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The Amīr/National President
Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 6th April 2012, Hadrat Khalīfatul Masīh V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

After reciting verses 170-174 of *Surah Al-e-'Imran*, which are translated as follows:

“Think not of those, who have been slain in the cause of Allāh, as dead. Nay, they are living, in the presence of their Lord, being well provided; jubilant because of that which Allāh has given them of His bounty; and rejoicing for those who have not yet joined them from behind them, because on them shall come no fear, nor shall they grieve. They rejoice at the favour of Allāh and His bounty, and at the fact that Allāh suffers not the reward of the believers to be lost. As to those who answered the call of Allāh and the Messenger after they had received an injury — such of them as do good and act righteously shall have a great reward; Those to whom men said, ‘People have mustered against you, therefore fear them,’ but this only increased their faith, and they said, ‘Sufficient for us is Allāh, and an excellent Guardian is He.

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Jamā'at Ahmadiyya is a tree that has been planted by God Himself and no human effort can ever destroy it. In fact God has promised that He shall cause it to grow and flourish. Hadrat Maulwi Abdur Rahman Khan and Hadrat Sahibzada Abdul Latif were the first martyrs of Ahmadiyyat and their example gave strength and resolve to many others who sacrificed their lives. The laws of various countries may deprive Ahmadīs of their lives, but they cannot take away their spirit of devotion.

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: The worst instances of persecution and barbarity are being perpetrated in Pakistan. In this context Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ spoke about an extremely devoted and sincere member of the Jama'at, Master Abdul Quddus Sahib of Rabwah, who was subjected to the worst kind of torture by the police, but remained steadfast and gave up his life as martyr. Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: This is the story of one who safeguarded his faith and remained firm upon the truth. He preferred to give up his life rather than to give false testimony as the torturers demanded. He truly lived up to his pledge of Bai'at. He was a sincere and soft-hearted person, but when it came to preserving the honour of the Jama'at, he stood firm like a rock. O Quddus! We salute you, for you withstood extreme suffering but did

not allow the honour of the Jama'at to be tarnished. You gave up your life to save the Jama'at from great mischief.

Hudur أيده اللہ تعالیٰ said: The martyr has taught us that no matter what we have to go through, we must not forsake God. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام says that the world can cause you no harm if you have a unshakeable relationship with God. The martyr has also taught us that though we must respect the law of the land, we should only fear the One true God.

Hudur أيده اللہ تعالیٰ said: To preserve our faith is our foremost obligation. Every sacrifice should further strengthen our resolve and we should continue to show patience, steadfastness and supplicate before God. Prayers and steadfastness are our only weapons and there is no reason for us to grieve or become disheartened. Through such sacrifices, Allāh causes us to take great leaps towards turning our minority into majority, but sacrifices such as the one made by Master Quddus amount to a hundred leaps towards that goal. Our reaction should neither be one of despondence nor of aggression. Allāh has urged the Jama'at of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام to keep forging ahead with patience and prayers and has promised that their success has been decreed.

Hudur أيده اللہ تعالیٰ said: We must not forget all the sacrifices and efforts made by Jama'at Ahmadiyya towards the creation and progress of Pakistan. Even today it is only the prayers of Ahmadīs that safeguard this country. We can never allow the sacrifices of our ancestors to be wasted because of these momentary hardships. We have only one way to end this suffering and it is by supplicating before God and seeking His grace. Being victims of aggression, if we turn towards prayer and repentance and show great faith and trust in God, we will soon be able to witness the days of our triumph. May Allāh enable us to do so. *Āmīn*.

Hudur أيده اللہ تعالیٰ said: We will always remember the sacrifice made by this martyr. May Allāh grant solace to his parents, wife and children and be their Help and Support. Hudur أيده اللہ تعالیٰ led the *Namaz Janazah Gha'ib* of the martyr after the Jumu'a prayers.

Please convey these guidelines given by Hudūr أيده اللہ تعالیٰ to members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

Tahrīk Jadīd Anjuman Ahmadiyya Pakistan,

Dated: 11 April 2012