Presidential Backing Of Jihadist Herdsmen Is Official Confirmation That Nigeria Is Under Jihad

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The latest attacks on the Government and People of Ondo State by the Presidency of Retired Major Gen Muhammadu Buhari through a Presidential Media Aide, Mallam Garba Shehu concerning the latter’s conspiratorial backing of the terror jihadist activities of the Fulani Herdsmen going on in the State’s forests especially its Forest Reserves, are an official confirmation that the country is under jihad perpetrated by the Government backed local and ‘imported’ Fulani ‘Janjaweeds’.

The intensity, boldness and vigor with which the ‘caretaker’ of the country’s public affairs has come out to defend ‘the Janjaweeds’ and their jihadist activities are a further confirmation that the present Government of Nigeria through the country’s military especially the Nigerian Army has been responsible for violent movement and permanent settlement of local and imported jihadist Fulani Herdsmen in forests, bushes and farmlands across the country’s rainforest regions especially the Christian held areas of the Old Middle Belt, South-south, Southeast and Southwest.

This was made possible and achievable through an unreported ‘forest mapping’, conducted by the Nigerian Army across Nigeria months after the swearing in of the Buhari Government in 2015. Though camouflaged as done for purpose of ascertaining the number of forests in each State/Region as ‘a proactive and preventive strategy in the country’s counterinsurgency operations’; but it is becoming independently clearer the real motive behind the exercise discreetly disclosed to Intersociety in 2019 by some of its friends in the military.

The implementation of the exercise, now in the open, had included (a) movement of the Jihadist Janjaweeds with outlawed weapons including assault rifles which started in 2016, (b) tying the acceptance of the jihadists’ movement into the affected forests to governorship polls in the affected States whereby the Govs were coerced into accepting same in return for ‘their installation through presidential protections’ and (c) execution of the exercise using the military especially the Nigerian Army; disguised as ‘Army ranching’, routine movement of the soldiers and their officers, posting of officers of Northern Muslim extraction to man strategic military formations in the affected areas and use of annual military operations such as ‘Python Dance’, ‘Crocodile Smile’, etc.

It is therefore shocking that the present Government of Nigeria put in place to oversee the affairs including collective security, safety and welfare of all Nigerians and their 387 ethnic nationalities that are spiritually and morally attached to the country’s three dominant religions: Christianity, Islam and traditionalism; has dangerously converted the country to ‘jihadist Fulani Caliphate’. The vehemence with which the Presidency singles out Fulani tribe and Islam as ‘the noble tribe’ and ‘religion’ and others as ‘slaves’ and ‘condemned’, clearly solidifies our position.

We hereby stand strongly in solidarity with Yoruba leaders and other social forces that have risen in strong condemnation of the conspiratorial body language and rabid partisanship of the Presidency. We particularly align ourselves with the position of Mr. Olu Adegboruwa, SAN in condemnation of bastardization of Section 41 of the 1999 Constitution by the Presidency. The Presidency, indeed, is dangerously turning the Constitution upside down as no section of same allows jihadist terror groups like Fulani Jihadists to violently move and permanently settle in ancestral forests and bushes or farmlands belonging to another ethnic nationality, disguised as ‘rural cattle grazing or grazing routes’; but with clear motive of propagating radical Islamism.

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