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The Amīr/National President
Jamā‘at Ahmadīyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

Extracts from the Friday Sermon delivered by Ḥaḍrat *Khalīfa-tul-Masīh V* (May Allāh be his Helper) on 13th September 2019 at Kingsley, Bordon, UK.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Before continuing with the accounts of the Companions of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) who participated in the battle of *Badr*, I would like to say with reference to today’s Ijtimā’ of Majlis Ansārullāh that when the Companions of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him)—both *Muhajirīn* and *Ansār*—accepted Islām, they brought about a holy transformation in themselves and set wondrous examples of sacrifices, piety, sincerity and loyalty. We too should reflect upon ourselves in this regard and see how far we are able to follow in their footsteps. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said; The first Companion I will speak about is:

Ḥaḍrat *Nu’aimān bin ‘Amr* (May Allāh be pleased with him):

His name is also recorded as *Nu’mān*. His father’s name was *‘Amr bin Rifā’ah* and his mother was *Fatima bint ‘Amr*. Among his children we find the names of *Muhammad*, *‘Amir*, *Sabrah*, *Lubābah*, *Kabsha*, *Maryam*, *Umm-e-Habīb*, *Amatullah* and *Hakeemah*. According to *Ibn-e-Ishāq*, Ḥaḍrat *Nu’aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) was among the 70 *Ansār* who pledged *Bai’at* at *Aqabah*. Ḥaḍrat *Nu’aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) participated in all the battles alongside the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him), including *Badr*, *Uhud* and *Khandaq*. According to an account, the Messenger of Allāh said, “Do not say anything about *Nu’aimān* except what is good, for he loves Allāh and His Messenger.” Ḥaḍrat *Nu’aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) passed away in 60 AH during the rule of Ḥaḍrat *Amīr Mu’awiyah* (May Allāh be pleased with him).

Ḥaḍrat *Umm-e-Salma* (May Allāh be pleased with her) relates: About a year before the demise of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him), Ḥaḍrat *Abu Bakr* (May Allāh be pleased with him) travelled to *Busra* for purpose of trade. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: *Busra* is an ancient city in the Levant. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) had stayed in this city when he accompanied his uncle on a trading venture, and also when he took Ḥaḍrat *Khadija’s* (May Allāh be pleased with her) merchandise to be sold. Ḥaḍrat *Khadija’s* (May Allāh be pleased with her) servant *Maisarah* had also accompanied the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) on that journey. Anyway, when Ḥaḍrat *Abu Bakr* (May Allāh be pleased with him) took his merchandise to *Busra*, he was accompanied by Ḥaḍrat *Nu’aimān* and Ḥaḍrat *Suwaibat bin Harmalah* (May Allāh

be pleased with them). Ḥaḍrat *Nu'aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) was responsible for arranging the necessities of the journey.

Rabī'ah bin Uthmān relates: A Bedouin once came to see the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) and entered the mosque leaving his camel outside. Some of the Companions said to Ḥaḍrat *Nu'aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him), "If you slaughter this camel, we can eat, for we are craving for meat. Of course the Bedouin will complain to the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) and the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) will give him compensation." According to the narrator, Ḥaḍrat *Nu'aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) was taken in by this talk and slaughtered the camel. When the Bedouin came out and saw what had happened to his camel, he started shouting and reported the matter to the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him). The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) came out and asked who had done this. The people said that *Nu'aimān* had done it. *Nu'aimān* had run away to hide somewhere and was later found at the house of Ḥaḍrat *Zubā'ah bint Zubair bin Abdul Muttalib* (May Allāh be pleased with him). The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) asked him why he had done that, and he said that he had been fooled by other people who had told him that there was nothing to worry as the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) would pay the compensation. Hearing this, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) smiled and touched *Nu'aimān's* face. He then gave the Bedouin compensation for his camel.

Zubair bin Bakkār in his book *Al-Fukaha wal Muzāh* relates the following regarding Ḥaḍrat *Nu'aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him): Whenever a trade caravan came to Medina, Ḥaḍrat *Nu'aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) would buy something from them and present it as a gift to the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him). Later when the merchant came to Ḥaḍrat *Nu'aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) for payment, he would take him to the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) and ask the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) to pay the merchant. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) would ask, "Did you not give it to me as a gift?" And Ḥaḍrat *Nu'aimān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) would reply, "By God, I did not have the money to pay for that thing. But I wanted you to eat it (it was something to eat) or keep it (if was to be kept)." The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) would then smile and give instructions for the payment to be made.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Such were the loving and humorous atmosphere around the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him), and his gatherings were not dry and impersonal.

Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib bin Isāf* (May Allāh be pleased with him):

He belonged to *Banu Jusham* branch of *Ansār's* tribe *Khazraj*. In other accounts his name appears as *Habīb bin Yasāf*. Likewise, his father's name appears as *Isāf* or *Yasāf*. His grandfather's name is recorded as *'Itabah* or *'Inabah*. His mother's name was *Salma bint Mas'ūd*. Among his children is *Abu Kathīr* whose name was *'Abdullah*

and was born of *Jamila bint 'Abdullah bin Ubaiyy bin Salūl*. His other son was *'Abdur Rahmān* who was born of *Umm-e-Walad*. He had a daughter named *Unaisah* who was born of *Zainab bint Qais*. After the demise of Ḥaḍrat *Abu Bakr* (May Allāh be pleased with him), Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) married his widow *Habibah bint Kharijah*. Even though Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) had not yet accepted Islām at the time when the Muslims migrated from Mecca to Medina, he had the honour of hosting and serving the *Muhajirīn*. Ḥaḍrat *Talha bin 'Abdullah* and Ḥaḍrat *Suhaib bin Sinān* (May Allāh be pleased with them) stayed at his house. According to another account, Ḥaḍrat *Talha* (May Allāh be pleased with him) stayed at Ḥaḍrat *As'ad bin Zurarah's* (May Allāh be pleased with him) house. It is reported that Ḥaḍrat *Abu Bakr* (May Allāh be pleased with him) stayed with Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) at *Sunh in Quba'* upon his migration to Medina. Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) took part in all the battles alongside the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him), including *Badr*, *Uhud* and *Khandaq*.

It is related that Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) lived in Medina but had not accepted Islām. But when the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) set out for the battle of *Badr*, Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) went after him and accepted Islām. Regarding Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib's* (May Allāh be pleased with him) acceptance of Islām and participation in the battle of *Badr*, *Allama Nuruddin Halabi* writes in his book *Seerah Halabiyyah*: A valiant man by the name of *Habīb bin Yasaf* lived in Medina. He belonged to *Khazraj* tribe. He had not accepted Islām by the time of the battle of *Badr*, but he set out for the battle with his tribe hoping to win some spoils of war. The Muslims were delighted at this, but the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) stopped him from joining them, saying, "Only he will fight for us who is of our faith." According to another account, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) said, "Go back. We do not need the help of an idolater." It is said that the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) sent him back twice. When he came back the third time, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) said, "Do you believe in Allāh and His Messenger?" *Khubaib* said, "Yes," and thus accepted Islām. He then fought valiantly in the battle and killed the chief of *Quraish* of Mecca *Umayyah bin Khalaf*. *Huzoor* (May Allāh be his Helper) cited this incident in detail.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: *Khubaib bin 'Abdur Rahmān* relates: My grandfather Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) sustained an injury during the Battle of *Badr* and one of his ribs was broken. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) placed his blessed saliva on the injured area and set the bone in its proper place, as a result of which Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) was able to walk again. In another account, Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) relates: Once during a battle I suffered a deep wound on my shoulder which extended to my abdomen and as a result my arm was left hanging. I came to the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) and he put his blessed saliva on the wound and put my arm back in its place. My arm and

the wound both were then completely healed. According to varying accounts, Ḥaḍrat *Khubaib* (May Allāh be pleased with him) passed away during the Khilāfat of either Ḥaḍrat 'Umar or Ḥaḍrat 'Uthmān (May Allāh be pleased with them).

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: May Allah elevate the spiritual status of these Companions. *Amīn*.

At the end of the sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) informed the Jamā'at about the sad demise of *Rashida Begum Sahiba*, wife of *Muhammad Sarwar Sahib* of *Rabwah*; *Muhammad Shamshir Khan Sahib* of Fiji; and *Fatima Muhammad Mustafa Sahiba* of Kurdistan, currently residing in Norway. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) spoke about the virtues of the deceased members and led their funeral prayer in absentia after the Friday prayer.

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

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

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