ISLAM IS UNDER ATTACK

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(In the name of ALLAH, Ever Gracious, Ever Merciful.)

- I. Islam is under attack. Islam is under pressure from radio, television, print media, journalists, publishers, politicians and financial donor institutions.
- 2. They exert political, economical and propagandist pressure. Islam is being maligned and misrepresented with ulterior motives. Anti-Islam forces and agencies do not miss an opportunity to belittle and insult Muslims. Muslims are portrayed as fanatics, fundamentalists and terrorists. They are called foreign infiltrators in the Western world.
- 3. The result of this propaganda is that anti-Islam feelings and activities are on the rise. All this portrays that Muslims are a threat to Western way of life. This breeds prejudice and hatred resulting in offensive dialogue. This in turn results in suspicion, oppression and Muslim Bashing. They call it ISLAM-PHOBIA.
- 4. President Bush has used the word "crusades" against the Muslim world while others have cried "war of civilizations." Rev. Franklin Graham son of Billy Graham is President Bush's religious advisor. Franklin Graham has called Islam as- "a very wicked and evil religion" General William Boykin U.S. Deputy Under Secretary of Defence described that America is waging a holy war against- "the idol of Islam's false god and a guy called Satan-who wants to destroy us." There is another Christian Evangelist—Pat Robertson who is very vocal against Islam. Jerry Falwell proudly stated on C.B.S.-T.V. news program that— "The Bible Belt (i.e. the Christian world) is Israel's Safety Net in U.S.A. Twentieth Century Fox even produced a film named- "The Seige" which portrays Muslims as a threat to America.

- Apart from these verbal attacks the Christian Missionaries/Evangelists are also working in almost all Muslim countries as Humanitarian and Aid workers delivering food, medicines blankets and improving the water systems etc. Their hidden goal is to finally undercut Islam and spread Christianity-rather clandestinely. They always find some pretext to be in all 56 Muslim countries. They come camouflaged as teachers, professors, consultants and language students etc. Their current compaign includes working against HIV/AID schemes as well. Christianity is being promoted through children's toys and nursery level story books in schools. Multi-cultural students in secondary schools are being encouraged to participate in such activities, schemes and outings which are deeply offensive to Muslims. They say that Muslims must be reached by whatever means possible. They regard Islamic world as an hinterland that must be penetrated before the Messiah can return. They say that Islam is the Final Frontier to conquer.
- 6. Missionaries work in Community Services. They visit the poor and the widows. They visit the sick in hospitals and undertake their treatments with doctors. They are at every U.N. food distribution and AID Supply Distribution Centre with food basket in one hand and Bible in the other. They do all this because when a person is in a desperate situation and in despair, he is most vulnerable. Then he is told it is Jesus who is doing all this for you. When persuaded further the recipient is likely to even change his faith, belief and religion.
- 7. Modern day Missionaries and Evangelist's way and line of action is different to those of old days. They do not call themselves as Christians. Instead they camouflage themselves and blend with local cultures in dress and manners. They even adopt Muslim rituals like attending congregational prayers and fasting etc. They memorize a few Surahs and verses of Holy Qur'aan together with a few

Hadith for developing a ready conversation. A Missionary would pose a Muslim so as to reach out to Muslims doing Dawa work. They even get themselves circumcised. Their ultimate goal and aim is to advance Christian faith and Trinity. Their approach is two pronged-one through educational institutions and second through the relief of poverty. A Missionary does this for the sake of Lord Jesus whatever it may cost to him. The central idea is to claim Muslims for Jesus.

- 8. The Missionary say that when Islamic crescent would wane, only then the Christian Cross will prove dominant. Today only Islam is a serious competitor to Christianity. They believe that Jesus has only delayed his return because the Missionaries have not finished their work as yet. The task is to convert all ethnic groups of the world to Christianity. They say Christianity is the only Truth and other religions are Satanic inspired.
- 9. Their approach is gentle and cautious. They never try to convert their own employees in a hurry. They say that their faith and their belief is in their actions. They believe that conversion should be through gentle persuasion and not through visible dialectical, political or monetary power.
- 10. Missionaries/Evangelists say that they want to save Muslims from eternal fire of Hell to which they are otherwise destined to go. For this they use Christian doctrines of Love, Compassion and Charity.
- 11. The Missionaries initial goal is not to convert a Muslim to Christianity in a single go but to gradually and slowly work upon him. They try to gently bring about a crack and misunderstanding in the Islamic faith and belief of Muslims. They try to convince and mislead a Muslim about Islam and its rituals. Thus they succeed in planting a tiny seed of suspicion knowing that one day it will grow into a big tree and Muslims themselves would begin to question their own religion.

- 12. They say that Islam is biologically taking over the world because Muslims are producing babies faster than Christians, hence they promote birth control.
- 13. While condemning Terrorism they say that if Islam means peace, then it is just one more attempt to mislead the world. The Missionaries use another cliché. They say word Muslim means- "One who submits." So, we Christians are "Muslims in Christ!"
- 14. From Columbia International University in South Carolina in U.S.A. some 3000 such Missionaries are trained to spread out to all Muslims countries of the world through whatever means and excuses. Some students from various U.S.A. Universities also give 4 months time to do evangelist work to spread Christianity in Muslim countries. They spread out with renewed vigor and effort to reach out to Muslims to withdraw them out from Islam which they consider as a false Religion.
- 15. These Missionaries are telling Muslims that they are climbing a wrong ladder of religion, because when they would reach the Day of Judgement, they would find that there is nothing for them to gain except the Fire of Hell. They say that only Jesus is their Saviour. So believe in him as your Lord, Jesus will save you.
- 16. Rejecting all this, a Muslim knows that Islam is the force of his life. They know that Islam is the only True Religion of all religions. That is the only right way. Only Islam gives the true spiritual light and power to his spirit and to his soul. Islam and only Islam should be the substance and the rule of his life. A Muslim lives by Islam and he dies also in Islam. Finally only Islam will prevail in the world. ALLAH is the only Saviour of all mankind.