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PERSECUTION OF AHMADIES IN PAKISTAN

"THE ISSUE WILL BE RAISED IN THE UNITED NATIONS" PRESS CONFERENCE BY PROMINENT AHMADIS IN LONDON

(Daily Jang, London, April 12, 1985)

'The restrictions and other curbs imposed on the Ahmadiyya Community in Pakistan will be brought to the notice of the United Nations' Commission for Human Rights and other similar world organizations'. This announcement was made in a press conference convened in London by Ahmadiyya deligates from 48 countries of the world. These delegates were among the thousands of Ahmadiyyas who had recently attended the 20th Annual Gathering of the Community in UK.

Among others the press conference was addressed by Mr. Muzaffar Ahmad Zafar (USA), Salma Mubarak (UK), Syed Fazal Ahmad (India) and Mr. Abdul Wahab Bin Adam (Ghana). The main speaker was Mr. Muzaffar Ahmad Zafar from USA, who also answered questions during the session. He said that effective steps are in hand to end the persecution of the Ahmadiyyas in Pakistan. He appealed to the Western Democracies to come forward and exert maximum pressure in support of the victims of repression against the Zia regime. The United Nations was celebrating 1985 as the 'Childrens' Year.' What did it intend to do for the millions of Ahmadiyya children who had been denied school education by Ziaul-Haq? Moral genocide was being practised in Pakistan against the Ahmadiyyas on an unprecedented scale. Several Ahmadiyyas had been murdered in cold blood by the Mullahs without as much as batting an eyelid by the Administration. Answering a question, Mr. Zafar said that he could not rule out the possibility of adopting certain

AN AHMADI SURGEON MARTYRED

On June 9, 1985, at about 11:30 a.m., Professor Agil Bin Abdul Oadir, a renowned surgeon and a prominent member of the Ahmadiyya community in Hyderabad, Sind, was martyred while he was entering his house. Prof. Aqil Bin Abdul Oadir, who was over 60, recently retired from Liaqat Medical College, Hyderabad, where he was the Head of the Eye Hospital. He is the fifth member of the Ahmadiyya community to have been murdered in Sind Province since the Anti Ahmadiyya Ordinance was promulgated by the Government of Pakistan in April 1984. As usual, no arrest was made by the police in connection with the murder of Dr. Agil Bin Abdul Oadir.

measures against the Zia regime. Personally, Gen. Zia was a hard and difficult man to deal with. But generally speaking the ordinary Pakistani citizens were well-behaved and not inclined to fanaticism. There was no doubt that world-wide pressure would be exercised against the Pakistan Government. The Ahmadiyya spokesman denounced the Zia regime as repressive and tyrranical.

Mr. Fazal Ahmad (India) expressed deep anxiety at what was happening in Pakistan. He said that Pakistan and Islam were being ridiculed through the conduct of its rulers. Mr. Fazal Ahmad also maintained that whereas the Ahmadiyyas supported fully the Pakistan Movement in 1947, the Mullahs were

deadly against it and in fact they derided Qaide-Azam as Kafir-e-Azam (great disbeliever) and Pakistan as Pleadistan (Filth Depot). In fact the same group of Mullahs was now active in Pakistan and was working steadily towards its undoing. Mr. Abdul Wahab Bin Adam from Ghana answered a query about the Ahmadiyya beliefs. Mr. Fazal Ahmad (India) again intervened at this stage and said that he was grateful to God for being an Indian citizen. For there was complete freedom of religion and thought in that country. There was no discrimination against the Muslims as a religious group. The sectarian riots were a peculiar feature of the Indian society and all sections of the population including the Ahmadiyyas were equally affected by them.

Answering a query about the Ahmadiyyas, the chief spokesman declared that there were approximately 4 millions Ahmadiyyas in Pakistan. The total number of Ahmadiyyas world-over was somewhere in the region of 16.2 millions.

Mr. Muzaffar Ahmad Zafar at the beginning of the conference, read out a written statement which stated categorically that legal restrictions had been imposed against the Ahmadiyyas in Pakistan as under:

- a. Declaring themselves as Muslims
- b. Calling the Azan (call for prayers)
- c. Naming their places of worship as mosques
- d. Proselytizing
- e. Intending the Muslim salutation "Assalamo-Alaikum" (peace be on you) to anyone.

It was obvious that an effort as infamous as the above, was being made in Pakistan to deprive a considerable segment of its population from its religious beliefs and exercise of elementary human rights. The Ordinance of April 20, 1984, issued by the Government of Pakistan, therefore, clearly contravened Articles 18 and 20 of the World Charter of Human Rights. An act as innocent and simple as extending a message of peace to a fellow-being, was a penal offence and punishable with fine and imprisonment in Pakistan. Virtually, a rigid line had been drawn against the Ahmadiyyas for doing anything conforming to what was morally and ethically unreprehensible.

Mr. Muzaffar Ahmad Zafar accused Gen. Zia of inciting the ire of the Muslim masses against the Ahmadiyyas in Pakistan. He said that hundreds of Ahmadiyyas had been jailed so far and were being subjected to police torture in most cases. Some of the

HAZRAT AMEERUL MOMINEEN KHALIFATUL MASIH IV SENDS GREETINGS TO AMERICAN AHMADIES ON THE OCCASION OF EID-UL FITR

The following message was read out by Imam Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Amir and Missionary Incharge (USA), at the Eid gathering and sent to all American Jamaats where it was read out in all Eid gatherings:

June 15, 1985 London

"Assalamu Alaikum and Eid Mubarak with profound love to all brothers, sisters and children. Allah bless you and grant me the bliss of seeing your happiness. May Allah remove the suffering of those afflicted in His cause. May He shower choicest blessings upon our martyrs and their bereaved families, upon our prisoners and those yearning for their return. May Allah show us the grand Eid of Islam's eternal victory. I love you so much."

Mirza Tahir Ahmad Khalifatul Masih

Mid-East countries were also blindly following in the wake of the Pakistanis under pressure from the religious maniacs. It was hoped that the new regime would take some remedial measures to set right the present situation. Life had been made difficult for the Ahmadiyyas generally. And in particular all the Ahmadiyya newspapers and periodicals had been proscribed and banned indefinitely. In plain words, a religious minority was being trampled under foot outright and effectively in Pakistan. The inhuman treatment was being meted out to a community of peaceful and patriotic citizens. The antagonistic attitude of Zia regime was, therefore, doubly condemnable.

The Ahmadiyya leaders warned the Zia regime to mend its ways before it was too late and the situation went beyond control altogether. The statement issued at the end of the press conference was signed by all the 57 delegates from 48 countries of the world.

VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN PAKISTAN

The following is an excerpt from Amnesty International's Report for the month of April, 1985. It briefly describes as to how the members of Ahmadiyya community in Pakistan are being harassed and tortured in the name of Islam. These 'Prisoners of Conscience' are being denied the very basic rights to profess, practice and propagate their beliefs. The mebers of the community are subjected to persecution and assault by non-Ahmadi citizens while law enforcement authorities continue to deny the protection or redress to the law-abiding victims.

PERSONS ARRESTED ON GROUNDS OF RELIGION OR RELIGIOUS PROTEST

Among other prisoners of conscience arrested during 1984 and 1985 were members of the Ahmadiyya sect. In April 1984, President Zia-ul-Haq promulgated an ordinance amending the Penal Code, which banned Ahmadis from calling themselves Muslims, using Muslim practices in worship and preaching or propagating their faith. Penalties under these provisions include a three-year prison sentence. Especially in the weeks following this announcement, Amnesty International received numerous reports of the arrest of Ahmadis throughout the country, many of whom were accused of preaching their faith or possessing or distributing literature about it. In early 1985, Mohammad Yusuf was brought to trial before a local magistrate in Mansehra, Nort West Frontier Province, on charges of having called the Azan (the Muslim prayer call), led congregational prayers, and observed Itikaf (a form of worship where one is engaged fully in prayer and meditation during the last 10 days of Ramazan) in the privacy of his own home. He was sentenced to one year's imprisonment and fined 500 rupees.

In February 1985 some dozens of Ahmadis were arrested especially in Faisalabad and Karachi for wearing badges inscribed with the *Kalima* (the Islamic creed). Although some of those arrested were released on bail, cases under the amendments to the Penal Code have been registered against them. Amnesty International believes that the arrest of members of the Ahmadiyya community for the expression of their religious belief and non-violent religious activities is contrary to international standards for the freedom and tolerance of religion and religious behavior.

Moreover, following the restrictions on the Ahmadiyya community of April 1984, some observers have noted that a situation has been permitted to develop in which Ahmadis may be subjected to assault, persecution or provocation by other non-Ahmadi citizens without law enforcement authorities providing adequate protection or redress. According to information received by Amnesty International, in one such incident in late October 1984 a group of some 50 non-Ahmadis are reported to have attempted to erase with paint verses from the Koran written on the walls of an Ahmadi place of worship in Sahiwal, Punjab province. Several Ahmadis who were already gathered there for morning prayers, including the Ahmadi caretaker, are said to have resisted this assault. During the incident which ensued, the caretaker fired a shotgun, reportedly in selfdefence, as a result of which two non-Ahmadis died. Although the caretaker is understood to have confessed to his responsibility for firing the fatal shots, six other Ahmadis were subsequently arrested and charged under the Penal Code with murder and other offences. Three of those arrested are reported not to have been present at the time of the incident, while the three others admit they were present at the place of worship but unarmed. All six persons as well as the caretaker are currently being tried by a special military court established in Sahiwal. When leaders of the Sahiwal Ahmadiyya community attempted to file a case alleging the desecration of their place of worship and an attack on individuals of their community, the police reportedly declined to record such a complaint.

JUDGES DEMAND RELIGIOUS FREDOM

Six former judges in Pakistan are demanding religious freedom in Pakistan. They have condemned the wave of brutalities being carried out against Ahmadies in Pakistan under the misconceived guise of Islamization declared by the present Pakistan regime of Gen. Zia-ul-Haq.

NEWS FROM PAKISTAN

DETAIL OF THE TORTURE OF AHMADIES BY THE POLICE ARRESTED IN DISTRICT THARPARKAR FOR WEARING KALIMA-BADGES

Police in Sind Province (Pakistan) arrested 119 Ahmadies in District Tharparkar merely for wearing Kalima-badges and have committed horrible atrocities upon them resulting in fractures, passing of blood in the urine, bleeding, and many had been unconscious because of brutalities and denial of food for over 24 hours. Following is a brief description of the tortures of Ahmadies by the police.

- 1. Mr. Waheed Ahmad & Mr. Tahir Ahmad (Noor Nagar Farm): They were arrested by the police for wearing Kalima-badges. They were beaten with clubs by five police-constables in turns, who demanded them to remove the badges of Kalima, which they declined. The policemen then climbed upon their bodies and beat them severely.
- 2. Mr. Mahmood Ahmad & Mr. Mukhtar Ahmad (Noor Nagar Farm): They were arrested for wearing badges of Kalima, and their hands and feet were chained. Then for continuous two hours they were made to hang in blazing sun from a tree. Later, when they asked for water, they were abused, and the policemen in their height of fury made them to sit on a hole of ants, and were again subjected to physical torture.
- 3. Mr. Salim Ahmad & Mr. Siddique Ahmad (Karim Nagar Farm): The police arrested them in Kunri and abused them in most profane language. They were then taken to the police station, where they were beaten by chains, and tortured severely. They were also threatened to be shot dead.
- 4. Mr. Ata Mohammad Baluch & Mr. Burhan Ahmad (Latif Nagar Farm): They were arrested by the police in Kunri for wearing the Kalima-badges. The police asked them why they were wearing these badges. They replied that they did so because of their love for Kalima. The policemen reacted furiously, and subjected them to tremendous physical torture. They were badly beaten with leather and were ordered to remove their badges which they refused.
- Mr. Mohammad Aslam & Mr. Mahmood Ahmad (Sadiq Pur): They were severely tortured by a Hindu police-constable who tore away their Kalimabadges from their bodies.

6. Mr. Dr. Mansoor Ahmad (kunri) & Mr. Tariq Ahmad (Mohamad Abad): They were stripped after their arrest. Five constables beat them badly on bare bodies with chains.

SAHIWAL CASE: On April 20, 1985, a full bench of the Martial Court visited the scene of crime, *i.e.*, our mosque. Our prisoners who have been kept on remand in Multan Prison were brought to Sahiwal a day earlier. They were served with breakfast and other meals by the Jamaat whilst they were there. The relatives of the prisoners and other members of the community had an opportunity to meet them. They were all cheerful and in high spirits. The way the witnesses pointed out to various places at the scene suggested that the deceased persons were shot from the back whereas the medical evidence clearly indicates that they had sustained wounds in the front part of their bodies. The hearing continues.

MURDER, AND ATTEMPTED MURDER OF AHMADIES:

MURDER, NAWABSHAH (SIND): On April 7, 1985, Mr. Abdul Razzaq, Ameer, Jamaat Ahmadiyya, Nawabshah, was shot at without any provocation, and died soon afterwards. The only reason of this cold blooded and brutal murder was that Mr. Razzaq was a prominent member of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

ATTEMPTED MURDER, KHAIRPUR (SIND): On April 24, 1985, at about 9 a.m., Chaudhry Munawar Ahmad Cheema, Ameer, Jamaat Ahmadiyya, Khairpur, was suddenly attacked with knives by our opponents. He sustained severe injuries around the neck and multiple injuries on his legs. By the Grace of Allah, he is now reported out of danger and his condition is said to be satisfactory. His assailants have not been arrested as yet.

RABWAH: On January 1, 1985, the Resident Magistrate, Rabwah, called the local President to his office and commented in a conciliatory tone. He said, the community had always cooperated with the authorities. He then asked for cooperation in the removal of Kalima from the Ahmadiyya mosques. The local President made it abundently clear that

Ahmadis would cooperate with the authorities in every lawful matter, but the Kalima was part and parcel of their faith and there was no question of their cooperation in the removal of Kalima.

SUMMARY OF ATROCITIES COMMITTED SINCE THE PROMULGATION OF THE ORDINANCE:

1. Martyrdom (murders)	8
2. Attempted Murder	3
3. Removal of Kalima from mosques etc.	139
4. Total Arrests for Wearing Kalima Badges	234
5. Books and Pamphlets confiscated	22

OPENING OF A NEW MISSION HOUSE IN SCOTLAND, U.K.

A new Ahmadiyya Mission house has opened in Glasgow, Scotland. Hazrat Ameerul Momineen graciously opened the new mission house on May 10, 1985, with Friday Prayers and Sermon. The building houses two halls and a separate apartment, and is located near Glasgow University, Calvin Hall and an Art gallery.

LOCAL JAMAATS' ACTIVITIES REPORT

ROCHESTER, N.Y.: Seeratun Nabi Day was selebrated in the Bicentennial Hall at Rochester. After recitation of the Holy Quran, Dr. A. Hakeem Nasr recited Arabic and Persian verses from the poems of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him. Firstly Mirza Naseer Ahmad spoke on the various aspects of the life of the Holy Prophet, peace be on him. He threw light especially on the opposition of the Meccans which the Holy Prophet, peace be on him, and his companions had to face patiently. He also stated that the single incidence of Khusro Parvez's death, according to the prophecy of the Holy Prophet, peace be on him, was sufficient enought to prove the truthfulness of the Holy Prophet.

The second speech was delivered by Ch. Tariq Ahmad. He narrated various events from the life of the Holy Prophet, peace be on him, showing his deep love for Allah and mankind. He raised the status of women and uplifted the standard of the poor who became so devoted to him that they were ready to sacrifice their lives for him and for the cause of Islam.

In the end lunch was served and the meeting ended after joint prayers.

TUCSON, Arlzona: Muhammad Ishaq Qureshi writes in his monthly report that Jamaat had regular Friday & Sunday prayers in the mosque. Members distributed the pamphlets "Pakistan Regime desecrating Kalima Tayyiba. Six members attended Annual Gathering of London. They brought back inspiring information, pictures of Hazoor & badges of Kalimah Tayyiba, which increased us in our faith. Spanish literature was distributed in Nogales Mexico. Holy Quran and Philosophy of the Teachings of

Islam were donated to the public library of Chandler, Arizona by Sajid Ahmad. He also gave these books to the visiting dignitaries from the Philippines.

Washington Metro Jamaat arranged weekly Darse Quran during the blessed month of Ramdan. Every Saturday brothers and sisters got together at Fazl Mosque at 7:00 p.m. Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad Sahib Ameer and Muballigh Incharge USA, after reciting a few verses from Holy Quran, delivered their commentary first in Urdu and then in English. Dars usually lasted upto the time of Aftar. After breaking the fast, Maghrib prayers were offered and then the meals were served.

All the arrangements for meals were organized and cooked by Lajna members of Washington Jamaat. Each week different Halqas were assigned the responsibility. By Allah's Grace every week elaborate and tasty meals were prepared. Many members stayed much longer afterwards and went home after Isha prayers. So with Allah's mercy we had a very blessed Ramdan filled with enlightened and spiritual atmosphere. A large number of brothers, sisters, and children came to participate in these spiritual gatherings and the total number of attendees usually reached up to 200.

Eid-ul-Fitr Celebrations: Washington Jamaat arranged its Eid-ul-Fitr prayers at Ft. Hunt Park, Mt. Vernon, Virginia. Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Ameer & Muballigh Incharge USA, led the Eid prayers and was happy to note that Eid was being celebrated in an open place according to the tradition of the Holy prophet (May Allah's blessing and peace be upon him).

A large number of Ahmadi members came from far off places including; Washington, Virginia, Maryland, and Pennsylvania. Many non-Ahmadi members also joined in the prayers. After prayers and sermon, members embraced happily and congratulated each other with 'Eid Mubarik'. Members were then served with fried chicken, ice cream, and many sweet dishes.

Tabligh Acticities: On two occasions Br. Maqbool Ahmad, Secretary Tabligh, spoke on radio. These radio broadcasts were arranged by the good efforts of Sister Saeeda Lateef. The topics discussed were 'Fasting' and 'The love of Allah'. Many leaflets were also distributed and preaching was conducted on an individual basis. May Allah bear abundant fruit to our meagre efforts of Tabligh. Amin!

General Meeting: Washington Metro Jamaat's general meeting for the month of July was held at Fazl Mosque on July 7, 1985. Meeting started with Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Ameer and Muballigh Incharge USA, reciting a few verses from the Holy Quran regarding the importance of Salat. Sheikh Sahib explained that there are 25 Quranic verses about the importance of Salat. Five daily salats keep us clean spiritually five times a day as bath can clean our bodies physically.

This was followed with Derse Hadith which was delivered by Mufti Ahmad Sadiq, Muballigh and Nigrane Maal. He recited the Hadith about spiritual aspect of the body and explained that each time a Friday prayer is missed by a Muslim, a black dot of clot appears on the spiritual heart. If this thing continues the whole heart becomes darkened and blackened spiritually.

After the general meeting, the auxiliaries held their own meetings. Ansaar continued their meeting in the mosque under the chairmanship of Dr. Shamim Ahmad, the local Zaeem. Their meeting started with the pledge of Ansaar and then Br. Ahmad Haleem spoke on the relationship of man and woman. This was followed by a thought provoking speech of Br. Nuruddin Al-Hadith. He encouraged the members to realize their potential and use these in an appropriate manner. Later Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad Sahib addressed the Ansaar briefly and made a committee to look into the activities of Ansaar and devise improvements. The meeting was concluded with collective Doa led by Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad Sahib.

Philadelphia, PA: Tabligh Activities: A meeting was held on March 10, 1985, at the Houston Hall of the University of Pennsylvania. The meeting was chaired by Bro. Bilal Abdus Salam who was introduced to the Christian audience as a former minister of great standing before his acceptance of Islam.

Rev. Ken Wallis and Mr. Lester Portier were among the speakers who spoke about the diety of Jesus. The main brunt of Rev. Wallis' speech was towards the atonement argument. The speech was well liked by the audience.

The chief guest was the Ameer & Muballigh Incharge, USA, Maulana Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad. He explained the concept of worship, the principles of religious and social life in Islam and explained how these principles affected the spiritual as well as material wellbeing of man.

The speeches were followed by a panel discussion.

April 28, 1985: A meeting was held at the Westminister Theological Seminary, Willow Grove, PA., from 2 to 5 p.m. Dr. Moses Sylvia spoke on the Inspiration of the Bible. His definition of revelation differed greatly from the Islamic version. Bro. Yahya Sharif spoke on the Holy Quran as the infallible word of God. He reiterated the Quranic challenge of producing a chapter or even a portion of it. Dr. Sylvia was presented with a copy of the Holy Quran by Maulana Inamul Haq Kausar, Missionary Northwestern Region, USA.

May 19, 1985: A meeting was held at the Houston Hall of the University of Pennsylvania from 2 to 5 p.m. The chief Christian speaker was Dr. Raymon B. Dillard, Profesor of Hebrew and the Old Testament at the Westmininster Theological Seminary, Willow Grove, PA. He spoke on the Biblical concept of Prophethood. Maulana Inamul Haq Kausar, Missionary Nortwestern Region, USA, spoke on the Comforter—An examination of the Biblical prophecies relating to the coming of the Comforter. The speeches were followed by discussion.

June 9, 1985: A meeting was held at the Nasir Mosque from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Bro. Naeem Ahmad commenced the program with the recitation from the Holy Quran. A translation of the Arabic text was read out by Bro. Fazl Ahmad who introduced the Holy Quran to the Christian audience. Bro. Fazl Ahmad explained Ahmadiyyat to the Christian scholars who had come from Ohio, Georgia, Min-

nesota, Maryland, and Seattle, Washington. The audience was given a narrative of the birth of Ahmadiyyat in Qadian, a brief history of the life of the Promised Messiah, his teachings, his challenge to the religions of the world, his claim to be the Promised Messiah and Mahdi. This was followed by a question-answer session. The program concluded with collective prayers from both sides. We, the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam, Philadelphia, request all our brothers and sisters all over the world and in the USA in particular, that Allah the Almighty grant every Ahmadi Muslim the best opportunities to spread the message of Islam all over the country.

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NEWS FROM LAJNA IMAILLAH USA

DAYTON: Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Amir and Missionary Incharge sent congratulations to the following Nasirats who have achieved outstanding academic excellence during this school year:

Nasira Begum Shafi and Naseera Muhammad for being inducted into the National Honor Society, Booker T. Washington Chapter; Mubarak Saleem, Amatul Quddus, Wasiyya Muhammad and Malika Saleem, all achieved listing on the honor roll of acadmic excellence at their school.

GREETINGS FROM SIERRA LEONE: Hajja Adama S. Deen, national president of the Sierra Leone Lajna Imaillah, and her niece, Hajja Fatima Conteh, have sent grateful salaams to all of their American sisters for the fine reception which they were accorded during their recent stay in the Washington, DC area; and they request prayers.

THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT REQUESTS: Sister Salma Ghani, national president of Lajna Imaillah USA has sent an urgent letter to all local Lajna presidents to continue to write protest letters to officials of the Government of Pakistan concerning the unprecedented persecution of the members of the Ahmadiyya Community of Pakistan. Local presidents, please act immediately to insure that such letters are written and mailed by each Lajna. Considering the untold sufferings of our brethren and their dear ones, this is a small task for us to undertake, in trying to help our cause.

NEWARK LAJNA: Lajna president Amtul Latif Zirvi participated in a Cable Television Program entitled "Women In Islam" on Channel 3, East Orange, New Jersey. The program also included two non-Ahmadi ladies. Topics discussed included Concept of God in Islam, Status of women in Islam, Relationship of Christianity and Islam, Holy Quran and the difference between Ahmadiyya and other Muslim sects.

Ahmadiyya literature was given to all persons connected with the program. Before the program was actually taped, Sister Amtul Latif Zirvi spent an hour and a half discussing the advent of the Promised Messiah (pbh), with the other guest speakers. The program was scheduled to be aired on March 20 and 28; and April 9, 1985 and once during the summer. Alhamdo Lillah! The Newark sisters have been very active in preaching to non-Ahmadi Muslims; and have sent excellent protest letters to Pakistani officials concerning the persecutions; they have also been sending letters to the editors of newspapers and news programs.

WASHINGTON, DC: Sister Saeeda Lateef, former National President of Lajna Imaillah is blessed to host a monthly program on Radio Station WPFW-FM. The program schedule is 3 pm to 6:45 pm. She opens the program with a Verse from the Holy Quran and so far has had as guest speaker, Brother Maqbool Ahmad Qureshi. He spoke on the meaning of Ramadhan. Other guests will also appear, Insha Allah. The broadcast takes place on the first Monday of each month. She is allowed to speak about aspects of Ahmadiyya and other Islamic information. She also makes public service announcements about community agencies.

PHILADELPHIA: Continues its ongoing dialogue with members of the Christian faith at the University of Pennsylvania and at various churches in Philadelphia. The sisters also have a continuous ad in the *Trading Times* newspaper which advertises Ahmadiyya Islam.

PITTSBURGH: The sisters have an on-going contract to advertise posters about Ahmadiyyat on 22 public city buses in Pittburgh.

ZION-WAUKEGAN-KENOSHA: The sisters are continuing to advertise Ahmadiyyat on buses in North Chicago area.

LAJNA MEMBERS UP TO DATE WITH DUES: Rochester, Philadelphia and Baltimore have all completed paying dues obligations for this year. Al hamdo Lillah! Washington, DC, Cleveland, New York, Zion-Waukegan, Willingboro, Detroit and Boston have paid up to date. (Also, Arizona).

Financial reports sent every month: Chicago, Milwaukee, Pittsburgh, Los Angeles, Dayton, York-Harrisburg, Newark and St. Louis. Seattle and Louisiana: Congratulations to these new Lajnas.

NEW YORK LAJNA: Congratulations to president Ruxana Nasser and all New York Lajna members for raising \$6,000.00 for the national Mosque Fund of the USA.

MAJLIS KHUDDAMUL AHMADIYYA USA

1985 ANNUAL IJTEMA TO BE HELD DURING LABOR DAY WEEKEND

The 1985 Annual Ijtema of the Majlis Khuddamul-Ahmadiyya, U.S.A., will be held on August 30, 31, and September 1, (Labor Day weekend) in the Detroit area, inshaallah. Further details of this ijtema will be provided in due course. Please start preparing for this important event.

An outline of various educational competitions to be held at the 1985 Annual Ijtema are described on the next page. Please train yourself to participate in these competitions.

IS YOUR MAJLIS SENDING REPORTS REGULARLY?

During Feb-Apr 85 period the National Qaaid received activity and/or financial reports only from St Louis (MO), Milwaukee, WI, San Fransisco, CA, Houston, TX, Tucson, AZ, Los Angeles, CA, and Miami, FL. It is one of the fundamental responsibilities of a Qaaid to make sure that monthly reports are sent regularly and on time. These reports should be sent on prescribed forms available from the National Qaaid. The majalis whose names do not appear above should take corrective action to remedy the situation.

REGIONAL IJTEMAS

The National Qaaid has requested all Regional

Qaaids to hold the Annual Regional Ijtemas in their respective Regions prior to the National Ijtema. Such Regional Ijtemas will serve as a training ground for our khuddam and atfaal to prepare themselves for the National Ijtema.

Important Addresses for the U.S.A. Khuddam

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Dear Khuddam/Atfaal,

Assalamo-alaikum wa rahmatullah.

The National Qaaid and his Nazims welcome you to this new format of your magazine, the Tariq. To solve the distribution problems, we have opted to send you the Tariq as a part of the USA Ahmadiyya Gazette published under the supervision of Maulana Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, the Ameer and Muballigh Incharge, USA. Articles, news items, letters, suggestions, etc, from the readers will be appreciated.

Wassalaam and jazakomollah.

Sajid, Editor, 4615 W. Boston St., Chandler, AZ 85224.

SHEIKH MUBARAK AHMAD'S VISIT TO UNITED KINGDOM AND EAST AFRICA

The Missionary Incharge (USA) left on April 3rd to visit the Jalsa Salana of the UK Jamaat where he delivered a rousing speech on the life and character of the Promised Messiah (pbh), "The Narrative of the Beloved". His address was extremely well received by the appreciative audience. He attended the Shura which was presided over by Khalifatul Masih IV, and participated in the discussion of Community matters. After conferring with officials, he was delegated to visit East Africa to observe the situation in that region. He returned to London on May 7 to brief Hazur on the prevailing conditions. After submitting his report to Hazur, he returned to Washington on

May 16, 1985. A highlight of his East Africa trip was the meeting with the President of Kenya, the Speaker of Parliament, and other ministers on matters of special importance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL CONVENTION: The 37th Annual Convention, USA, will be held (Insha Allah) during August 2, 3, and 4, 1985, at Madison, Wisconsin. For further information please contact Mufti Ahmad Sadiq, Missionary, USA.

MESSAGE OF AHMADIYYAT: Five thousand copies of Message of Ahmadiyyat were mailed all over the United States for distribution. Additional copies are available from the Fazl Mosque, Washington, D.C.

(In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful)

MAJLIS KHUDDAM-UL-AHMADIYYA - U.S.A.

OUTLINE of EDUCATIONAL COMPETITIONS for the 1985 ANNUAL IJTEMA

	NO.	COMPETITIONS	ATFAAL I (7-12)	ATFAAL II (12-15)	KHUDDAM (15-40)
	1	AZAAN	Calling only	Calling & Translation	Calling & Translation
	2	SALAAT	Arabic text Basic description	Arabic text & Translation Basic description & issues	Arabic text & Translation Full description & issues
ne Ahmadiyya Gazette 9	3	HOLY QUR AAN	Recitation (Ch. 1) Memorization without translation	Recitation (Ch. 1) Memorization without translation Memorization with translation	Recitation (Ch.2, V.256) Memorization without translation Memorization with translation
	4	AHADEES of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W.)	Memorization only	Memorization with & without translation	Memorization with & without translation
	5	ILHAMAAT of the Promised Messiah (A.S.)	Memorization .	Memorization	Memorization
	6	RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE		Written test	Written test
	7	PROMISED MESSIAH'S BOOK "FOUR QUESTIONS by a CHRIST	TIAN and their ANSWERS"	~-~	Written test
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BIRTHS: Mr. Mohammad Azim Qureshi and his wife Sister Amtul Karim are blessed with a son born on July 17th, 1985.

Mr. Shafiq ur Rahman and his wife Namood-i-Sahar are blessed with a daughter born on June 1, 1985. The new-born, named Nadia Rahman, is a grand daughter of Mian Ataur Rahman.

COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

ENGAGEMENTS

YORK: Mr. Azim Qureshi and his wife Amtul Kareem have announced the engagement of their daughter Farida to Harun Asad, son of Mrs. Zainab

Asad of York Jamaat. Members of both families and relations gathered in June at York. Imam Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Amir and Muballigh (USA) was present and led the prayer for the success of the marriage.

DEATHS:

It is with great sorrow and greief that we announce the death of Sufi Ghulam Muhammad, a Companion of the Promised Messiah (pbh) who passed away on April 23, 1985 at Rabwah. He was 85. He was a revered Companion of the Promised Messiah (pbh) and a servant of Ahmadiyyat. He was buried in Bahishti Maqbara, Rabwah (Pakistan).

We announce with sorrow and grief the death of Maulvi Nurul Haq Anwar who served the Ahmadiyya Community for many years as missionary in Kenya, The United States and Fiji.



A copy of the Holy Quran with commentary is being presented by Professor Dillard at the University of Pennsylvanisa, Philadelphia, by the Missionary Incharge, USA.





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FOREIGN NEWS:

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW JAMAATS

Mr. Hafeez Ahmad Shaid, Salikenni (Gambia) writes: Seven towns have been marked by us in order to establish Jamaats there, during this year. Every month I visit these towns, and for each town a separate team of Daee-Ilallah have been formed which makes endeavors to preach the message of truth there. By the Grace of Allah five people have already joined the Jamaat in these towns durning this year and we try and pray that Jamaats may be established in all seven towns.

Hazur-e-Aqdas has appreciated these efforts and remarked that if all missionaries resolve in the like manner with sacrifice and prayers, Allah will bless them with fruits of their efforts Insha Allah.

Mr. Hafiz Ahmad Jibrael Saeed - Techiman (Ghana) writes: A group of Ansar and Khuddam were trained in public preaching to convey the massage of Islam in the villages. The plan was to dispatch a group of two to four Ansar or khuddam to the villages to preach Islam and Ahmadiyyat, by holding question-answer sessions, sleep whenever night falls on them and continue to the next village. After a week the group is to return and another group should continue from where the first group ended. Two groups have been sent on experimental basis and the results are very encouraging.

Mr. Fazal Ilahi Anweri, Nigeria writes: Two new Jamaats have been established at Owho, and Ade-Aye in Abeokuta circuit. In Owho, the Jamaat is established as a result of the tablighi endeavors made by Owho Jamaat and in Ade-Aye, the Akitipupa-Community established Jamaat through their Tablighi efforts.

Mr. Daud Ahmad Hanif - Gambia writes: Tabligh planning committee formed 14 teams to whom 7 villages have been allocated which would be visited by them every week for establishing Tablighi contacts.

USE OF AIDIO-VISUAL AIDS FOR TABLIGH

Mr. Fazal Ilahi Anweri, Nigeria writes: Recording Centers have been established in Lagos and Kano. Since the Postal system in Nigeria does not function very well, contact has been made with a Press Agency, which has promised to send the cassettes to the places where we intend to send them. Furthermore Audio-video club has been established which held two meetings in which Hazur's Majlis Irfan Video cassettes were shown.

Mr. Daud Hanif - Gambia writes: The friday Sermon of Hazur-e-Aqdas was translated into madanka and reproduced in form of a cassette, which was sent to the Jamaats all over the country. The Video film of the inaugration of Spain - Mosque was telecasted through T.V. network.

DAI-ILALLAH SCHEME

Mr. Mahmud A. Cheema - Indonesia sent lists and figures of Daee-Ilallah of various Jamaats in Indonesia. Total number of the promises of Baiats collected from them till now are 2450.

Mr. Hafeez Shahid - Gambia writes: Twenty Daee-Ilallah preached to 1244 people through cassettes, 365 people through discussions, and 122 people through literature.

Mr. Daud Hanif - Gambia writes: In Banjul, 11 Daee-Ilallah preached to 340 people. In Farafini area 8 Daee-Ilallah preached to 247 people of 12 villages. In Salikin area 20 Daee-Ilallah conveyed massage of Islam and Ahmadiyyat to 687 people.