

STATEMENT OF THE AFGHAN LAWYERS' ASSOCIATION IN EUROPE

Pakistan – Protector of Terrorism

As a safe haven of terrorism, Pakistan has, for many years, exposed the world to serious dangers. Not only Afghanistan has turned into the biggest victim of this shelter of terrorism since 1973, but the cause behind each tragic incident - from New York to Bombay, and from Darussalam to Yemen and Russia, could be traced to al-Qaida-linked networks, the leadership of which is sheltered in Pakistan and being protected by its intelligence and the military.

The murder of Osama bin Laden – the ring leader of al-Qaida intimidators in the outskirts of Islamabad (which was carried on with the American way of avenging), once again forced the cunning and hypocrite leaders of Pakistan to admit that: **they are ashamed.**

Now, this is the question that if Osama bin Laden deserved the death penalty, then which punishment his hosts and patrons are entitled to? While the fate of Afghanistan, and its present and future existence, as well as the peace and security of the region and that of the world's are at stake, the United Nations needs to explain that: how and why Pakistan, being a member of the United Nations, is allowed to regularly and systematically infringe the UN Charter and contravene its international obligations? This happens while *Pact Sunt Servanda* is regarded as an internationally accepted principle!

Here, not only the “Moral Obligation” of Pakistan is to be taken into consideration, but, the United Nations, on the basis of “threat to the peace, breaches of the peace and act of aggression” ought to consider the principle of the “United Nations Sanctions” in respect to Pakistan.

It is now clearer than the sun that the terrorists are being supported, hidden, equipped and armed by the army and the military intelligence of Pakistan. The UN Security Council shall, in accordance with the provisions of the UN Charter,

consider this issue, and declare Pakistan as a **terrorism sponsoring state**. This is also clear that a terrorism sponsoring state shall be imposed **heavy sanctions** based on the principle of “Legal Settlement Sanctions”. **Such sanctions can include the stoppage of military aid, suspension of aid and other serious measures.**

The avowals of the Pakistani leaders in respect with their failure to exercise their state sovereignty has brought shame on that country, and has also raised the question that: while the international terrorist networks are able to maintain very close ties with the Pakistani army and intelligence, and moreover, in view of the criminal record of Pakistan in its negligence of the NPT Convention, and the illegal proliferation of the nuclear technology by the atomic father of the country (which he admitted during his trial), it is now deemed vital that: **the UN Security Council put the military nuclear system of Pakistan under international supervision.** The fate of a country (Afghanistan), the safety of the people of the world and the global peace must not become victim of negligence.

It is since long that the leaders of the world, including America, complain about the hypocritical and deceptive policies of Pakistan. But, why these countries, and particularly the United States, do not put an end to such policies of Pakistan towards them? (It is questionable that they rather water the roots of terrorism in Pakistan, dress its branches in Afghanistan, and still they increase the number of their troops to 150,000 to combat the organized assault of Taliban from the territory of Pakistan – “a friend and ally of the UK and America”).

As a professional and non-dependant entity, the Afghan Lawyers Association in Europe sincerely calls up on all the Afghans, including the scholars and cultural personalities, and the civil, social and political institutions to raise their loud and united cry of protest against such a state of affairs, keeping in mind our national cause to precede all other ethnic, linguistic, regional or ideological tendencies. The Association urges its officials and members to translate this Statement in different languages and put it in the disposal of the UN and the media.

With regards,

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