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The Amīr/National President  
Jamā‘at Aḥmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

**The promise of Khilāfat is linked to faith and good deeds. In order to revive Islām and strengthen our faith we have to attach ourselves to the Promised Messiah (a.s), the true lover of the Holy Prophet ﷺ.**

**Khilāfat is the institution that turns fear into peace. It serves to win the pleasure of Allāh and to strengthen the faith.**

**Aḥmadīs in Algeria have remained steadfast in the face of coercion. They have grown in fraternity and love for Khilāfat, and have been strengthened in their faith. The prisoners of conscience in Algeria have expressed their love with Khilāfat.**

On 26th May 2017, Ḥaḍrat *Khalīfatul-Masīḥ* V delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

After reciting verse 56 of Sūrah Al-Nur, which is translated as follows:

**“Allah has promised to those among you who believe and do good works that He will surely make them Successors in the earth, as He made Successors *from among* those who were before them; and that He will surely establish for them their religion which He has chosen for them; and that He will surely give them in exchange security *and peace* after their fear: They will worship Me, *and they will not associate anything with Me.* Then whoso is ungrateful after that, they will be the rebellious.” (24:56)**

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: This verse promises the believers that Khilāfat shall always remain among them, although, in the light of a hadith of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, it will be lost for some time on account of people’s misdeeds, but once again Khilāfat on the footsteps of Prophethood shall be established. Because of the literal and misleading interpretation of the religious scholars, most people do not understand how this Khilāfat will be established. Speaking of such ignorant divines, the Promised Messiah (a.s) says: Some ignorant people deny the generality of the verse promising Khilāfat to the believers and say that it only applies to the Companions of the Holy Prophet ﷺ after whom Khilāfat had ended and there shall remain nothing of it till doomsday. It was confined to a mere 30-year period. Can any righteous person hold the belief that while the blessings of the Prophet Moses (a.s) lasted for 1400 years, the blessing of the Holy Prophet ﷺ who came for all times to come were confined to his own age, and that his blessings should not be manifested through his spiritual successors? Alas, they too call themselves Muslims who utter such things. The Promised Messiah (a.s) again says that if Khilāfat was only meant to last for 30 years, then God could have given the Holy Prophet ﷺ another 30 years to live instead.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: There are people today who wish to establish Khilāfat on the basis of material means. They do not understand the message of the verse that faith and good deeds are a precondition to Khilāfat. It was on the basis of

such flawed thinking that enemies of Islām started aiding groups who organized themselves in the name of Khilāfat. And these groups are now growing weak on account of not getting material help. How could they have strengthened Islām when all they were doing were following the agenda of the enemies of Islām. These include leaders who want to hold on to power.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: A kind-hearted person is deeply perturbed to observe that Muslims themselves are involved in the killing of innocent people and in spreading destruction. A few days ago innocent people were unjustifiably killed in Manchester. Such actions can in no way be attributed to Islām. May Allāh have mercy on the deceased and grant solace to the bereaved families. And may Allāh bring these people to their senses who are perpetrating such acts in the name of Islām.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The killing and destruction going on in the Muslim world is a result of disobeying God’s commandments. Aḥmadīs, who have witnessed fear being turned to peace by holding on to Khilāfat, are the ones who feel the most pain at the condition of the Muslims.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Khilāfat cannot be established either through worldly power or through resolutions. The Khilāfat which turn fear into peace and strengthens the faith can only come about by following the path told by the Holy Prophet ﷺ, as Allāh says in Sūrah Jumu‘ah:

وآخرين منهم لما يلحقوا بهم

**“And among others from among them who have not yet joined them.” (62:04)**

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Can following in the footsteps of today’s scholars and kings bring the blessings that were bestowed on the Holy Prophet ﷺ and His Companions? These blessings can only be achieved by following the person who came to bring faith back to the world. Today no one else is doing this other than the institution of Khilāfat started by the Promised Messiah (a.s), the foremost lover of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. This is the mission of this Jamā‘at in this age of infidelity and disbelief and this is the work we are doing. In order to strengthen Islām and establish faith, it is essential to be linked to the Promised Messiah and Mahdi.

The Promised Messiah (a.s) says: At the time when people had gone astray, God sent the Holy Prophet ﷺ and illuminated their hearts with the light of Divine cognition. And then another people shall appear in the latter ages whom God would cause to become like the Companions of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and fill their hearts with the same faith and conviction. Hence, there are many today who having derived light from the Promised Messiah (a.s) and having witnessed signs have entered Jamā‘at Aḥmadiyya and do not care for the suffering they have to undergo at the hands of the opponents. For example, Aḥmadīs in Algeria are growing ever stronger in their faith. They write that they are thankful to God for having blessed them with the true faith and gathered them at the hand of the Khalīfa. Their period of tribulation has increased them in fraternity and brought them closer to Khilāfat. We witnessed many signs from God that increased our faith and conviction. Allāh’s blessings are descending on the oppressed Aḥmadīs of Algeria and some of them have been released. They write about some comforting dreams they had during their confinement and that the Khalīfa’s prayers were a source of solace for them and that their release was a result of the Khalīfa’s prayers. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that both men and women have and are continuing to make sacrifices in their own sphere. When the opponents tried to cause fear, Allāh would turn it into peace by the blessing

of Khilāfat. Difficulties are bound to arise, but God, in keeping with His promise, grants peace and contentment.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Allāh tells the believers to worship Him as He ought to be worshipped. Fear will turn into peace on account of one's relationship with Allāh and with Khilāfat. Aḥmadīs in Algeria have not even seen the Khalīfa, but on account of their perfect faith Allāh is blessing them with peace and tranquillity, just as He did for those who were close to the Promised Messiah (a.s). All this is on account of the on-going institution of Khilāfat.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Allāh had given the Promised Messiah (a.s) the glad tiding that He would cause his mission to be successful. The Promised Messiah (a.s) wrote in Al-Waṣiyyat: "So dear friends! since it is the Divine practice, from time immemorial, that God Almighty shows two Manifestations so that the two false joys of the opponents be put to an end, it is not possible now that God should relinquish His old Sunnah. So do not grieve over what I have said to you; nor should your hearts be distressed, for it is essential for you to witness the second Manifestation also, and its Coming is better for you because it is everlasting and will not end till the Day of Judgement. God says, I shall make this Jamā'at who are your followers, prevail over others till the Day of Judgment. Thus it is inevitable that you see the day of my departure, so that after that day the day comes which is the day of ever-lasting promise. Our God is He Who keeps His promise and is Faithful and is the Truthful God. He shall show you all that He has promised. Though these days are the last days of this world, and there are many a disaster waiting to happen, yet it is necessary that this world continues to exist until all those things about which God has prophesied come to pass."

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: It was God's great favour on us that after the demise of the Promised Messiah (a.s), He sustained the Jamā'at through Ḥaḍrat *Khalīfatul Masīḥ I* (r.a). Then after his demise there was a tumultuous time where some people turned away, but Khilāfat emerged victorious. Great difficulties arose in the time of *Khalīfatul Masīḥ III* (r.a) and grave anti Aḥmadiyya schemes were hatched by the government during the time of *Khalīfatul Masīḥ IV* (r.a), but the Jamā'at continued to progress and spread and the message of Islām started reaching millions. All this shows that Islām will emerge successful only through the Promised Messiah (a.s) and his Khulafa. Our opponents can never succeed no matter how hard they try. May Allāh enable us to be a part of the Promised Messiah's (a.s) mission and to raise our standards of worship. *Amīn*.

At the end of the sermon, Huzoor informed the Jamā'at of the sad demise of Chaudhary Hameed Aḥmad Ṣāḥib, son of Chaudhary Muḥammad Suleiman Akhtar Ṣāḥib of UK and led his funeral prayer after the Friday prayer.

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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Dated: 1 June 2017