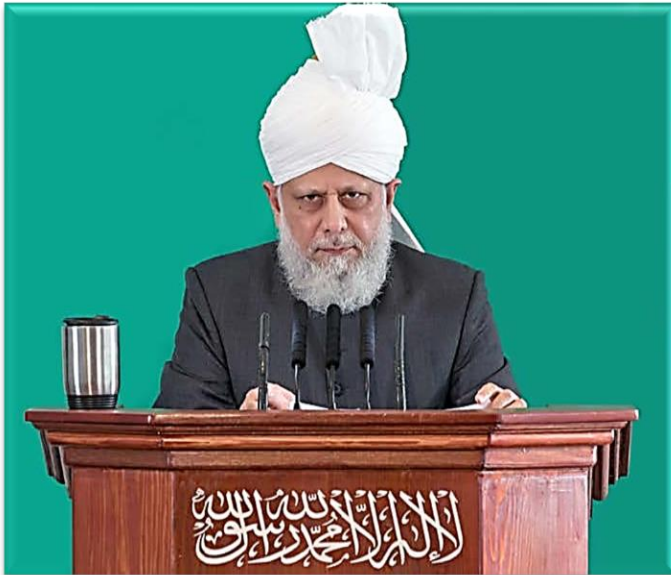
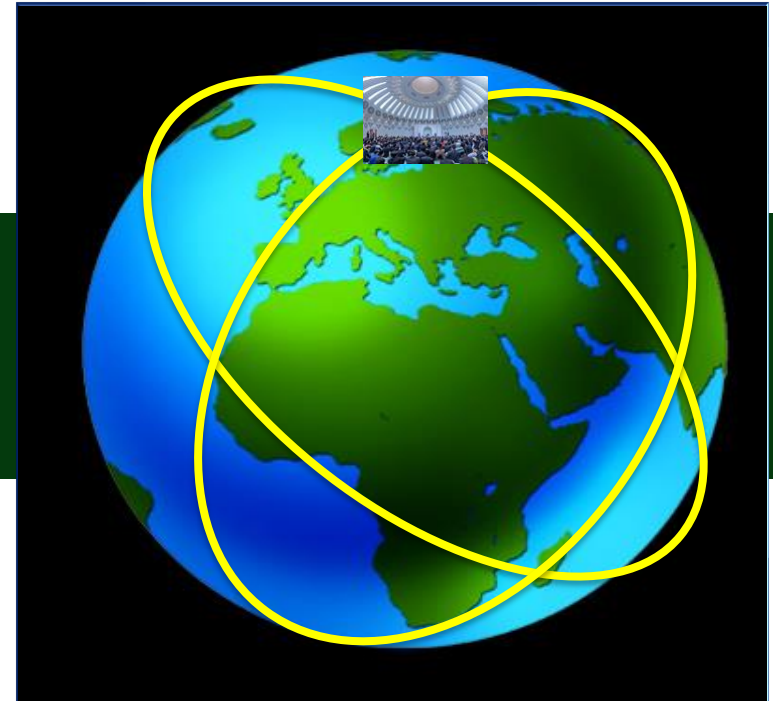


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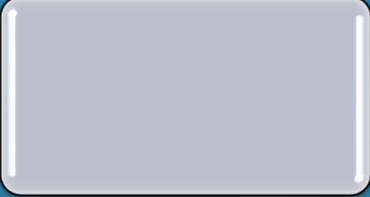
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His Holiness(aba) said that as Hazrat Abu Bakr's(ra) demise drew near, he called Hazrat Abdur Rahman bin Auf(ra) and asked him about Hazrat Umar(ra). Hazrat Abdur Rahman bin Auf(ra) said that Hazrat Umar(ra) was even better than what he thought of him to be, except that he has a temper. Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) said that this was only the case because Hazrat Umar(ra) saw leniency in him, however if he were to be given leadership, then he would change certain qualities of his.

His Holiness(aba) said that then Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) called Hazrat Uthman(ra) and asked him about Hazrat Umar(ra), and he replied saying that his inner state was even better than his outer state. Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) then told both not to tell anyone what he had asked them. Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) then expressed his desire to become detached from this world and move on.

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His Holiness(aba) said one day, with the help of his wife, despite being extremely ill, Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) went to the mosque and addressed the Muslims saying that he had deliberated a great deal over who the next Caliph should be, were he to pass away. He said that he had come to the conclusion that it should be Hazrat Umar(ra). Everyone accepted this and pledged allegiance to him after the demise of Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra).

His Holiness(aba) said that Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) did not make this decision arbitrarily, rather he consulted various companions first. He did not stop there, but then, despite being extremely ill, he went to the mosque and asked the people whether they were content with this decision, and it was only when they agreed that he solidified his decision. In this way, a consensus was reached on the matter.

His Holiness(aba) said that Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) passed away on Wednesday 22 Jamadi al-Akhir 13 AH after a period of Caliphate which lasted 2 years 3 months and ten days.

His last words were the Qur'anic verse

**'Let death come to me in a state of submission to Thy will and join me with the righteous.'** (12:102).

His Holiness(aba) said that Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) had told his family that after his funeral, his family should see if there was anything left of his and it should be given to Hazrat Umar(ra). He also told his family to bury him in the same clothes he had been wearing after washing them. His wife said that he should be buried in new clothes to which he replied that the living had more right to wear something new.

Hazrat Abu Bakr's(ra) funeral prayer and was then buried beside the Holy Prophet(sa), in a way so that Hazrat Abu Bakr's(ra) head aligned with where the Holy Prophet's (sa) shoulders were.

# Structural & Organisational Implementations by Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra)

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Whenever Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) needed to make a decision or consult on a matter, he would invite companions from both the Muhajireen and the Ansar.

His Holiness(aba) said that Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) established the treasury an institution for arbitration.

Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra) also established a position which can be likened to being a secretary; someone who would write out various ordinances, treaties and various other matters.

During the era of Hazrat Abu Bakr(ra), there was no dedicated army, rather all Muslims were considered to be soldiers at times of war.

His Holiness(aba) said that he would continue narrating these incidents in future sermons.

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