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The Amīr/National President
Jamā‘at Ahmadīyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfa-tul-Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 19th March 2021 from Mubarak Mosque Islāmabad, Tilford, UK.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Summarising the events that took place after the martyrdom of Ḥaḍrat ‘Uthmān (May Allāh be pleased with him), Ḥaḍrat Musleh Mau‘ūd (May Allāh be pleased with him) says: Now that the miscreants had full control over Medina, they did some truly outrageous things. For three days they did not allow Ḥaḍrat ‘Uthmān’s (May Allāh be pleased with him) body to be buried until some Companions managed to bury him in the dark of the night.

The Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) had made some prophecies regarding Ḥaḍrat ‘Uthmān (May Allāh be pleased with him). One day the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) entered an orchard and instructed Ḥaḍrat Abu Musa al-Ash‘ari to stand guard at the door. When Ḥaḍrat Abu Bakr and Ḥaḍrat ‘Umar (May Allāh be pleased with them) came, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) granted them permission to enter and also gave them the glad-tidings of Paradise. Ḥaḍrat ‘Uthmān (May Allāh be pleased with him) came next. After a short pause, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) permitted him to enter, gave him the glad-tidings of Paradise, and said that a great calamity would befall him.

On another occasion, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) was on the mountain of Uhud along with Ḥaḍrat Abu Bakr, Ḥaḍrat ‘Umar, and Ḥaḍrat ‘Ali (May Allāh be pleased with them), when the mountain started shaking. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) said: “O Uhud! Be still! You have a Prophet, a Siddīq and two martyrs upon you.”

On one occasion, while speaking of a *fitna*, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) pointed to Ḥaḍrat ‘Uthmān (May Allāh be pleased with him) and said that he would be killed in this *fitna* and would be the victim of an injustice.

After the martyrdom 30.5 million dirhams and 1 lac 50 thousand dinars of Ḥaḍrat ‘Uthmān (May Allāh be pleased with him), which were in the custody of the treasurer, were looted. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The fact that a treasurer had been appointed to take care of the money shows that it was part of the national treasury. Ḥaḍrat ‘Uthmān (May Allāh be pleased with him) also left 200,000 dinars in charity.

Regarding the physical features of Ḥaḍrat ‘Uthmān (May Allāh be pleased with him), it is related that he was of medium height and wheatish complexion, and had a handsome face

and soft skin. His beard was thick and long. He would come for the Friday prayer wearing two yellow sheets and holding a cane.

When the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) wrote a letter to the Roman emperor, he had a silver ring made on which the words "محمد رسول الله" were inscribed. After the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him), this ring remained with Ḥaḍrat *Abu Bakr*, Ḥaḍrat *'Umar* and then Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with them). However, at the time of Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him), it fell into a well called *Arīs*. A thorough search was carried out for three days and even the water of the well was drained, but the ring could not be found.

On one occasion, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) said, "Every Prophet has a companion, and my companion in Paradise will be *'Uthmān*."

On one occasion, the miscreants raised some objections regarding Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him), such as his absence from the Battle of *Badr*, his escape from the battle of *Uhud*, and his absence at *Bai'at-e-Rizwān*. Ḥaḍrat *'Abdullah bin 'Umar* explained to them that Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān's* (May Allāh be pleased with him) wife was ill at the time of *Badr* and that the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) had instructed him to stay back and take care of her. As for his escape from *Uhud*, this was something that had been forgiven by Allāh. As far as his absence from *Bai'at-e-Rizwān* is concerned remember if there was anyone more honourable than Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) in Mecca, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) must have sent him instead of Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) as his emissary to the idolaters. Moreover, at the time of *Bai'at-e-Rizwān*, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) pointed to his own left hand and said, "This is *'Uthmān's* hand."

The expansion of the Holy Prophet's (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) Mosque took place during the Khilāfat of Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him). Despite the reservations of some of the Companions, he started the construction in the month of *Rabi'-ul-Awal*, 29 AH, and it was completed in just ten months. Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) himself supervised the construction. The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says, "I liken Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) to Ḥaḍrat *Suleimān* (Peace be upon him), for he too had a great passion for building. The Holy Prophet's (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) Mosque was built with palm branches, but since Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) was fond of building, he replaced it with a brick structure. Since the names *Suleimān* and *'Uthmān* rhyme with one another, I feel that this is why they had such affinity."

In 26 AH, Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) renewed the markings of the *Haram* in order to carry out an expansion of *Masjid-e-Harām*. The first Islāmic fleet was built in the time of Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) in 28 AH.

Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) resembled the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) most in his morals. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) said to his daughter who was Ḥaḍrat *'Uthmān's* (May Allāh be

pleased with him) wife, “Treat ‘*Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) in the best manner, for he is the most excellent of my Companions in his morals.” It is narrated that none of the Companions of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) could express himself more eloquently and beautifully than ‘*Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him).

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: I will end the account of Ḥaḍrat ‘*Uthmān* (May Allāh be pleased with him) now and announce some funeral prayers to be offered today.

1. *Mubashir Ahmad Rind Sahib*, son of *Ahmad Bakhsh Sahib*, *Mu’allim* Waqf Jadīd, who passed away on 10th March. He served as *Mu’allim* and inspector in various localities of Pakistan. He was very hardworking and devout and punctual in his *Tahajjud*. He is survived by his wife, two sons and three daughters.
2. *Munir Ahmad Farrukh Sahib*, former Amīr Jamā‘at Islamabad (Pakistan), passed away in Canada on 9th March at the age of 84 after a long illness. He had bequeathed 1/9th of his income/property to the scheme of Wasiyyat. He was an electrical engineer and had retired from Pakistan Telecommunication Limited in 1997 as Director General. He also served as *Qā’id Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya*, Rawalpindi. After his transfer to Islamabad, he was first appointed as Deputy Amīr and then, in 1999, as Amīr of Islamabad district. He was a member of the Central Finance Committee, Director of *Fadl-e-Umar* Foundation, and Executive Member of IAAAE. He is survived by a wife, two sons and two daughters.
3. *Brigadier Retired Muhammad Latif Sahib*, former Amīr of Rawalpindi District, passed away on 28th February at the age of 77. After his retirement in 2000, he devoted his time to the service of the Jamā‘at. From 2019 till his demise he served as Amīr of Rawalpindi District. He is survived by a wife, two sons and two daughters.
4. *Konok Baik Omur Bakuf* of Kyrgyzstan passed away on 22nd February at the age of 67. He was among the earliest Aḥmadīs from Kyrgyzstan. He accepted Aḥmadiyyat in 2000. He was a sincere and devoted Aḥmadī. He participated in the Jamā‘at’s programs and Chandas, was regular in his *Tahajjud* and was deeply devoted to Khilāfat. He is survived by his wife and a seven-year-old son.

May Allāh have mercy on all the deceased and grant them lofty station in heaven. *Amīn*.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

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Additional Wakīlut Tabshīr

ISLAMABAD (UK)

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