

'HSM Response to The African Union's Shameful Communique'

23 Rabi'ul Awal 1445 H (08 October 2023) - In the latest of a series of statements released by the international coalition of crusaders and their apostate allies, the African Union has recently released a communique regarding the withdrawal of 3000 African Crusaders from Somalia. The communique, which was the synopsis of a meeting held in Addis Ababa last week expressed the concerns of the AU for the dwindling security situation in Somalia and how the crusaders pleaded with the international community and local Somalis to provide the financial backing for ATMIS to remain in Somalia. In this regard, Harakat Al-Shabaab Al Mujahideen Press Office would like to mention the following points.

1. ATMIS: Mercenaries in Sheep's Clothing

The communique of the African Union has once again brought to light the ulterior motives of the crusader mission in Somalia. Besides being driven by their obvious religious and historical animosity against the Muslims of East Africa, the primary objective of the AU and its foot soldiers has been and continues to be one of sheer financial gain. Similar to the mercenaries who kill for hire, ATMIS has made it clear that it is not a humanitarian or peacekeeping organization but rather a band of marauding bandits who solicit funds through extortion, violence, occupation and who's foremost priority is to make a living through the suffering of the Somali population.

After being given the cold shoulder from its international donors who have deemed AU's mission in Somalia unsustainable, the African crusaders have resorted to imploring the apostate Somali government to foot their bill. A laughable request, taking into consideration that the apostate Somali government is unable to sustain itself let alone pay the African crusaders. The overwhelming majority of the apostate Somali government's fiscal budget, including the salary of government workers, SNA soldiers and even the apostate president himself is donated by the United States, Britain and the European Union, making AU's request of Somali financial assistance satirical if not delusional.

"So weak are both the seeker and the sought." [Al-Hajj, 73]

2. Adding Insult to Injury

To make matters worse, the AU, in a desperate attempt to continue exploiting and occupying Somalia, has also requested from the local Somali population and the private sector to provide financial assistance for ATMIS' continued occupation of Somalia. This appeal does not only highlight the desperation and defeat of the African crusaders, but also the level of brazenness and disrespect they harbour towards the Muslims of Somalia.

For more than 15 years, the African crusaders have been waging a Christian crusade against the land of Somalia and its Muslim inhabitants. During that span, they have perpetrated the worst of crimes against our people. They have invaded our country, destroyed our land, displaced our people, desecrated our sanctities, murdered our children, bereaved our mothers, violated the honour of our women and plundered our wealth and resources. How can they, therefore, expect assistance from the very people they brutalized for so long? Or do they think that the Muslims of Somalia are like the cheap, cowardly and servile Christian citizens of their own disbelieving countries who welcome their oppressors with open arms and accept humiliation and servitude?

Or have the African crusaders forgotten that it was the Muslims of Somalia who killed their forefathers that were brought as slaves by their colonial masters? Have the African crusaders forgotten that it was the Muslims of Somalia who dragged the corpses of their slave masters through the streets of Mogadishu? Or that it was the Muslims who spread Islamic rule across Eastern and Central Africa and also conquered Addis Ababa? Have the African crusaders forgotten that it was Muslims from Somalia who set ablaze the streets of Kampala and Nairobi?

The AU's request that the Somalis pay for their occupation will only add to their long list of crimes against our people. Contrary to their arrogant appeal, it will be the Muslims who force the African crusaders to pay taxes and tribute, not the other way around. Allaah, the Exalted, said:

“Fight against those who believe not in Allah, nor in the Last Day, nor forbid that which has been forbidden by Allaah and His Messenger, and those who acknowledge not the religion of truth (Islam) among the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians), until they pay the Jizyah with willing submission, and feel themselves subdued.” [At-Tawbah, 29]

By the permission of Allaah, the African crusaders and the international coalition of disbelievers will be defeated soon. Even if the crusaders were to remain in the country for another 15 years, the Muslims of Somalia and their Mujahideen sons will never waver in their resolve to fight Jihad until they expel the last African crusader soldier from the land of the Muslims. Unlike your oppressive occupation, our war is a just one. A war in defence of our religion, land, resources and dignity of our people. Time is on our side and Allaah is our Protector and He will give victory to the believers.

“And whosoever takes Allah, His Messenger, and those who have believed, as Protectors, then the party of Allah will be the victorious.” [Al-Ma'idah, 56]

3. The Shameless Apostate Government

On the other hand, the AU's communique has exposed the lies and propaganda of the apostate regime and their false narrative of victory on the battlefield. Since the inauguration of Hasan Sheikh's government, the apostates have painted a glossy image of self-sufficiency, a unified powerful Somali National Army, and the impending doom of Harakat Al-Shabaab Al Mujahideen. The AU's communique and apostate government's pitiful entreaties to the UN security council, however, paint a totally different picture; a picture of hopelessness, fear and uncertainty; a picture of dependency and deficiency; a picture of an illegitimate government desperately clinging into its last straws for survival.

Today, by the mercy of Allaah, the false claims of the apostates and their hypocritical scholars that the Mujahideen are the ones forcing the African crusaders to remain in the country have been refuted. It has become clear that the real enemies of Somalia are those who are pleading with the disbelievers and begging them to continue their invasion and occupation of our Muslim country. Allaah, the Exalted, said:

“Have you (O Muhammad) not observed the hypocrites who say to their friends among the people of the Scripture who disbelieve: ‘If you are expelled, we (too) indeed will go out with you, and we shall never obey any one against you, and if you are attacked (in fight), we shall indeed help you.’ But Allaah bears Witness, that they verily are liars.” [Al-Hashr, 11]

The appeal by the apostate Somali government to the international community and the subsequent responses from the UN security council and AU, unmask the façade and frailty of Hasan Sheikh Mahmud’s illegitimate government. It is a government that is unable to defend itself and is totally reliant on the international community for funding, security and policy making, making it the laughing stock of the world and a subject of ridicule amongst its very allies.

AU’s meeting in Addis Ababa once again shows that the apostate Somali government is merely a pawn that has no significance nor authority. It is a puppet regime that must accept the fate dictated to it from the offices of the crusaders in Halane Military Complex, Addis Ababa and the UN security council. From the onset of the AU’s mission in Somalia, the apostate regime was not consulted nor given a choice with regards to accepting foreign intervention in its country or not. It was not informed of the troop contributing countries to be involved, their weapons, numbers, areas of operation and their day to day procedures. Similarly today, it is clear from the AU’s communique that ATMIS’ withdrawal is also a matter out of the apostate government’s hands.

4. Accepting the Inevitable

After more than three decades of successive foreign interventions, the international coalition of disbelievers have been unable to defeat the Mujahideen on the battlefield or subdue the will and fighting spirit of the Muslims of Somalia. From UNISOM to AMISOM to ATMIS, Somalia has been an unforgiving and unrelenting inferno for the crusaders, scorching all disbelievers who seek to invade and occupy it.

It is this harsh reality that has left the AU and the international coalition of crusaders despondent and disheartened as they begin to accept the fact that their mission in Somalia has ended in utter failure. The undertones of the AU’s recent communique, along with the statement from the UN security council and the plea of the apostate Somali government, have all the markings of a sinking ship. As withdrawal of the crusaders looms on the horizon, each party has begun to cast the blame on its counterparts in order to save face and distance itself from the humiliation.

In this light, Harakat Al-Shabaab Al Mujahideen calls upon the Muslims of Somalia, their tribes, scholars, academics and influential leaders, to stand by the Mujahideen in this critical juncture of history. By the permission of Allaah, it will not be long before we see the collapse of the apostate regime, the defeat of their crusader allies, the liberation of Somalia and the complete implementation of Islamic Shari’ah in Somalia.

At the same time, HSM once again cautions the Muslims of Somalia against working with or assisting the African crusaders and their apostate allies in any way, shape or form. HSM reminds the Muslims of Somalia that assisting the disbelievers in their occupation of Somalia is considered treason and a nullification of Islam. Allaah, the Exalted, says:

“O you who believe! Take not the Jews and the Christians as Awliya (friends and protectors) they are but Awliya to one another. And if any amongst you takes them as Awliya, then surely he is one of them. Verily, Allah guides not those people who are the Zalimoon (polytheists and wrongdoers. And you see those in whose hearts there is a disease (of hypocrisy), they hurry to their friendship, saying: "We fear lest some misfortune of a disaster may befall us." Perhaps Allah may bring a victory or a decision according to His Will. Then they will become regretful for what they have been keeping as a secret in themselves.” [Al-Maida, 51-52]

Finally, HSM calls upon all members of the apostate regime, their leaders, politicians, and soldiers to repent to Allaah and disavow themselves from the apostate government before it is too late. Allaah is the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful. He, the Almighty, accepts the repentance of His slaves as long as it is done sincerely for His sake and before it is too late. Do not be deceived by the disbelievers and their false promises to protect you, because they will abandon you in your most critical hour. Know that the disbelievers will desert you to your fate as they have done to their allies in Afghanistan. Allaah, the Exalted, said: ***“And (remember) when Shaitan (Satan) made their (evil) deeds seem fair to them and said, "No one of mankind can overcome you this today and verily, I am your protector." But when the two forces came in sight of each other, he ran away and said "Verily, I have nothing to do with you. Verily! I see what you see not. Verily! I fear Allah for Allah is Severe in punishment.” [Al-Anfal, 48]***

The objective of Harakat Al-Shabaab Al Mujahideen is to expel the crusaders from Muslim lands and establish an Islamic government that fully implements Islamic Shari’ah, upholds its noble values, safeguards the lives of all Muslims and defends their wealth and honour. Allaah, the Exalted, said:

“Allah has promised those among you who believe, and do righteous good deeds, that He will certainly grant them succession to (the present rulers) in the earth, as He granted it to those before them, and that He will grant them the authority to practise their religion, that which He has chosen for them (i.e. Islam). And He will surely give them in exchange a safe security after their fear (provided) they (believers) worship Me and do not associate anything (in worship) with Me. But whoever disbelieved after this, they are the Fasiqoon disobedient to Allah). And perform the prayer and give charity and obey the Messenger so that you may obtain mercy (from Allaah)” [An-Nuur, 55-56]



وَلِلَّهِ الْعِزَّةُ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَلَكِنَّ الْمُنَافِقِينَ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ

“But honour belongs to Allaah and His Messenger, and to the Believers but the hypocrites know not”