

## As-Sahab Foundation: The Statements of Waliur Rehman and Hakimullah Mehsud Released on: October 22, 2009

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[Speaker: Waliur Rehman]

"Praised be Allah, and prayer and peace be upon he, save for whom there is no other prophet;"

"I seek the protection of Allah from Satan, the rejected one'...reverence Allah, through whom ye demand your mutual (rights), and (reverence) the wombs (That bore you): for Allah ever watches over you' [Surat Al-Nisa'a 1]. Our heartbeats and those of our friends were disrupted by the death of our leader Baitullah Mehsud, may Allah have mercy upon him, but the Jihad is keen until the Day of Resurrection, and even if calamities strike us, we are not ready to abandon the path of the Jihad and we will pray to Allah the Exalted that He will grant us success in raising the word of the religion."

"After the death of our leader, I was chosen by the Shura council as a leader of the Mehsud tribe, and alongside the military responsibility that is placed on our shoulders there is another responsibility, which is to explain: Why do we fight against Pakistan?"

"The leader of the Pakistani Taliban movement, the Mullah Hakimullah Mehsud will explain this to you, so let him have the honor!"

[Speaker: Hakimullah Mehsud]

"Praised be Allah and prayer and peace be upon the apostle of Allah;"

"Allah the Exalted said: 'I have only created Djinn and men that they may serve me' [Surat Al-Dharyat 56]."

"To the honorable listeners:

Allah the Praised and Exalted has sent the prophets, peace be upon them, with the goal of lighting up the straight path for the human kind. Establishing the Islamic Caliphate upon the face of the earth is the responsibility of the human kind, and in order to achieve this goal, Allah the Praised and Exalted has sent Muhammad, may Allah bless him and grant him salvation, in order to guide the human kind through him. Allah the Praised and Exalted has sent down upon his prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him salvation, the Koran – that same book that whoever doubts its truth is considered as an infidel."



"Allah the Praised and Exalted has ordered his prophet Muhammad, may He bless him and grant him salvation, in the Koran: 'O Messenger, rouse the Believers to the fight...' [Surat Al-Anfal 65], so he, may Allah bless him and grant him salvation, has roused the believers to do that, and in order to do that, the prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him salvation, has fought several fights, in one of which his jaw was injured and many of the companions were killed. Their reason of asking for martyrdom was to do what was written in the book of Allah the Mighty and Great – Allah the Blessed and Exalted says: 'Fighting is prescribed for you...' [Surat Al-Baqarah 216,246] and the fighting was decreed, like He said: '...Fasting is prescribed to you...' [Surat Al-Baqarah 183], so much like the fasting was decreed, Allah the Blessed and Exalted has decreed for the believers to fight."

"My Muslim brothers!

The Jihad becomes an individual duty in several cases, and there is a Fatwa, agreed by the scholars that if a single meter of the lands of the Muslims is conquered, the Jihad becomes an individual duty. So what would we say, when today we do not speak about one meter, but about the entire Islamic world that has come to be at the grip of the enemies of Islam – Afghanistan, Kashmir, Iraq, Palestine, Chechnya!"

"The Muslims from big to small, men and women, are prisoners of the infidels – much like Dr. 'Aafiya Sadiqi, who is our sister in Islam, is in prison in the USA, bound with chains, so due to these reasons, if the scholars of truth make a Fatwa, they will make it practically in favor of the Jihadi action."

"O honorable listeners!

Everybody believes today that the movement of the Taliban is the enemy of the state and that they are agents of foreign countries but this is not true. We are not enemies of the state or agents of foreign countries – we are the sons of this land, we are part of you and you are part of us. History is a witness that we are the sons of the free tribes, and that we have sacrificed much for the sake of Pakistan and for the sake of free Kashmir, and today we are accused of being agents of foreign countries, and this is not true."

"If the army, by the order of the USA, makes attacks in Waziristan and in Swat, Bajaur, Mohmand, Orakzay Agency and Derat Adam Khail, and destroys Hafsa university and Lal mosque [i.e. the Red Mosque, found in Islamabad], than this would be called "the interest of nationality", while we, who in pursuance of the book of Allah the Blessed and Exalted protect your souls and your money, and we protect the scholars of the nation and sacrifice much on behalf of this, have become "agents of foreign countries", and this is distressing."

"We call the reasonable people among the Pakistani people to come to us and sit with us and after that let them judge before the Lord, who are the agents of foreign countries?! We or the Pakistani government!"

"We return to our question, which is 'why do we fight the Pakistani government?'

Many people have doubts about the rightness of our fighting against the Pakistani army, but Allah the Praised and Exalted says in the perfect book He has sent down: 'O ye who believe! Take not the Jews and the Christians for your friends and protectors: They are but friends and protectors to each other. And he amongst you that turns to them (for friendship) is of them...' [Surat Al-Maedah 51], and this is the reason that we fight!"

"We have two conditions to stop the fighting against the Pakistani army:

1. The Pakistani army must stop working for the USA and sever all the agreements and treaties with it.
2. The establishing of the law and the borders of Allah in the country."

"We are not enemies of Pakistan or the people of Pakistan; this is an unjust and oppressing regime, and an illegitimate and infidel regime. It is the same regime that has sold Dr. 'Aafiya Sadiqi to the Americans for a handful of dollars; it is the same regime that humiliates anyone who says the word of truth, even if he is an honorable citizen of the state, and you have before you a clear example of Dr. 'Abd Al-Qadir Khan who has manufactured an atomic bomb for an Islamic state as well as missiles, and now he is being humiliated and put in the darkness of prison and this was called "the interest of nationalism". Remember that this is not for the sake of the country but for the sake of pleasing the USA."





"I want to ask the Pakistanis: who is the honorable citizen, Musharraf [former president of Pakistan] or Dr. 'Abd Al-Qadir Khan? Zardari [current president of Pakistan] or Dr. 'Abd Al-Qadir Khan? To anyone that will answer that the honorable citizen is Dr. 'Abd Al-Qadir Khan: So why is a man like him being humiliated and subjugated? This is the same country that stripped itself from all the treaties and humiliated the Mullah 'Abd Al-Salam Dha'if and extradited him to the USA."

"With the help of Allah, we will fight against all those affiliated with this regime, this army, this police, and this militia - until this regime will disappear."

"However, if the Pakistani regime severs the contracts with the USA and establishes the law of Allah in the country, then in this case we will head towards the border with India and devote ourselves to fight the Hindus who have killed our Muslim brothers in Haidarabad and Kashmir, and shed the blood of the Mujahideen."

"And our cry is the cry for which many scholars were killed, which is that the meaning of Pakistan is that there is no god save for Allah, and we want that Pakistan will return to its roots."

"In order to speak about the current regime in Pakistan, which is an infidel regime, I call our Mullah Waliur Rehman, leader of the Mahsoud tribe to speak about the uncertainties in the permission to fight the current regime in Pakistan."

[Mullah Waliur Rehman]

"Praised be Allah and prayer and peace be upon he save for whom there is no prophet;"

"I seek the protection of Allah from Satan, the rejected one 'Wert thou to follow the common run of those on earth, they will lead thee away from the way of Allah...' [Surat Al-An'aam 116], and the apostle of Allah, may He bless him and grant him salvation, said: 'Each one of you is shepherd. And each one of you will be asked about your flock', or the way he said it. The honorable leader, the Mullah Hakeem Allah has explained to you in detail the reason that has propelled us to fight the leaders, governments, institutions and the army of the current regime, and what are our goals."

"What is left to say about the current regime and the fact that it is a republican regime is the subject of a long research, but I will mention here several summarized comments:

There are two conditions that should be met for this regime to be Islamic –the first of them is that the leaders will be from among the Muslims, and this is an important matter. The second condition is the necessity of implementing the laws of the Islamic Shari'ah. These are two important conditions for the regime to be Islamic."





"However, it seems that Pervez, Zardari and Kiyani have sold many of the Arab brothers, immigrants and Pakistanis to the USA, so how can these be from among the Muslims, alongside with their seeking a decision from places of infidel worship and their devotion to serve the enemies of the religion?! They have committed many atrocities against thousands of Muslims, so we cannot consider them as Muslims in any case whatsoever.

As for the second matter, which is the Islamism of the regime, everybody agrees – even our brothers from the Islamic factions who are part of the government - that the current regime is not an Islamic regime, so naturally, if a regime is not Islamic, and then it is infidel. It should be noted that until now, many people hesitate to describe this regime as infidel, so if it is not Islamic - which is what the public agrees upon – then it is clear that it is a regime from the leftovers of the English occupation, and today the Shari'ah is not implemented in Pakistan but only an English regime, and the republican regime is definitely infidel."

"As for the laws that were made by humans, which are widespread throughout the country, we cannot describe them at all as Islamic laws."

"And another thing is the usury, which is considered declaring a war against Allah and His apostle, may He bless him and grant him salvation, and this is the way of life of this regime."

"Furthermore, I will make special mention here of the law that was recently legislated about women rights (and not only that) – all the scholars have agreed that it is not related to Islam. Therefore, I say that the Islamic Shari'ah is a complete system, while the republican regime is a system that was created by humans."

"Therefore, there are two regimes and two laws:

1. The law of Allah, which is the Islamic Shari'ah.
2. The law of humans that can also be described as republican."

"Humans pass laws and then cancel them by themselves, but the law of Allah is the Shari'ah and it cannot be changed or substituted or sent back."

"As for the republic, I read to you the words of Allah, the Blessed and exalted: 'Wert thou to follow the common run of those on earth, they will lead thee away from the way of Allah. They follow nothing but conjecture: they do nothing but lie' [Surat Al-An'aam 116] and Allah the Blessed and Exalted has mentioned clearly in this verse the rejection of 'the republic' and ordered us not to go after the multitudes. Many scholars from the Indian mainland have issued a Fatwa – among them is our Mullah Ashraf 'Ali Tahanawi and our Mullah 'Ali Al-Dinawi and our Mullah 'Ataa' Allah

Shah Bukhari and our Mullah 'Abd Al-Rahman Jilaani and other scholars

– according to which, the republic is a regime that contradicts Islam and there is no doubt that the republic is a second regime that collides with Islam."

"As for this republican regime, it is a strange thing, for it demands us to participate in this regime in Pakistan, Afghanistan, Somalia and sometimes in Iraq. We pray to Allah, and we want to implement the Islamic Shari'ah and we want that it will rule Pakistan alone, and only by the rule of Allah, and we do not want that another parliament will rise and pass other laws like it happens in London and Europe. Furthermore, a law was issued in Europe recently that allows the marriage of homosexuals – the Human regime has no shame and no moral precepts. It is always colliding with Islam and they cannot come to an agreement. Allah the exalted said: 'And fight them on until there is no more tumult or oppression, and there prevail justice and faith in Allah altogether and everywhere...' [Surat Al-Anfal 39], and we can describe this regime as a tumult."

"Several brothers have demanded from us to put down our weapons and that we will take part with them in this road. How can we do that when we consider this regime an infidel regime?! We cannot fight infidelity when we are allied with it, but we can defeat it only when we are outside of this rule. 'And fight them on until there is no more tumult or oppression, and there prevail justice and faith in Allah altogether and everywhere...' [Surat Al-Anfal 39]. The apostle of Allah, may He bless him and grant him salvation, said: "I was ordered to fight the people until they will say that there is no god saves for Allah" – these Jews and the Christians are our enemies, so how can we fight them while we participate in their regime?"

"And there remains only one way, and the zeal and enthusiasm demand that also, that we will rise and fight until this tumult will end."

"I want to return to the subject and the question – what do we want to achieve through ending this regime?"

"Allah the exalted said: '(They are) those who, if We establish them in the land, establish regular prayer and give regular charity, enjoin the right and forbid wrong...' [Surat Al-Hajj 41]. This verse explains what we ought to do if Allah does not strengthen us, which is to fulfill all the duties and rites of Islam. This is the intention of the Shari'ah – to 'enjoin the right' is to establish the rule of Allah and to 'forbid wrong' is to fight the enemies of Islam."

"In conclusion:

We should act by the Islamic Shari'ah and we should make others follow this path also, which is enjoining the right and forbidding the wrong. We should be concerned with education and reform of the Muslims according to the system of the Shari'ah. As for the way to be rid of the manmade courthouses and their police, which were established by the English regime, it would be through the

implementation of the Shari'ah, because there are Shar'i judges and scholars, and this is not an impossible thing to do. The commander of the faithful, the Mullah Muhammad 'Omar, has raised a living example for the entire world, and our brothers in Swat have raised the same regime that did not astonish these malicious men and they began to incite the people against them and distort their image in the media and after that they have declared war against them. If it was not for that, then Swat would have been today another example of implementing the Shari'ah. They have given many sacrifices for that, as have done the tribesmen and the Pakistani, and we cannot leave this matter behind."

"We demand from all the Pakistanis and the Muslims all around the world not to think of the hero and zealous Mujahideen according to what is published in the media about them – that they are terrorists, etc. But they are men that have followed the Sunna of the apostle, may Allah bless him and grant him salvation, and they are the people that went out to sacrifice their money and their souls on behalf of Allah."

"If Allah wills it, history will confirm that these people are not terrorists but heroes of Islam and soldiers who are prepared to sacrifice their lives for Islam, and on the other hand, that whoever claims to adhere to Islam, such as the army and the Pakistani government, will be remembered in history as traitors and agents of the infidels. With the permission of Allah and for any price, we will protect our glory and honor and the enthusiasm of our religion, and with the permission of Allah we will perform the Shari'ah in Pakistan to the last drop of our blood, and this will be our motto, and we will rescue the people from the republican regime that hurts them."

"It is not difficult for Allah, and our last claim is that praised be Allah, Master of the Worlds."