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The Amīr/National President  
Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,  
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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

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**Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) quoted the Promised Messiah عليه السلام: Be compassionate towards people and do not oppress them with your tongue, hand or by any other means. Be meek of heart and show sympathy towards mankind so that you are accepted.**

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On December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014, Hazrat Khalīfatul-Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at the Baitul Futūh Mosque, Morden, London.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) strongly condemned the incident in which innocent children at a school in Peshawar, Pakistan, were killed in a most barbaric and cruel manner.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The incident was the worst example of barbarity and savageness which made one's hair stand on end and shook humanity to the core making it scream out with pain. People with even an iota of decency expressed their grief and sadness over the incident.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The hearts of Ahmadīs are filled with love and sympathy for mankind. Indeed, the Ahmadīs are always ready to help mankind and are moved by even the smallest of such incidents. I personally felt deeply grieved over the incident and remained distressed throughout the day. May God rid Pakistan of vicious and wicked people! May He rid all Muslim countries of such elements!

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Seeing these incidents one is reminded of the oppressions being committed against the Ahmadīs. A similar incident of brutality and bloodshed was committed in 2010, some four and a half years ago, against the Ahmadīs at their mosques in Lahore. However, neither the government nor most of the public paid any attention to it. We Ahmadīs, however, have love and compassion for mankind. We are deeply moved by the fact that all the school children who have been killed were our compatriots.

Therefore, our hearts are filled with sympathy and compassion for them. May God grant all of them His cover of mercy and forgiveness. May God also grant patience and steadfastness to their grieved parents. *Āmīn*

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The Holy Prophet ﷺ had strictly forbidden to kill non-Muslim children and women during wars with them.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: May Allāh grant patience and steadfastness to children whose parents were killed in the incident. May Allāh Himself be the provider of all such children. *Āmīn*

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Extremism and cruelty is a tragedy afflicting almost every Muslim country in the world today. Pakistan is not the only country to be afflicted with this; rather such cruelties are being committed in Iraq, Syria, Libya and many other Muslim countries. The extremists are not only killing the existing people, but they are destroying our coming generations by taking them away from the true teachings of Islām.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Islam teaches love, affection and brotherhood. The Qur'ānic commandments enjoin that we should reject extremism and establish justice and fairness. God enjoins that one should show complete submission to Him and to His Prophet ﷺ and avoid quarrelling with each other. Otherwise, you may become cowardly and you lose your awe over people. One should also show patience, for surely God is with those who exhibit patience.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Until one treats fairly even those who are one's enemies, and until one establishes high standards of brotherhood, and until the government looks after its people and the people are compliant to their government, and until people have fear of Allāh in their hearts, incidents of brutality and cruelty will continue to take place.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The Promised Messiah عليه السلام has inculcated in us love and compassion for mankind. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام said that the believers have been commanded to show mercy and kindness. Therefore, one should always keep the commandment in view. One should constantly observe oneself as to how far one is truly kind and compassionate to one's fellow beings.

The Promised Messiah عليه السلام said: Be compassionate to God's people and do not oppress them with your tongue, hand, or by any other means. Always endeavour for the good of humanity. Do not be arrogant towards anyone...Do not abuse anyone.. Be meek, humble, good of intention and sympathetic to mankind, so that you are accepted. God wants you to be fair towards mankind.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The atrocity committed in Pakistan has caused us the deepest grief. God has, in order to put an end to such atrocities, sent the Promised Messiah عليه السلام He had promised. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام has come so that he may end wars and conflicts and spread love and kindness. If only people understood this!

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Ahmadīs should offer heart-felt prayers for Pakistan and other Muslim countries. May God cause peace to be established in these countries. Āmīn

Next, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) announced the martyrdom of Mubarak Ahmad Bajwa Sahib of Chak 312/B Kathowali, District Toba Tek Singh, Pakistan. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also announced the sad demise of Amina Ausaf Sahiba of Kababir and Ibrahim Abdur Rahman Bukhari Sahib of Egypt and said that he would lead their funeral prayer after the Jumu'a.

Please convey these guidelines given by Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) to members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

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