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Editorial

Terrorism should be fought; either by arms or fund freeze

With an overwhelming majority of votes, US House of Representatives has reportedly approved a conditional defense fund to Pakistan, where reports about the ouster of militancy and Islamic militants training centers by some certain extremist circles are now making hot media topics.
The lower house of the congress recently, by a voice vote approved the defense fund to Pakistan, a condition requiring it to maintain 'security' along the ground lines of communication through Pakistan taking demonstrable steps to support counterterrorism operations...
The conditioned military fund to Pakistan has been said to entail Islamabad of showing needed progress in the fight on terrorism and all the threats posed by other terrorist networks based in the country.
However, Pakistan is still rejecting the allegations that it supporting and allowing terrorist groups inside its soil, but long activities of Haqqani terrorist network, Lashkar-e-Tayyiba, Jangvi etc. are frustrating people in the two countries.
Preventing the dangerous network (Haqqani hard-liners' camp inside Pakistan) of using North Waziristan as safe haven and most importantly Pakistan's active coordination with Afghanistan to restrict the influence of militants along the two countries borders, are also said to have been from the conditions referred to Islamabad to opt as parts of the conditions if it wanted to continue receiving the annual fund.
Immediate release of Shabli Afridi, whom US Congress is admitting it as an international hero, is also one of the conditions lodged in the potential budget to military aids to Pakistan.
'Today Congress took a step forward to end Pakistan's betrayal of the US with the addition of an additional certification requirement,' said a Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee and chairman of subcommittee on terrorism non-proliferation & trade who proposed to withhold reimbursement funding for Islamabad, unless it is not providing military financial or logistical support to those individuals, the US has designated as a terrorist operating in the two neighboring countries.
The people of Afghanistan welcomed the decision taken by the US House of Representatives and asked the friendly country that under the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) passed by the lower house, Pakistan's support to the known terrorists should be assessed prior to handing the high amount of USD to Islamabad.
And Pakistan, in its turn, should join Afghanistan in an honest war on terrorism and elimination of the rest of the militants' hideouts inside its soil as well as joining hand to arrest extremism and the circles providing them finance and training along the two countries borders to defend both great nations.
Terrorism would get further strengthened and powerful unless the two countries join hands to fight the vicious phenomenon.

Press Review

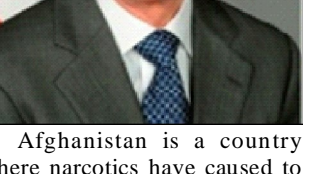
The Balkh daily: Considering negligence from nature of terrorist in a big risk for the region and the world countries, the state-run paper in its editorial said that the Russia and Central Asia countries are accused of dividing bad and good terrorism, but should know that they can't separate terrorism, because, they are terrorist as well the enemy of humanity.
The Aini daily: The state-run paper in an article considered new US strategy towards Afghanistan as positive, adding that soon the US would announce its new strategy. The experts and the Afghan government say that the United States should seriously fight insurgents and destroy their financial sources as well must specify the issues in this strategy, the paper added.
The News daily: Calling sectarian conflicts as the main obstacles ahead of development in the country, the private paper in an article said that the ethnic problems in Afghanistan have been changed into a hot and serious issue. Therefore, the government leaders, political parties and civil society organs for getting rid of these challenges should take practical and logical strategies in hand, the paper added.
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Militancy, restoration of peace

Discussion on terrorism is one of the basic, serious and decisive issues as its interpretation and military-political orientation because it could be effective in success or failure of our war against the phenomenon. Since our one and only goal, Afghanistan's free and democratic society, has been fighting terrorism, while our only this struggle has resulted in no substantial achievement but security situation has been deteriorating every day.
In the context of presence of international military coalition in Afghanistan, there was a joint, serious determination by members against terrorist groups and their supporters that full defeat and elimination and due to their removal the coalition achieved the big step result in a short time. The Taliban forces collapsed and Taliban insurgents with their Al-Qaeda support have been eliminated from Afghanistan territory.
Pakistan re-support of Taliban and Al-Qaeda and their accommodation in its soil was a dangerous and political security analysis undertaken by the US government and other members of the coalition. The Pakistani authorities consider the greater of their warm relations with the US, need to keep away presence of fighting terrorism and Taliban in its soil from the view of the world community. It is one hand and need to separate Taliban from other terrorist groups and cover face of the world community that the Taliban are not hostile and they have strictly political problem with the Afghan government on the other.
In fact these parties spread the way for return of Taliban to Afghanistan. The international forces who didn't enjoy essential coordination first and secondly didn't follow a clear and certain policy against Taliban, failed to prevent Taliban influence and advance into Afghanistan.
In subsequent years, a further repeated policy was followed by the Afghan government and the world community. Taliban were recognized as a major insurgent component of the politics, which were followed years before by the world community.
Although majority of media and political, security analysts had criticized these policies in that time and other harmful for Afghanistan peace and stability but this criticism were not heard and

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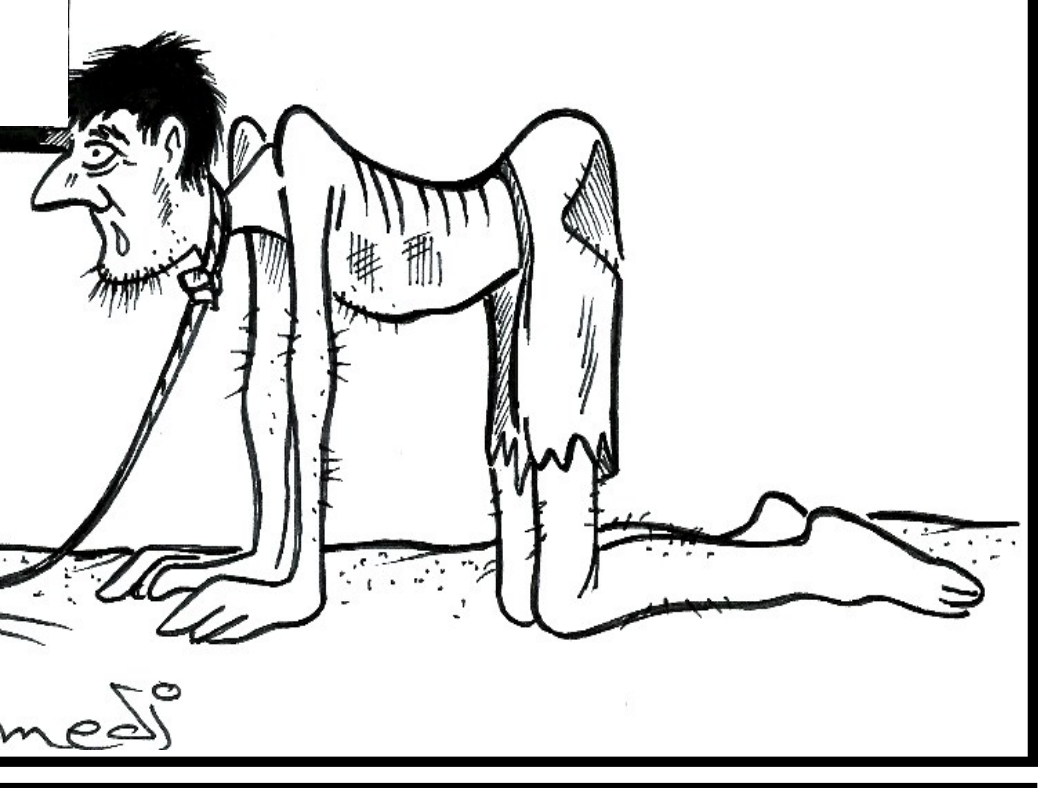
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the Taliban were called "Brodsky" by the highest political leader of Afghanistan. Taliban commanders and leaders were released from jails, a number of Taliban leaders were removed from the UN black list and various meetings were organized in and Taliban operations. Taliban were allowed to open their political office in Qandahar.

Such measures gave legitimacy to Taliban and changed the way for return of Taliban to Afghanistan. The international forces who didn't enjoy essential coordination first and secondly didn't follow a clear and certain policy against Taliban, failed to prevent Taliban influence and advance into Afghanistan.

In present over the attacks, explosions and suicide operations are taking place by Taliban. When we are not able to fight against Taliban like place with him and its, what does we do better than in Afghanistan?

Nowadays too, the policy of world community and certain domestic circles are concentrated more on peace with Taliban. This policy is based further on this pre-conception that worldwide Taliban are an objective military-political reality and the Afghan

crisis cannot be concluded sans understanding with this group. In this policy, the first principle is making peace with Taliban.
The Afghan people don't seek solution of Afghanistan crisis as continuation of war. Peace talks are of the peace, national and free will cooperation with the Taliban one could bring Taliban to peace talks table.

The Afghan people believe that no measure should be inevitably taken for restoration of peace.
Military pressure should be maintained on Taliban militants and their maneuver capability should be restricted to remove risks and road area. It means intensification of war for access to peace.

Economic-political pressures should be imposed on Taliban and other terrorism supporters so they be forced to prefer political solution to military one.
So strictly competition and civility with those who are not loyal to human rights values don't believe in national interests being so much except further complication of situation, proceeding of destroying war and deepening of ongoing crisis.

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