporting opium from India to China. After the Treaty of Nanking (1842), France, the United States, and Russia secured similar treaties of entry.

In this way secular nations fought for material exploitation, leaving shattered ‘natives’ in their wake. All that is left of this sorry saga are sanitised accounts in ‘European History’. Adding insult to injury, many modern Western theorists see these wars as part of a necessary ‘imperialist’ stage in the development of advanced Capitalist countries, the ‘Developed World’ of to-

day. Indeed this is what happened, though the unfortunate ‘natives’ would take issue as to whether it was ‘necessary’. ‘Trading companies’, such as the East India Company, bled these lands dry of their abundant resources so that their patrons may enjoy lavish life-styles; robbing the natives of a chance to build their own future and reducing them to a situation where they would be ever dependent on the ‘Developed World’, as is seen to the present day. Today, the I.M.F., World Bank and foreign multinationals are the successors to the ‘trading companies’ of old.

Still unrepentant, they continue till this day to fight for this most base of objectives. They lost millions of their own sons and daughters in the quest for material gain in two World Wars. In the post World War era, Muslims are painfully aware of the most tragic example of secular warfare. In the Persian Gulf War of 1991, half a million Muslims were buried under carpet-bombing, millions more dying through the devastation it left behind. Of this war’s objective US Senator Bob Dole tersely stated ‘if Kuwait grew carrots no one would have bothered’.

After such volumes of evidences, it can be seen that the motive for secular war is purely material exploitation of one people by another. Therefore, it is not surprising that they attempt to hide it behind a façade of facifism.

### Jihad establishing Islam’s mercy to humankind

After such rivers of blood in the name of greed, jihad provides a startling contrast. Allah (swt) revealed, “And we have sent you (O Muhammad (saw)), not, but as a mercy to humankind.” [TMQ 21:107]

This and other evidences establish the principle that Islam has been revealed by Allah (swt) to dominate throughout the whole world. This is the sole motive for jihad. There is no issue of one nation dominating another for material exploitation. This objective was made very clear to the other nations. In one letter to the superpower of the time, the Roman Empire, it was clear that the objective was to establish the supremacy of Islam. Muhammad (saw) said, “In the Name of Allah (swt), ar-Rahman, ar-Raheem. From Muhammad (saw) servant and Messenger of Allah (swt) to Heraclius Emperor of Rome. Peace be upon those who follow the Guidance. I invite you to Islam, accept Islam, you will be safe, Allah will grant you two-fold reward, if you turn away, the sin of (the wrongdoings of) all the people will be upon you.”

The offer came for the Non-Muslims to live as citizens of the Islamic State. By accepting this offer, they would live under the protection

of Islam, free from exploitation, because the objective was that Islam dominates, not that a particular people were dominant over another. If this was refused, it was then that warfare took place, with the Muslims taking the initiative. As such the jihad was offensive by its nature, like that waged against the Romans in Tabuk and Mut’ah. Indeed the Prophet (saw) took part in thirteen expeditions and eleven major battles, which were offensive.

## The Global Economy - Who’s?

Creating a global economy means generating a destructive development pattern, which in turn requires the conversion of the still largely rural populations of the Third World into consumers of capital-intensive goods and services. It is vital for ‘development’ that everyone, everywhere, should crave the material wealth of the affluent Western life-style; as beamed into homes across the world by advertisers and American TV companies - a life-style which can only be satisfied at great social and ecological cost.

Ironically, even the worshippers of free trade have produced little evidence that it is of any great value to humanity as a whole. World trade has increased by eleven times since 1950 and economic growth by five times, yet during this same period there has been an unprecedented increase in poverty, unemployment, social disintegration and environmental destruction.

Yet even if all were to crave that lifestyle, all could not live it. It has been calculated that if every country in the world were to consume as much per capita as the USA, the environmental impact of our global economic activities would be 16 times what it is today. In terms of the strain this would put on the world’s ecosystems, this is clearly impossible, but the directors of large transnational corporations, and their front men in the governments of the West, would have us believe otherwise.

Western governments and international, transnational corporations plan to destroy our world by using terms such as consumerism, capitalism, aided by tools such as the Internet, WTO (World Trade Organisation), NAFTA, and funded by the IMF, World Bank, European Community, British Commonwealth which leads mankind to an apocalyptic end, especially when oil and gas reserves run out in 2025. Western countries think only about their own survival, and have been raping the earth of its natural resources for its own end. Even as you read this, the US is filling underground caverns in the Nevada Desert with oil stolen from the Middle East and Britain has signed contracts worth billions for gas reserves in Pakistan. The capitalist companies of the west a carrying out a level of destruction that will take the ecosystems millenniums to recover or never again. In the mean-

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# **Pakistan Premier deposed - What's really going on?**

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On Tuesday the 12th of October General Pervaiz Musharraf deposed Nawaz Sharif placing him under house arrest. The changeover went smoothly with little international comment except from the British commonwealth nations that roundly condemned the move. The US, turning a blind eye, made bland statements that they hope for a return to democracy. Amid the changeover several facts are clear.

Pakistan which has endured military rule for close to half of its years as a state is still no closer to Islam than it was in 1947 when it was founded upon a British drafted secular constitution.

It is this same military that removed Nawaz previously and endorsed his return.

Whilst it is true that the army was seething over the decision of Nawaz Sharif to engineer their withdrawal from Kashmir in the recent conflict with India, we should not assume that this is the only factor in the change of leadership.

We are not at all surprised when the military remove Pakistani Prime Ministers, it has happened several times in Pakistan's short history. Whilst Islam does indeed require us to remove the corrupt leaders that are not applying Islam, the Ummah in Pakistan are being fed a constant diet of "non-Islamic" kufr systems. Military spokesman Colonel Rashid Qurashi stated the rationale for the change: to remove the corruption and apply "good governance". In his maiden speech Musharraf also made exhaustive mention of his desire to return to democracy which is rather ironic given his haste to use un-democratic means to come to power!. That democracy is the antithesis of Islam is of little concern to another pragmatic general that is playing the popular discontent against corruption to cement his position. His speech made little mention of Islam, other than his rather vague attack against so called elements that "are exploiting religion for vested interest and bringing a bad name to our faith". He went on to say: "Islam teaches tolerance, not hatred; universal brotherhood and not enmity; peace and not violence; progress and not bigotry. I have great respect for the Ulema and expect them to come forth and present Islam in its true light." So in addition to being a guardian against corruption Musharraf assumes the mantle of protector of the faith, again ironic when we also consider his glowing statements to the Turkish media about another usurper of power Mustafa Kemal

when speaking of his admiration for him and his "modernising" cause. Musharraf said: "As a model, Kemal Attaturk did a great deal for Turkey. I have his biography. We will see what I can do for Pakistan". Indeed. There can truly be no worst example for Muslims.

So why the change of government? The withdrawal from Kargil in Kashmir was a major climbdown from a position of great strength. The Indian army had suffered large losses and was ill prepared for the Muslim offensive. The withdrawal by Nawaz Sharif definitely came as a gift for Indian Prime Minister Vajpayee of the BJP in his election campaign against the pro-British Congress party. So Nawaz Sharif succeeded in strengthening Vajpayee in the face of the Congress party as a result of his actions. This brings into question why the US would move against their obedient servant Sharif following Kargil

In answer to this one can see the action as quelling the discontent and humiliation caused to the military by the action and its potential to cause a destabilisation of the pro US Pakistan, so simply Sharif became a convenient scapegoat and a good lesson for any that think they can benefit from such close relations with the US.

That the changeover was effected with a minimum of fuss indicates that we have in effect little real change in Pakistan, and are certainly no closer to: "the rule with what Allah has revealed". All the while the Ummah remains in waiting for a leader that wishes to emulate a Haroon ar-Rasheed or Omar ibn al Khattab rather than a Mustafa Kamal.

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## **Breaking News! - Chechnya**

Paddy Ashdown, "Is there a country in the West or the East that is willing to send its military forces into Chechnya?" - responding to a question posed on BBC2 Newsnight programme. Mr. Ashdown was commenting on why Britain or the US were reluctant to send troops under a UN mandate as peace keepers in Chechnya. He said, "We will not send in our men while there is a threat to their lives, as public opinion will be against our presence in the region.

It is quite clear Mr. Ashdown's comments reflect the position of western countries opposed to helping Muslims, these include the US and members of the EU, the United Nations, World Bank and the infamous International Monetary Fund. Especially when their master plan is to displace Muslims who pose a threat to their globalisation plans. We have all

heard accounts of atrocities being inflicted upon our Muslim brothers and sisters in Bosnia. While our Muslim sisters were being raped by the Serbian militia, civilians and military forces, the UN composed of Pakistani and Egyptian troops stood by and looked the other way. The same occurred in Kosovo and now very soon again in Montenegro. If you are wondering why? Its quite simple, the Muslims are waking up to their obligations to re-establish the Khilafah (Islamic State). This state once established will be a protective shield for Muslims, encompassing one leader for all Muslims worldwide. The Kufur countries in the West and the puppet leaders ruling in the Muslim lands are working day and night to stop the re-emergence of the Khilafah state, the state as foretold by our prophet Muhammad(saw). Muslims in Britain must support those sincere Muslims working to re-establish the Islamic state by their voice, financially and then finally physically. Muslims worldwide have a duty according to the Qur'an and Sunnah(saw), to build on their Aqeeda and be part of the revival of the Khilafah (Islamic State). A word of warning, Muslims that neglect their duty will obtain humiliation both in this worldly life and in the hereafter.

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time the road ahead looks bleak for the poorest countries in the world. Allah(swt) has bestowed the Muslim lands with natural resources - Why are these countries poor, deprived, and malnourished?

A political system for more than 1300 years gave dignity to mankind by protecting their property, providing basic needs, services and a swift justice system where you are innocent until proven guilty. Natural resources that Allah(swt) provided for humanity is managed by the state and provided to all and not owned by individuals. The return of the Islamic State (Khilafah) is round the corner. Upon its return, Muslims and Non-Muslims throughout the world will see a side of humanity that brings people all over the world together. Working towards a greater understanding of humanity's relationship with their Creator, the universe, our world, its ecosystems and more importantly with each other. A harmonious relationship which will allow humanity to rise above that which we acknowledge today. Muslims must learn about their duty to be part of the Ummah that will work to re-establish the Khilafah.