The Victimization of America

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Certainly, the attacks on the United States have roots. As an Arab, I understand why so many Arabs and Moslems hate the US and look at it as a power of evil. The US is being accused of robbing the wealth of the Arabs and insisting on dominating over the Arab countries particularly the Gulf States. It is also pointed at as a supporter of Arab and Moslem dictatorships that have no respect for basic human rights. But above all, the US is the prime supporter of Israel which is considered as a strange cancerous body in the area. The US extends economic, political, diplomatic and military aid to Israel without the least consideration for Arab feelings, and puts so much effort to obstruct attempts toward Arab independence or unity. For the sake of Israel, partially at least, the US has so far attacked Libya, The Sudan, Iran, Afghanistan, the Syrian troops in Lebanon and Iraq, and have been imposing embargoes in one way or another on these countries. Besides, the US has been trying relentlessly to prevent Arabs and Moslems from acquiring weapons of mass-destruction at the time it doesn't even criticize Israel's nuclear arsenal.

On the other hand, the Arabs have a very long history in seeking the heart of the US. So many Arab leaders have been trying for several decades to explain to the US the importance of mutual interests based on friendship, and some of them have been behaving as puppets. So many Arab intellectuals, writers and lecturers have been trying to convey a message of friendship and cooperation, but the American leadership has been irresponsive and insulting. At high times when there is a kind of cooperation or a rising trust in American policy in the area, the US president announces more military or economic aid to Israel disregarding completely the fact that the Arabs have feelings, that they are humans. And the American president would bluntly justify that peace in the Middle East would be only brought about through strong Israel.

American policy towards Arabs and Moslems goes extravagantly beyond reason to the extent that the one would think that this great country is actually run by amateurs who have a very slight knowledge of psychology, or whose hearts have been driven away from the truth. There is a great Arab nation that counts hundreds of millions, extends over an area stretching from the Atlantic to the gulf and rests over great wealth looking toward a friendship with the US, but receives only defiance, humiliation and an endless chain of bombs falling from American made warplanes.

As events unfolded, it became clear that the US is not actually interested in friendship with the Arabs based upon mutual respect but in subjugating them. Somebody might listen to Arab leaders appraising the relationship with the US as built on equal-footing, but these are dictators who are very much hated by their own peoples and are not an illuminating source for understanding Arab feelings toward the US. Over the years, the US has persistently and intentionally kept pushing the Arabs into a corner and mounting its pressures against them to the point that the law of physics concerning pressure and explosion became applicable to the behavior of Arabs toward the US. Some Americans

might argue against this, but here I am just conveying how the majority of the Arabs perceive and understand the situation.

It is unfortunate that the US has been manipulated namely by Zionist and Jewish pressure groups to an extent that it lost direction and discretion in building healthy relations with the Arabs. The Zionist and some Jewish machinery has been pumping so much faulty information about the Arabs and Moslems in an effort to mislead the Americans and create a negative public attitude against them. This machinery has so much media and financial power, and dug so deep into the American system of elections and the influence connected with it. These lobbies together with Israel have been working hard on American Congressmen and the white house so as to insure the continuous flow of aid for Israel at the expense of the Arabs, and have been utilizing the concept of anti-Semitism to the utmost in an effort to terrorize Americans from expressing themselves or questioning American policy in the Middle East.

Israel and the lobbies connected with it have not only been monopolizing American policy in the Middle East but also have been working hard on distorting the image of the Arabs and the Moslems. Due to their propaganda, misconceptions about the Palestinians, the Arabs and the Moslems have developed and intensified. And due to Arab unwillingness to counteract, the American public still unaware of the profits America gains from trading with the Arabs and of the of the annual $3.2 billion in economic and military aid America has been furnishing for Israel.

The result must be clear. Hatred of the US in Arabia and the Moslem world has been soaring. There are hundreds of millions of frustrated and furious Arabs and Moslems who could be easily mobilized. At the end, it is the Americans, the Arabs and the Moslems who pay the price. What about Israel and the Zionist and Jewish lobbies in the US? They are now setting there pouring more fuel on the already blazing fire.

The Moslems and the Arabs would love to have a friendly US, but American politicians and the American public should free themselves from misconceptions and Zionist manipulations. Part of this is Arab and Moslem responsibility, but it should be stated clearly that Arab and Moslem public opinion remains very sensitive to an American foreign policy that favors Israel. Instead of waging an attack or imposing an embargo on Arab and Moslem countries every now and then, the Americans need to learn that the stronger victimizes himself if he always thinks that power need not be coupled with wisdom.