

Press Release

International Law Is a Law of the Jungle – It Is Not Permissible to Resort to It

﴿أَفَحُكْمَ الْجَاهِلِيَّةِ يَبْغُونَ وَمَنْ أَحْسَنُ مِنَ اللَّهِ حُكْمًا لِّقَوْمٍ يُوقِنُونَ﴾

“Then is it the judgement of [the time of] ignorance they desire? But who is better than Allah in judgement for a people who are certain [in faith].” [Surat Al-Ma'idah:51]

(Translated)

Under the patronage of Daniel Capoli, the Humanitarian Affairs Coordinator at the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) mission in Yemen, the ICRC in Sana'a organized, on Tuesday and Wednesday, 20–21/05/2025, in cooperation with the Ministry of Information and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a training course at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for media and press institution staff. The course addressed international law, its foundations and objectives, and the terminology related to international humanitarian law, particularly in terms of human rights in protection and dignified living, the prevention of violence, and responding to the needs of the most vulnerable groups covered by its protection, as well as protecting civilians from the effects of hostilities and the prohibition of unnecessary suffering or excessive harm.

What stood out in the training course on international law was the participation of the Deputy Minister of Information, Dr. Omar Al-Bukhaiti, who called for activating its principles and foundations among Yemeni media professionals. He emphasized the importance of media in highlighting the basic rules of international humanitarian law, praising the ICRC's continued support in Yemen in organizing such awareness programs related to the principles, foundations, and objectives of this humanitarian law and in introducing its rules. He urged the committee to intensify such courses for media and press personnel in Yemen. Also participating were the Dean of the Diplomatic Institute at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ambassador Dr. Ahmed Al-Imad, the Legal Adviser of the ICRC mission in Yemen, Mohammed Al-Nazili, and the official spokesperson of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ambassador Waheed Al-Shami. They all spoke in the seminar about defining international law, its rules and concepts, spreading awareness, and entrenching its principles.

All of this took place in the land of faith and wisdom Yemen, with the blessing of those in power in Sana'a who call themselves Ansar Allah! So then, what was the revolution for? What of the claims of change and construction? What of the hollow, false slogans?!

International law was founded in enmity to Islam and Muslims throughout all its phases: 1648, 1919, and 1945. Therefore, none of its ideas should be implemented in Muslim lands, nor promoted or called for. It contradicts Islamic creed and all solutions stemming from it to address the problems of human life. Were not the First and Second World Wars carried out under this same international law?

Has not the war between fellow Muslims in Yemen lasted 11 years under UN sponsorship, under Chapter VII, under the guise of maintaining global peace? And isn't the genocide in Gaza nearing two years also being conducted under the auspices of this same international law?

In Islam, relations between countries are based on the division of the world into Dar al-Islam (Abode of Islam) and Dar al-Harb (Abode of War), not on the basis of international law. Inter-state relations are based on equality and reciprocity, not a system where the UN Security Council has two classes of members: permanent ones with veto power, and non-permanent ones without it!

Hizb ut Tahrir has a clear Sharia-based vision on foreign policy and international relations, just as it does for the systems of governance, economy, society, and more, to organize the affairs of life under the second Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly-Guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood. As for appeasing the disbelievers, following in their footsteps, and taking support from them, this is political suicide, clear betrayal, and treason against Islam and Muslims.

We in Hizb ut Tahrir will continue to expose the criminal agents, raise awareness among the sons of the Ummah, confront the kafir (disbelieving) West and its agents, stand up to them, and lead the Ummah toward its ultimate goal: the resumption of the Islamic way of life by establishing the Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly-Guided Caliphate). ﴿وَاللَّهُ غَالِبٌ عَلَىٰ أَمْرِهِ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾ **“And Allah is predominant over His affair, but most of the people do not know.”** [Surat Yusuf:21]

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