## Ramadan Is the Month of Change, Jihad and Victories



In the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

Praise be to Allah Who has brought us to the holy month of Ramadan, the month of fasting and the revelation of the Holy Quran, and the month of mercy and victory; and blessings and peace be upon his messenger, the imam of the mujahideen, whom He sent as mercy to the worlds, and upon his kinsfolk, companions, and followers:

To the peoples of our Islamic nation across the whole world:

I have the pleasure to congratulate you all on the advent of the holy month of Ramadan, the month of repentance and forgiveness, and of jihad and victories. It is a month that instills in the nation a spirit of hope to regain its lost status. The month of Ramadan also reminds us that major transformations and change begin from the depths of the hearts of believers before they become a tangible reality on the ground. Allah Almighty says in Surat Al<sup>-</sup>Raad: { ... Allah will not change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves...} (Al<sup>-</sup>Raad: 11). Ramadan is a month in which souls are purified; as it is a month in which the will and determination for jihad are boosted.

## Ramadan, the Month of Victories:

The Battle of Badr occurred in Ramadan, and the conquest of Makkah took place in Ramadan. Also, in Ramadan, the Tatars were crushed in the Battle of Ain Jalut; and the Zionists were defeated in the glorious October War (1973 AD) – on the 10th. of Ramadan (1393 AH). Let the month of Ramadan be a season of jihad in the fields of reform and change, jihad against the desires of the self and the excesses of the passion, jihad in resisting injustice and tyranny, as well as jihad in conveying the message of Islam powerfully and consistently, until the nation regains its

dignity and status.

To the young men and women of our nation:

You stand at the forefront of the nation, as you are the hope for the coming change; and with your hands the future will be drawn. Hold on to your religion and be proud of your identity. Do not be deceived by falsehood, taking into mind that the rise of falsehood one day does not mean that it is right (true), but it is so due to the absence of the people of the right. Allah Almighty says in Surat Al-Imran: {So do not weaken and do not grieve, and you will be superior if you are [true] believers.} (Al-Imran: 139).

So be of those noble and dutiful people, who struggle to correct the people when they fall into corruption, and who defend the borders of Islam, where Islam will never be hurt from your side. You should take the lead in promoting the status of Allah's religion, should people abandon it. Be the heirs of the prophets and the loyal conveyors of the message of Islam; and make Ramadan a season of )spiritual and faith—based( provision.

As for the Muslim woman:

The Muslim woman is a factory for producing men, who has a great role in upbringing generations, and the partner in Allah's reward for the jihad. Here, I hope that you will make Ramadan a season for the family to gather around the table of the Quran, to instill the love of Allah and His Messenger, the support for His religion, being jealous for His sanctities, pledging to remain steadfast on the path of guidance, and bearing the burden of the nation's affairs – for the great leaders in the history of our nation were raised by great mothers. Our nation is in essential need for a generation that is characterized by faith, complete purity, and manhood, to restore the glory of the first Muslims, and make the world happy with Islam and its noble message.

To the free people who dream of freedom and change:

Know well that freedom primarily means liberation of the soul from its intense desires, where Ramadan is the field in this regard. Responding to the call of freedom is an innate nature, as Caliph Omar ibn al—Khattab (may Allah be pleased with him) said: "Since when did you enslave the people, though they were born from their mothers in freedom?". And hope for change remains as long as the innate nature of souls is balanced. So, make people's awareness of their religion a path to freedom, and trust in Allah's victory for the believers, for we have seen the "flood" with faith shake the pillars of tyranny, as Allah Almighty said in Surat Muhammad: { you who have believed, if you support Allah, He will support you and plant firmly your feet.} (Muhammad: 7).

To the detained defenders of Islam in Egypt and all over the world:

You are free people, even if you are shackled (in prisons), because your souls are free with their faith, and your resolve is steadfast with its patience. This is nothing but an extension of the path of the prophets and reformers. We know that you pay the price of freedom for your countries with your lives. What a great intention! What a great reward and good news for the patient, as Allah Almighty said in Surat Al-Baqarah: { Who, when disaster strikes them, say, "Indeed we belong to Allah, and indeed to Him we will return".} (Al-Baqarah: 156). So be patient, for Allah's promise is true, and be optimistic about the coming dawn of freedom. We pray to Allah to grant you a speedy release from your captivity, and to return you to your families and your nation, free and honorable.

In conclusion, on behalf of myself and the Muslim Brotherhood General Guide, Dr. Mohamed Badie, I extend to

you all my sincere congratulations on the advent of the holy month of Ramadan, praying to Allah Almighty to make it a month of goodness, blessings, victory and empowerment, and to make this holy month come again to us with our country liberated, and Islam and its people empowered.

Your brother,

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