

CHANGING REGIME
chedet.co.cc
February 28, 2011

1. The people of Tunisia and Egypt have overthrown their Governments. A number of people have been killed in the process. More will follow before the uprisings will be over. Now comes the problem of setting up new Governments which would make the struggle and the sacrifices worthwhile. If the new Governments fail then all the struggles and sacrifices would have been in vain.

2. I am sure that the people would want to see a democratic Government, a Government of the people, by the people, for the people.

3. This sounds great but Government by the people will not be so easy. You cannot have the people directly governing themselves. You will need to have a new constitution and political parties which will enable representatives of the people to form the Government. For this, elections will have to be held. Unfortunately elections can be manipulated.

4. There will be a rush to grab for power by nationalists and by opportunists. It will not always be the good people who will win to form Governments. The idea of people choosing their leaders sounds very democratic but the people may not be savvy as to the quality of the candidates. Sectarian loyalties, money and narrow-mindedness may bring instability, economic regression and even anarchy.

5. The administrative machinery would need to be revamped and retrained as they would not be familiar with the democratic system. The police and military will have to understand professionalism i.e. that they will be the permanent part of the Government as against the elected Government which will last only as long as they manage to retain the support of the people.

6. The professional administrators, military and police must learn to be subservient to the elected Governments even when they are changed by the electorate through periodic elections. Their political affiliations will be private as they will have to serve whichever party forms the Government. It is going to be hard. The temptation to seize power will plague the minds of many.

7. Both the elected and permanent members of the Government will wield power to some degree. Power corrupts and will affect the performance of the Government. It is not necessary that the Government which replaces the old regime will be free from corruption. The people may have to try to remove the Government again and again with no certainty the replacements would be any better.

8. I pray and hope that the people who had suffered so much under the old regimes and suffered more in their present struggle will be rewarded with Governments that they had dreamed off.

62 Comments

By OrangLamaAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 11:54 PM

Salam,

Ada beberapa perkara yang perlu diambil iktibar:

1. Pemimpin mewah, rakyat sengsara

Masalah dengan beberapa negara Arab ini ialah pemimpin depa terlalu lama memerintah. Pemimpin hidup senang lenang tetapi rakyat semakin merasai kesukaran hidup dengan kenaikan harga barang². Saya berpendapat ini sebab utama BN kala banyak PRU lepas. Bila ada seorang pemimpin yang lantang menentang (tak kira bersifat opportunist atau tidak) maka seperti letupan gunung berapi lah akibatnya. Dah lama rakyat depa tak simpan persaan marah dan tidak puas hati,cuma tunggu saat nak meletup.

Rakyat tak kisah jika pemerintahn sesuatu regim adalah lama asalkan rakyat mendapat nikmat yang mencukupi. Jangan pemimpin asyik hidup serba mewah tapi rakyat hidup sengasara.Zaman pemerintahan Khalifah Islam dulu tak ada masalah walaupun lama mereintah kerana rakyat rata²nya puas hati dengan corak pemerintahan yang adil.

Pemimpin Malaysia kena laksanakan "Kepimpinan Melalui Tauladan"

2. Ketidakstabilan negara dan rantau

Rusuhan dan demonstrasi berterusan mungkin membawa kepada banyak masalah lain. Ambil masa yang lama untuk kembali stabil. Saya doakan apa yang berlaku di negara² Arab ini memberi faedah kepada penyatuan negara² Islam.

Di Malaysia, InsyaAllah aman kerana kerajaan lebih terbuka. Ada pilihanraya bebas, suara rakyat lebih bebas. Banyak tangkapan rasuah melibatkan orang² kenamaan, salahguna kuasa dibawa ke mahkamah dan lain². Ini semua dapat membantu negara yang lebih aman ,makmur dan sentosa.

By soupichAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 10:34 PM

Salam semua,

ingin saya rujuk By demi masaAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 12:11 PM

satu peristiwa sedang Nabi bersama sahabat telah didatangi seorang yang bukan dari kalangan mereka dan seolah dari satu perjalanan yg jauh telah bertanya Nabi tentang islam,iman dan ehsan.

Maka nabi menjawab bahawa Islam adalah mengucap dua kalimah syahadat, solat 5 waktu,puasa bulan romadhan,zakat dan menunaikan haji apabila cukup syaratnya. Maka orang itu membenarkan perkataan Nabi tersebut... dan seterusnya pertanyaan tentang iman dan ehsan..... Maka nabi akhirnya menjelaskan orang tersebut adalah malaikat jibrail.

Tapi apa yang nak saya nyatakan adalha bahawa apa yang dinyatakan oleh nabi tersebut adalah tentang rukun Islam iaitu struktur utama kepada islam. Ibarat tiang, jika tiada tiang bagaimana dinding,tingkap,pintu,bumbung dapat dikukuhkan untuk menjadi sebuah bangunan.

jadi dimana letaknya bab nikah kawin,jual beli,munakahat,had dan batasan (hudud), ketenteraan, pentadbiran negara dalam islam kenapa tidak diletakan sebagai rukun kepada

Islam.

Jika sedara dilahirkan di Israel, Rusia, Spore n USA, adakah saudara telah dikira tidak Islam, kerana negara Islam tak wujud di sana?
Sesungguhnya Ilmu Allah Taala itu sangat dalam, maka akan sesiakah umat islam diseluruh dunia kerana tidak wujudnya negara Islam?

akhirnya lihatlah kedalam diri sendiri sedalam-dalamnya sebelum melihat orang...
wallahua'lam.

By HOT ZOOMAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 10:21 PM

Dunia Arab bergolak. Kenapa semua itu berlaku. Jadilah pemimpin yang dihormati. Hosni Mubarak, Muammar Gaddafi dan pemimpin arab yg lain sedang menuju kehancuran... bagaimana dengan Gaza.... siapa nak pertahankan jika pergolakan dalaman ini berterusan.. wahai pemimpin islam pimpinlah rakyatmu mengikut Al Quran dan sunnah Rasul

<http://bloginfo4uall.blogspot.com/2011/03/jpj-langgar-perlembagaan-halang.html>

By zmokhtar@gmail.comAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 10:17 PM

Thoughtful words from the Tun.

BN (UMNO) could learn a thing or two from the political upheaval in the Middle East. The political background may be different, but the issues are similiar - employment, the cost of living, and the accessibility of the government.

By al-DinAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 9:59 PM

Regime change is here. Bastardization (to borrow Nazir's) of the governance system is led by none other than the leader himself.

1. What a corrupt policy giving money pre bye-elections. Isn't that buying votes? Legacy of the sleepy-head!

- 10m for Kerbau. It appears that the basic infrastructure of water supply is substandard. It did not happen yesterday but has been that way for years. Who is not doing their job?

- what about the millions for Sibu, Tenang, Merlimau ...?

2. If the above is the way it should work than we should opt for more bye-elections. The deadwood politicians should retire or die. Only then development will come in (provided BN win).

3. Whose money is that? I left IJN they get 5m! Renovate my residence 65m.

4. 27m to renovate Kg Baru mosque - failed to see what Kg Baru really need, wholesome development and not to put wool over our eyes and hence to take the heat away from the 65m renovation work. Mudah sahaja hendak diamkan orang Melayu - kelemahan mereka agama, masjid. The mosque may need renovation but more things could be done with that kind of money.

5. The ETP, high income economy and Permata are but a farce. The beneficiaries are not the ordinary people but the previledged and elites. The cost of living is sky-rocketting. Abundant food and rice is what the rakyat need.

6. First lady and Eva Peron approach doesn't work here.

By zam werewolfAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 9:09 PM

Assalamualaium Tun yang amat saya sayangi.

Kejadian-kejadian yang berlaku di timur tengah ini pada saya rasa terjadi sebab rakyat mereka dah terlalu lama menahan sabar dan sakit hati dengan pemerintah.

Maaflah Tun. Ingat tak dulu sebelum Tun menyerahkan kuasa PM yang disandang dulu pada Pak Lah. Saya dengar dulu tu pun kalau Tun masih terus memerintah Kerajaan sekarang dah tumbang pada pembangkang. Nasib baik hati rakyat yang panas masa tu dapat disejukkan kembali bila Pak Lah ganti Tun.

Terima kasih Tun. Disebabkan tindakan Tun tu kita masih berada di dalam keadaan aman. Alhamdulillah.

Tun, saya bersyukur negara kita sekarang bersikap lebih terbuka mendengar luahan-luahan, rasa sakit hati, tak puas hati di media cetak atau di alam siber. Tak taulah apa akan jadik kalau emosi-emosi rakyat ini masih dipenjara atau dikongkong. Pasti akan meletup bila-bila masa..dan akhirnya luahan-luahan ini dibawa ke jalanan. Cukuplah dulu pada 1998. Rusuhan-rusuhan yang maha bongok lagi bangang yang dilakukan oleh golongan-golongan yang tidak pandai bersyukur ini.

Terima kasih Tun.

p/s masih menunggu apa nasib singapura nanti. Dengan sikap kuat mengongkong pemimpin. Kiasu. Pasti satu hari nanti bebola-bebola api yang ada di dalam hati rakyat mereka akan meletup bila-bila masa.

By rivermanAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 7:08 PM

Dear Tun,

I strongly agree with you. It will be good if Tun can come out with such good article everytime.

A populist democratic government may not be the best governmetn if the rakyat is not mature enough. Not every country is as mature as Europe.

A not so popular leader with good vision and well chart plan is the one the country needs.

Riverman

By pakbelalangAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 6:50 PM

Dear Tun,

Democracy is an evil system. Democracy does not mean anything. It is a fake system. The best system is Islamic system. Malaysia will be a true Islamic State (not ala PAS) when our population reaches 50 million people. There will be either a peaceful or bloody revolution in 50 years time to change the system to Islamic State. This is my prediction. I am drawing my prediction on the following assumptions;

1. 80 per cent of the population will be Muslims.
2. Most of European countries have majority Muslim population.
3. Most of the leaders will be Muslim scholars having influence from Middle Eastern countries who are now slowly and surely enjoying freedom from authoritarian rules. The democratic system will fail in the Middle East countries. All will revert to Islamic system of government.

By Riza AhmadAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 6:36 PM

Dear Tun and Readers,

Khutbah Terakhir Rasulullah SAW...

Wahai Manusia, dengarlah baik-baik apa yang hendak ku katakan. Aku tidak mengetahui apakah aku dapat bertemu lagi dengan kamu semua selepas tahun ini. Oleh itu dengarlah dengan teliti kata-kataku dan sampaikanlah ia kepada orang-orang yang tidak dapat hadir disini pada hari ini... <http://kerjaya-muslim.blogspot.com/>
By BingoAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 6:00 PM

Dear Tun,

Honestly, I am still skeptical whether the new government could deliver or be any better than the previous government. It would take times for its people to see the implementation being fruitful. I hope my prediction would be wrong. The people of these countries need a good leader with honesty, would still listening to the voice of its people, being humble all the times even at the high of its popularity. What I afraid was these new government is only interested of being opportunist, not truly fought for its people. This question can only be answered when after they became the ruling party. Only time will tell, whether their choice is correct or wrong.

By hsm_caiAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 4:55 PM

Salam,

history will show us the mistake we made. but history always repeats it self over and over again.people never learn???

By pemuda kuala kangsarAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 3:52 PM

Salam 1 malaysia Tun,

Sudah lama tidak mencoretkan komen terhadap tulis Tun. Banyak maklumat terkini dalam blog Tun.

1. Saya punya pendapat kebangkitan ini berlaku kerana rakyat terlalu lama tertekan dalam sesuatu pemerintahan.

2.Kita lihat pemerintahan di malaysia pula. Lihat pun bagaimana PM malaysia sekarang sibuk mendapatkan undian semula. Untuk jadi seperti di negara timur tengah mungkin tidak mungkin kerana:

- i. Rakyat budaya banyak berbincang
- ii. Amalan hormat bangsa lain masih kekal(tapi bangsa lain langgar sahaja org Melayu.)

3.Pemerintahan mengikut rakyat tanpa dikawal amat bahaya. Contoh Thailand yang mana tak stabil dan peperangan di Selatan Thai masih tiada tanda untuk berdamai.

4. Tun Mungkian kah PTD(golongan muda) layak untuk memerintah dan mentadbir org muda lain? Adakah akan jadi pemberontakan di kalangan penjawat awam pula?

Harap dilihat perkara ini dgn Outcome sekali.

By AlanAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 1:39 PM

It wld be good if these countries would ask your esteemed Tun to assist in forming the Constitution and forming new opposite political parties too.

By dtanAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 1:37 PM

Tun,

Let me; if I may, pre-emp your next topic/s.
Its all about Israel and the 'Supernatural Hatred'
off the Jews.

These nations are falling and God is allowing
Ultra Nationalists and/or Theocratic Sharia Dictatorships
to rise and unify Islamist states to rid the world
of Israel.

Coptics, Kurds, Sudanese, Israelis etc will continue
to be murdered. Any response by the Isrealis in defense
of their nation will be met by condemnation. Gaza and
the West Bank would be better off as part of a Jewish
Nation with distinct society status with more rights,
freedoms and opportunity. Alas, it is not enough that
Israel occupies only 0.5% of the land in the middle
east. They are 'Pendatangs' no matter how many
archeological discoveries or that historicity proves
that Islam appeared 600 years after the Jesus walked
the land.

Islam is incompatible with Christianity and Judaism.
It denies Jesus's divinity and Yahwehs divine hand on
the Jewish Nation. God is allowing Islamists the
upper hand in the next round. Try if they must to destroy
Israel once again. When will they come to their
senses?

Peace be with you Tun in Jesus Name.

1 John 2:22

22 Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is
the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist—denying the
Father and the Son. 23 No one who denies the Son has the
Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.
By al-DinAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 1:28 PM

The great Muslim shame – greed and delusion of power. Sock it to the punch bag, the
rakyat (diutamakan). Powerless. People arise and got bloodied.

The Arabs have no choice but revolt. They had been at the pinnacle of civilization. Yearning
for respect in the eyes of the world but time and again humiliated by external forces and
worse by their own people.

Oil-rich but poor. High income economy but poverty. Nation's wealth controlled by cronies.

Regime change they must. No doubt the problems are complex:

1. The whole political, economic and security systems need to be revamped. Widespread corruption to be overhauled and culprits brought to justice.
 2. The economy is in disarray and food scarce.
 3. Revenge, witch-hunts and executions will happen.
 4. Vultures flying in the sky and setting strategies to secure oil supply – US, Israel, EU, UN, IMF ...
 5. We need experts on the Middle East.
 6. Tun Dr Mahathir – for Prime Minister of Bahrain!
- By TuaChengAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 1:15 PM

Mr.Mahathir,

You must accept, UMNO/BN is reacting, performing and working like the very government of Mubarak/Ghadaffi & etc.

Setting status quo, certain compulsory policies, protectionist market and arrogant believes.

So, I fully cherish and support those brave people in Tunisia, Libya, Egypt that topples the Tyranic Regime.

God greatness had open they eyes of Egyptian, Tunisian and Libyan.
Hopefully Malaysian as well.

By MapaxAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 12:18 PM

Dear Tun,

With change, there are always complications. I'm not saying the price of human lives can be justified, but do you mean to say that it's better to have kept things as they were? If things were kept as they were, more lives could be lost in the long run, would that have been better?

By PraxisAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 10:59 AM

- Objective, realistic diagnosis of the problems of phase transitions, compared to the fatous remarks of Mr Obama.

- What real change or peace is possible when US still seeking to dominate, instead leaving things to take the course of the people's will?

By Gopal Raj KumarAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 10:48 AM

What appears to be a "popular revolt" shaking sections of the Arab world shows signs of shifting the precarious balance of power in the middle east with an unexpected and perhaps unintended elevation to Iran's power and its position in the region.

Iran (or Persia) is not an Arab country. It is a Muslim theocracy of the Shi'ite sect closely allied in its theology to that of the powerful Alawite minorities of Syria, Irak and Jordan and the majority Shi'ites in Irak (65%) Dubai, Bahrain, Kuwait and the other Emirates including the strategically placed Kingdom of Qatar.

It appears that Iran has already begun to reap benefits from the undermining of minority run absolutist monarchies in the region supported by Saudi Arabia, the US and Britain. The latter two states acting out of self interest of their economic and strategic purposes in the region.

The dangers of supporting "mass revolts" or uprisings, a phenomenon such as what the world is witness to in the middle east and North Africa is evident in the Egyptian example.

There we were witness to an illegitimate, though popular displacing of a lawfully elected President and that country's government, held hostage for several days to a highly organized and unruly crowd led by a mobile, middle class, western educated constituency of youth. It was in fact a civilian coup handing government to the army.

Without a leader or alternative government in the wings, faceless plotters of this mainly middle class vocal minority, driven by technology and a trend, paved the way for the only capable public body there to assume control of government. The Egyptian Army.

It wasn't intended to turn out the way it did but that's what Egypt's mobs from its middle classes got. An undemocratic institution to outplay their own ambitions, legitimized by the so called "people power" through undemocratic use of highly visual and noisy street riots to seize government.

In a major and bold policy shift recognizing Iran's growing power in the region, the new military regime in Cairo approved an unprecedented request by Iran's navy for passage through the Suez canal of a flotilla of its men of war. Although a right at international law, Iran's navy had been denied passage through the Suez canal since the ousting of the Shah Reza Phalavi in 1979. Israel is not impressed.

It appears that the current generation of texting, blogging and sit com educated pseudo Americans in most developing countries lack critical knowledge of history or how political movements and governments operate. The lesson should not be lost on Malaysia's youth or its opposition.

These recent 'uprisings' have clearly demonstrated that if these rioters were indeed seeking change, then an alternative government would have been waiting in the wings with alternative policies and not mere emotional clichéd slogans for a mainly western media. Not so in any of the Arab countries till now.

Muhammad El Baradai head of the International Atomic Energy Commission stepped into the breach as only an opportunist like him could have done. An architect of the discredited and disgraceful "weapons of mass destruction" lie that cost the lives of hundreds of thousands of innocent Arabs, although of Egyptian descent, has only lived in Egypt of the past decades for no more than 3 months at any one given time. He is now hopefully history.

Saudi Arabia is in turmoil internally as the Royal Family who own everything there and whose feudal authority has never been challenged for decades are now feeling they are under siege.

Iran's appetibility, its confidence and its growing influence in the region stems from the shift in power structures the region experienced post 9/11.

By containing the Taliban and removing Saddam Hussein from power in Irak, the US had unwittingly removed the two biggest obstacles to Iran's assertion and projection as a power to be reckoned with in the region.

Iran has a lot to thank a negligent US administration for its rise to prominence in the Middle East. Iran's ascendancy in this regard has been without having to fire a single shot in anger.

Today thanks to US intervention in the region Iran's influence in Irak and Afghanistan is unassailable and cannot be ignored. It is unquestionably necessary a force to engage in order to achieve any lasting peace and stability to the region. The position Iran has been catapulted to by default is clearly the unintended consequences of US foreign policy.

The biggest challenge now to US supremacy in the region in political and military terms is its tenuous hold in Irak.

The same "People power" sweeping the region elsewhere has reared its head in Mosul, Baghdad and in Saddam's home town of Tikrit. The protesters there united in their one objective, to rid Irak of the American backed unrepresentative government of Nouri Al Maliki.

The US has another problem in the region it cannot ignore.

How is it going to morally justify support for revolutions in places like Egypt and in Libya against legitimate and internationally recognized governments however popular these 'uprisings' may appear to be on a TV screen without giving equally forceful recognition and backing to the street voices in Irak, Saudi Arabia, Jordan and the Emirates.

Calling for legitimate governments to be overthrown by anti-democratic means is a recipe for disaster in a seamless world of information available at the speed of light.

The US in recognizing Egypt's demonstrators and their actions as a legitimate means of regime change are now ensnared in their own devices.

Whilst underhandedly condoning China's 'Jasmine Revolution' at the same time being heavy handed and unevenly so in its treatment of the Libyan government in Tripoli's crackdown of an internal rebellion is a one sided strategy that could well backfire on the US and encourage a spill onto the streets elsewhere.

The US calls for the overthrow of legitimate governments in the Arab world unwilling to toe their line. From Saddam Hussein to Hosni Mubarak to Muammar Gadhafi they acquiesce in whipping up frenzied street protests largely unrepresentative of the majority.

On the other hand they continue aiding the oppression of a people they invaded in Irak and in whose nation they have destroyed every working institution except those capable of supporting oil production to the benefit of US oil companies operating within.

The question now is who will replace Gadhafi or Mubarak long term by " rudderless" show of "people power" in the region?

Already Berlusconi Italy's popular and controversial prime minister is wary of the unwanted flow of refugees making a bee line to Italy if Gadhafi falls. The weight of refugees in Europe from Arab and African countries mainly Muslims is beyond Europes capacity to absorb these in culturally and financially.

France has quietly also expressed similar concerns to the EU but needs to toe the US line in respect of Libya and not make its anti-Arab anti-humanist sentiments known too publicly lest it undermines the moral credibility of the UN's and US's actions against Libya.

Madeline Albright a Holocaust survivor turned Catholic and Secretary of State under William Jefferson Clinton was after all correct in articulating US foreign policy speak: 350,000 dead children in Irak (or anywhere for that matter as long as they are not white Americans) "is a

small price to pay".

By sudinAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 9:21 AM

Salam Tun,

Taking advantage on the happenings in Tunisia & Egypt, US & allies (Australia as usual is the first to come forward, to ensure US's continual blessing to her self-proclaimed role of 'South East Asia police') quickly zoomed in to Libya to help expedite the downfall of Gaddafi, one of the very few Mid-east/North African countries that the US can't play her infamous 'arm-twisting' game.

Whatever happened to Libyans inside Libya is nowhere close to israel's blatant attack on Mavi Marmara, all non-israelis on board and far beyond israel's borders. US has always believed people will forget in time, and she has CNN & alike to ensure those willing to be treated as 'caveman' will listen to their eternal repetitions of exaggerated versions of events and all the distorted/doctored facts tailored to their taste.

The word double-standard, triple-standard, look in the mirror, etc. have given way to the compulsory/must abide whims of a 'new US/jewish standard'. Obama may now probably deny uttering 'the change', whilst simultaneously lambasting CIA "make up for your failures to foresee events in Tunisia & especially Egypt, or else!". Obama himself may have one arm tied to his back! This is most worrying moment to all Muslims.

This is now the perfect time for Palestinians to plan & carry out 'the grand intifada'. The world will not only be watching closely your every move, but also israel's & US. Vive le Palestine!!!

Now back to Tun's entry....

We do have an intelligent know-all cum jack-of-all-trade guy (a few months ago I wrongly accused him of being an overgrown/overage 16-year old kid, sorry sir) who can definitely give a very good advise on the new leadership there. I do hope ecompute can give his assessment and opinion on the on-goings in relation to Tun's entry, for the benefit of all readers. Thank you ecompute, I am impatient to hear from you.

By musatoAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 8:31 AM

Assalamualaikum Tun.

Satu tahun terdahulu, saya telah menulis satu catitan diari (yang tak dapat disiarkan kerana pertukaran server).

Catitan tersebut lebih kurang macam teori domino. Satu agakan. Ketika Obama dipilih jadi presiden.

Catitan tersebut berbunyi lebih kurang :

1. Dari Malaysia ke Amerika Syarikat.
2. Saya menyokong Obama menjadi Presiden United States.
3. Sesungguhnya kerajaan Nabi Sulaiman adalah kerajaan yang terunggul.

Dan sekarang penganjur Hindraf serta yang berkaitan ingin memadankan Malaysia dengan Mesir? Mari kita tengok wayang sama-sama.

Terima kasih Tun.

By shahrulAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 6:30 AM

insyallah, we just pray for the best, not the worst

By pakbelalangAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 4:29 AM

Dear Tun,

My prediction is that these countries will not be able to enjoy stable governments. There will be turmoil in these countries because I think they would not be able to adjust to democratic system of government. They will continue fighting among themselves and finally these countries will become failed states. This is what the dirty American administration and the British government would like to take full advantage so that they could corrupt the leaders for their vested interest. The dirty Americans and the British will try to dictate terms with the new leaders and corrupt them by trying to influence the leaders to be their strong ally and exploit their rich resources to the maximum especially oil.

By pakbelalangAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 4:25 AM

Dear Tun,

My prediction is that these countries will not be able to enjoy stable governments. There will be turmoil in these countries because I think they would not be able to adjust to democratic system of government. They will continue fighting among themselves and finally these countries will become failed states. This is what the American administration and the British government would like to see happening so that they could corrupt the leaders for their vested interest. The dirty Americans and the British will try to dictate terms with the new leaders and corrupt them by trying to influence them to be their strong ally and exploit their rich resources to the maximum especially oil.

By jalil7Author Profile Page on March 1, 2011 4:01 AM

Salam Tun,

You wrote ..

If the new Governments fail then all the struggles and sacrifices would have been in vain.

and...

I am sure that the people would want to see a democratic Government, a Government of the people, by the people, for the people.

I have a slightly different view Tun. To me, it has come to a point that change is all they ask for. I believe they know very well the chaos that will emerge out of their actions, and in the case of Egypt they tried to minimise it and looks to me to me to be successful.

The issue at heart is that change was either impossible or made extremely difficult by previous administrations, and overstayng for so long tested the patience of the people to its limits.

I find it hard to believe they want "Government of the people, by the people, for the people" American style democracy. We have all seen how it too can be disastrous when coupled with unfettered capitalism and ridiculous financial instruments.

I think all they want is a new good governer and administration. I think it good that governments take note that ridiculous policies and laws can only go so far.

Thank You Tun.

By maaeAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 3:02 AM

Salam Tun,

1. Apa yang kita nampak ialah tangan-tangan ghaib masih berkuasa dan berleluasa menentukan pemerintahan satu-satu Negara. Kemelut yang ingin menjadikan, sasaran nya Iran, Syria dan lain-lain nya dalam kancah yang sama. Kita tahu apa makna nya.

2. Konon nya hak dengan kuasa rakyat untuk hak samarata, hakikat nya ia lah HAK yang mengikat apa sahaja yang boleh menjadi kepentingan boleh mengawal Negara dan isi perut nya yang konon nya berkuasa tetapi amat lemah. Contoh sudah ada. Akan jadi mudah untuk di perkitukkan.

3. Negara yang hancur dan lemah akan mengambil puluhan tahun untuk pulih kembali. Peluang besar arkitek penggadam melakar sktetsa kepimpinan baru (berulang-ulang) yang bakal menyaksikan paksi kekuasaan beralih kiblat mungkin untuk selama nya.

4. Kita juga tahu sejarah Keagongan Kerajaan Islam satu waktu dahulu dan kita juga sudah tahu bagaimana empayar ini musnah dan cara di musnahkan. Rentetan peristiwa yang sama, cuma bukan dengan ledakkan senjata tetapi dengan bekalan.

5. Dan saya juga berdoa bersama-sama Tun seperti ulasan para 8. Semoga mereka semua kenal erti Jihad Sebenar dan Berjihad di Jalan Allah Subhanawataala. Itu lah yang terbaik. Bukan mengumpul wang dan harta bergunung ganang di simpan-labur di Negara Musuh, lantas di guna oleh mereka sebagai modal membangun senjata, menggerak sentimen saraf apa saja. Kemudian 'harta itu' sendiri yang menghancurkan kesombongan, keegoan tampuk yang memegang kuasa kerana mengikis dan memperjudikan nasib rakyat yang tidak berdosa!

By ekomputeAuthor Profile Page on March 1, 2011 2:04 AM

I was reading Watchers' comments and I kept wondering... mengapa nak jaga tepi kain orang lain, sedangkan tepi kain sendiri kotor? Won't it be better to set our country right first? Or do we see no flaws in our own country?

Don't worry about the PKNZ trials. It will fizzle out as usual and life will be back to normal again for the next megascandal.

The PKFZ project was initially estimated at less than RM2 billion but eventually swell to as much as RM12.5 billion due to interest incurred from deferred payments. The government has been forced to bail out the project and had to stand by debts estimated to be in excess of RM10 billion.

And where does this money come from? UMNO? Ummmm, no, no... I should think that with a population of 27.5 million, every citizen, big or small, young or old, will be forced to cough out an average of RM45.50. No hal laaaa, what is RM50 these days? Anyway, we can just print some more money and no one will even realize that our ringgit has again devalued, if not for this bloody Singapore that reminds us that our currency was once at par but is now not even half of theirs!

By jollyAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 11:27 PM

Hi Tun,

In my opinion regarding this issue, ideally, the UN should interfere whenever the people's lives are lost. Sad that one of the 5 permanent members of the security council has the veto and surely does not like the idea due to its past ugly experience.

By right, the UN should help the weak, in drafting new constitutions, and let the people decide for the future by holding referendum.

Looks like the UN really needs to be reformed.

This time, it seems the US has kept a very low profile, fearing that world will point finger at her and accuse her of only after the oil again.

By Al BaihaqiAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 11:09 PM

YAB Tun,

It is not that easy to form a new government. A democratic government with full support from its people. But it is easier to destroy the government of the day through people power as what has happened in Egypt, Tunisia and perhap Bahrain and Libya.

Some speculated that the unrest in those countries were an act of Group of powerful countries in the West and Europe. Their main objective is to have a government who fully support their agenda of building a new undisputed map in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA).

Whoever responsible for the situation, it is the people that is going to suffer should the new Government unable to Govern the country as what inspired by its people. Therefore, the whole set of script need to be revamped in order to form a new theathre with actors from powerful nations in the West joining the force to strengthen their presence in those newly form government.

Rally and demonstration have been engineered to unleash the people power with news were disseminated into the globe through international media to further accelerated the downfall of the Kingdom which used to be in power for such a long time.

Bajetwang wishes best of luck to the people of Egypt and Tunis and welcome to the new world order...

From

<http://bajetwang.blogspot.com/>

Source of your financial freedom and consumer right...Always make it right at the first time.

By jat2011Author Profile Page on February 28, 2011 10:36 PM

assalamualaikum tun,

having to demonstrate on the streets is not democratic at all.that's hooliganism.a Government of the people, by the people, for the people does not equate to demonstration that causes chaos and havoc in any country because that was not what the whole population of the country wanted.

democracy through the action of "hooliganism" will only be taken up as a precedence by the population if they are not happy with the newly formed government;which will result in another "uprising".

we dont have to look at the arab/african world to look at what damaged it has caused because of "regime changing tactics";thailand is a good example.the thai government had lost million if not billion of dollars because of the red shirts and yellow shirts "hooliganism" action.

quoting ekompute"Maybe it would be more fruitful to examine why Islam has failed in all these Muslim countries and how best one can overcome it to prevent another repeat." it is not the fault of islam-it was the fault of the leader and the population at large not practising islam strictly. kuan yew and his regime should take note of this when he said that the muslim in singapore should not adhere to islamic teaching strictly.

i quote ekompute "RajaChulan says: The present struggle even if it results in a few becoming martyrs is worth the while for this purpose. Long live the people!!".from your context quoting raja chulan, it sounds more like both you and raja chulan sounded like "terrorists" inciting their followers to cause damage while their "leaders" go into hiding.(thailand is a good example).unless the two of you are prepared to rebuild any country that crumble because of regime change and guarantee that you can rebuild the country better than the previous government-DO NOT INCITE OR SUGGEST HATRED.

may allah give hidayah to all the muslims and all human race.
ASLAM TASLIM.

By mancisAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 10:25 PM

saya bukan menyokong rejim yang zalim. namun perlakuan seperti demonstrasi jalanan itu, memang jelas tidak menunjukkan langsung suara majoriti.

adakah perhimpunan seperti itu mewakili berjuta-juta rakyat yang lain? Apa yang mengesahkan perhimpunan itu suara majoriti rakyat? tak ada.

Setelah kerajaan berjaya ditumbangkan dengan cara demikian, maka selepas itu perkara yang sama akan terus berlaku dan berlaku..

By jollyAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 9:53 PM

Hi Tun,

To add to my previous message regarding our needs to attract talents, surely Tun has already known that, even Japan with over a 100 million people, and was once thought to be a "supremacist" country, has to engage foreign talents to take the helm of Nissan.

Now the result is out and we see that among the major car makers, Nissan seems to be enjoying a pretty good reputation w.r.t call-backs.

Heard also that in some major Japanese companies, since a decade ago, for one to get a promotion, one needs to sit for different stages of English competency tests.

Also, I was amazed by how the younger generation of Korea speaks fluent English, when I visited that country nearly a decade ago.

Sorry Tun, out of topic again.

.. for the love of this country. Thank you Tun.

By zulkiflee_ArifAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 9:52 PM

Assalamu'alaikum Tun

kebangkitan kuasa rakyat di Tunisia, Mesir dan Libya boleh dijadikan contoh di Nusantara ini. ia harus mendorong kebangkitan orang Melayu untuk bangun menentang penjajahan ekonomi Nusantara yg dikuasai bangsa asing.

telah banyak hasil bumi dan kekayaan Negara, baik Malaysia mahupun Indonesia yg dicuri-dilarikan secara haram ke Singapura yg kemudian menyalurkannya untuk pembangunan di China. harap-harap PERKASA boleh menggerakkan sesuatu. Obama pasti menyokong.

terimakasih Tun.

By JB_FROMAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 9:44 PM

Tun,

Actually the same thing happen to South America before, in Argentina, Mexico, etc..... Dictators being toppled,...the US meddling in those countries.

However, things do get better to some country there. Brazil is doing very-very well. Argentina is quite stable.

If you put yourself in their shoes (the middle east people), Mubarak, Ben Ali and Gaddafi rule more than 30 years, in Libya's case 42 years ruled by Gaddafi. A sane human being just cannot tolerate being ruled so long by these dictators. Mubarak, from the news, rumored to accumulate wealth exceeding Bill Gates while the Egyptian population remain poor.

There are enormous amount of pressure, anger, hatred building up and the sparked had already ignited in Tunisia spreading like wild fire all over the place.

In my opinion, an authoritarian rule, especially in the extreme cases in the middle east will not last long. People will eventually overthrow them. This is not just about democracy, it has also something to do about oppression, inequality, poverty, etc.

The aftermath of this is quite unpredictable. Most likely this will further spread to other middle east country, Yemen, Bahrain, Jordan.

These countries are mostly the major exporter of oil for the rest of the world. Trouble in these country means that the oil price will skyrocket and our economy will be affected.

We should be concern about this issue and monitor closely on what is happening in the

middle east. I doubt very much that all this will go away withing 2 or 3 months.

By milshahAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 9:32 PM

Assalamualaikum Tun,

I do agree with your article. Simply changing the government may not bring about the desired change or result. Worst still the new government might be more worst than the previous. The people might even be made to suffer more.

But we need to also consider the options available to them. What else can they do? Remain as the current status quo? It is not they want to change just for the sake of change.

In fact, they have been very patient with their authoritarian leaders. Some have ruled for more than 30 years. Before the uprising, the leaders thought the people loved them so much. So much so, their sons were considered to replace the leaders when these leaders die. In other words, the country is being passed from father to son. Not base on the ability to govern but base on hereditary. Had there been no uprising, this would have been the fate of their country.

I do not deny the leaders have contributed to their country and I know these leaders love their country and people. They have given their whole life dedicated to the country. But sometimes they need to feel the pulse of the people and ensure they do not overstay. They need to know their time is up.

The other road is a riskier road which I must admit. There is no certainty the uprising will uplift the well being of the people. In fact it can lead to chaos or even worst, a more cruel government.

In my opinion, these people are at a crossroad. Remain at the comfort and stability of the authoritarian government or choose a riskier path but how they shape their future will be in their hands.

I feel they are as how we were when we obtain our independence. We were also at a cross road back then. We could always remain in our comfort zone being under the rule of the British. Every race was comfortable as they are, the Chinese as traders and businessman, Malays as teachers and government servant and farmers in padi fields and the Indian at the estates.

But somehow, there was a desire to be independent. The British predicted we would not able to survive on our own as we would fight among the different races as soon as the British left. Now Malaysia is one of the most developed nation among the developing nations. Having the tallest twin towers, first class airports and highways, modern cities. A model for other developing nations and Islamic nations. We proved the British wrong. We proved that we can live in harmony even though our nation have many races and religions. In fact, our strength is in our diversity. We now have mission, to become a developed nation according to our own moulding and values by the year 2020. Had we remain complacent under British rule, we would not have achieved any of this.

I think I can understand the feelings of the Arab people. In the words of our first Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, "We are now masters of our destiny".

As for Malaysia, maybe we can help them build their nation should they feel they want our

assistance. After all we are all Muslims and all Muslims are brothers. We should help them in these trying times.

By parameswara 2Author Profile Page on February 28, 2011 8:55 PM

Dearest Tun

1-You know what Tun if all these regime change occurring one after the other is good for the Arabs it will surely not be allowed to happen that I can tell you.The boss of the Middle East Israel will surely not allow it because what is good for the Arabs will not be good for them.

2-This is the reason why the Arabs have been tied all these while.Remember the Algerian most recent political history?Something is surely up Israel's sleeves now and I can only smell rats.

3-The Arabs are also not blameless.They have only harmed themselves by not being able to unite inspite of being the same people professing the same faith in Allah SWT.Unity is strength and you don't have to be a Muslim to know this.

4-Even if the al Mahdi is being sent unto them the Arabs would surely disappoint him.The state they are in now any hope of ever repeating a glory would surely be futile.The Arabs are truly a fallen people who are lacking in the right qualities to ever shine again.

5-There is also no reason whatsoever why the Arabs should be the people to bring glory to Islam again.Can't other people do the job?Didn't the prophet reminded in his last sermon that the Arabs is not more superior than the others?

6-God would surely appoint the right human materials for his mission of glory.The selected people need not be Muslims yet but what is important is that they have got what it takes to bring glory to mankind,not any Tom,Dick or Ben Laden.The Arabs were still Pagans when they were selected for the job 1400 years ago.

7-God bless the Arabs.But they shouldn't feel bad for they've had their glory that was truly awesome before.Its time now for someone else more deserving while the Arabs can remain in their state of corruption,confusion and arrogance for as long as they like.

Thanks Tun.

By jollyAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 8:40 PM

Hi Tun,

I wish to congratulate the government for the visa free arrangement with Turkey recently.

I also wish to thank the people of Malaysia and the government for having maintained a good image all these years which have resulted in visa-free status when travel to the EU.

I believe Tun has contributed a lot, in this regard. Thanks Tun.

However, I also wish to draw our citizens' attention to the following situation.

Due to some irresponsible people who only care about themselves earning lots of money, they have violated the visa restrictions in some country. And, if the government does nothing to stop these people, next time our citizens will need to pay for it.

Recently, our currency is depreciating a lot compared to Sing dollars. Singapore is competing with places like Australia and Canada to attract foreign talents to contribute to their communities, especially those from Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Malaysia etc.

Sooner or later, the pressure for people to work illegally is so high that we may be categorized into a country that needs a visa to visit EU, if we listen to the advice of some people in the government who do not wish to compete for foreign talents.

We will need to work 3 to 5 times extra, than the people of Singapore, to earn the same amount of money. We may not be able to buy foreign goods with a fair price.

If that happens, all that we have gained in the past can be sold out easily to foreigners, cheaply, since their currency is higher.

This is a matter closer to my heart than to care about whether the people in the middle east can afford a visa-free entry to EU or not, in the future.

Thank you Tun.

By BubblesAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 7:45 PM

Assalmualaikum Tun dan peminat Chedet,

To Ekompute,

Stop making BASELESS accusations and SWEEPING statements.

EXPLAIN in what way has Islam failed !!

By Hazman Abu BakarAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 6:41 PM

These people will learn their lesson. It is more 'interesting' to rally and put down a government but the real work lies in building back the government. Rallying to topple a regime is only the easiest part and a small beginning. Now the real challenge begins. These people never take heed of our prophet sunnah about not to go against your leader even if he steals from you your property and your wife and even kill your children as long as he pray within a mosque with you. Now suffer the real challenge.

By jollyAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 6:30 PM

Hi Tun,

It has taken nearly two millenia for the true message to reach the world powers of the 1950's, from the Middle East, to get them prepared with the kind of mindset worthy of mastering the one "knowledge", the most powerful force ever known to mankind at that time - the power of the fission.

Imagine what would have happened to the world if the message hadn't reached the US, but the knowledge had. Same to the Russian too.

As the people in the Middle-East always say: our Creator is great!

Yes. I hundred and one percent agree. The message is the only way to ensure our survival.

For the regions that reject the message, even millenia have passed still, it is meaningless for them to master the knowledge, if that is even allowed by our Creator, in the near future, because once they have mastered it, it is not hard to imagine what follows next. This

include the North Korea too, to be fair.

Imagine what would have happened if the knowledge had first reached Iran-Iraq in the 1980's, but not the message. It is also not too hard to figure out.

Belgium, the capital of modern Europe, has been mentioned to have broken the world record of having the longest period without a government. It is surely governed by the message.

By eanisazman Author Profile Page on February 28, 2011 5:44 PM

Salam Tun,

bloggers,

As I read your article, I learned how difficult it is to make the government work. You've explained something over there which I think is not as simple as it sounds. But you have worked quite a wonder to Malaysia. As Malaysian, I strongly hope that there is another after you and after your successor and so on.

Indeed becoming a real leader takes a whole lot of discipline, in your case the country of multi-racial society. I must admit there is less tension before than now. This is instability.

As a Malay, there are a lot of negative remarks were made against us lately. The concept of ketuanan Melayu has been put to trial. It has become very handy when the battle is fought by a 'Malay' itself. The majority is now becoming a minority. The Malays were to be rid off from Malaysia. Only your voice so loud forcing us to stand up and face the music.

Today at the school where my wife teaches, the demonstration from the DAP, the parents and the student has sadly turned into some sentiment of racism where the Malay majority teachers were treated so badly they are in the state of trauma. This is to protest against the Malay teacher who is accused to molest 13 girls at once in a classroom full of students. True or not, the case is being handled by the police but if we're not careful it can come into a spark where the issue could become like 'the Malay teachers are harassing Chinese students' and Allah forbid how bad it can grow.

Why can't they see that it is an active case against a teacher. Why dragged the entire Malay teachers in the school into this mess? Why are DAP into this? Why need to politicise this? Are we actually en route to become Bangsa Malaysia? How do we define Bangsa Malaysia?

I strongly hope that the stability can be preserved. I don't have much knowledge how to do so but politics should be made moderate. If we let the extremist run the show, Malaysia will come into a mess.

By ekompute Author Profile Page on February 28, 2011 5:32 PM

ERRATA: "As pointed out by Will Durant in his book, *The Story of Philosophy*, all democracies are actually aristocracies as those who are qualified to stand for elections are always limited to the same few well-connected people" should read as:

"As pointed out by Will Durant in his book, *The Story of Philosophy*, all democracies are actually OLIGARCHIES as those who are qualified to stand for elections are always limited to the same few well-connected people."

Some political theorists have argued that all societies are inevitably oligarchies, no matter the supposed political system (see What Is an Oligarchy?). And that's what I was trying to say when I said that, to me, it makes no difference whether monarchy or democracy.
By prof_ridcullyAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 4:10 PM

Salam Tun,

ekompute

Funny you should bring up Plato and his Utopia. Do you really long to live in Plato's Ideal State where the legislator reigns supreme and the people are divided into the common folk, the soldiers and the guardians? The Guardians are a class apart with political power invested in them only. The guardians have all the power and they rule unchecked. Do you really, really want to live in a society where no one is to eat fish, where there is strict censorship, where mothers are to tell their offspring only stories authorised by the State? And where communism is extreme that everything, including sexual partners, is shared so that children do not know their fathers?

I suspect Gandhi would be the first to reject Plato's abominable idea of a State and I'm sure you are more reasonable than that whatever your religious inclinations may be.

Islam has not failed in all the Middle-Eastern countries; it is the Muslim rulers who have failed. But as we see events unfolding even you can't deny that the common Muslims in those countries have had enough of the despots running their countries.

I know it is hard for you, ekompute, but is always good to try to differentiate the religion from its followers. Try taking your blinkers off or have you swallowed whole the Judeo-Christian line that Islam is to blame for the faults committed by its followers but the the same is not true for other religions?

I know sometimes it hurts when you think but try to think about this: Has any Muslim blamed Confusionism for the excesses committed by the Gang of Four? How about a Muslim blaming Shintoism and (gasp) Buddhism for the atrocities committed by the Japanese in WW2? Of course not and of course we won't. Muslims know better than to blame a religion -- even Judaism -- for the faults of its followers.

By Millionaire AcademyAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 4:00 PM

Dear beloved Tun,

I share the same opinion as yours on the middle east chaos. The struggle to have a so-called better government can be disaster that would ruin the whole nation. Peace and stability which they have been enjoying all these years will be gone if new government elected fail to control the situation. Building a nation is a process. Not many people realize & appreciate the good things they have in life.

People sometimes deceived by their own emotions!

<http://richvemmas.blinkweb.com>

By wajaperakAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 3:25 PM

Assallammualaikumwarahmatullahiwabarokatuh..

Moga mendapat ruangan dari Tun..

[[ekompute

Maybe it would be more fruitful to examine why Islam has failed in all these Muslim countries and how best one can overcome it to prevent another repeat]]

Tak serik-serik engkau ni ya?..Do you know that Islam is eternal?..Does not matter if you don't believe it..

Eternal means everlasting..Islam was there since Adam creation for the Tauhid..It is not Islam that fails people or nation..It is

The people who have failed Islam..

Wake up ekompute..Look at end and how you will end...

Terima kasih Tun.

By hj azmanAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 3:25 PM

Salam Tun,

I appreciate yr writing on this matter. And personally if the rise of the people to take place here in Malaysia, it should be against the PAS government in Kelantan. The MB has been there for more than 20 yrs and yet the improvements of basic living needs have been neglected by the state government.

To a dear friend demi masa, what you've mentioned is very beautiful on paper and everybody wants to exercise that. BUT the reality is that even the PAS govt is unable to carry its responsibility as an elected govt in Kelantan. Who provide you clean water in Kelantan?

Pemerintah sekular? what do you think of Anwar ? He is pious? He spread pluralisma and yet PAS support him, praised him.

By mulutmelayuAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 2:35 PM

Salam ayahanda Tun yang saya amat hormati dan peminat-peminat tulisan Tun sekalian,

Saya ingin merujuk kepada "demi masa" on February 28, 2011 12:11 PM antara lainnya menulis -

"apakah hukum meninggalkan yang wajib(contoh: hukum hudud)? apakah hukum orang yang mempersoalkan hukum Allah? apakah hukum menyokong pemerintah yang sebegini rupa??JELASLAH BAHAWA NASIONALIS YANG DIANUTI OLEH T*N DAN RAKAN2 BERFAHAMAN SEKULAR TELAH MENOLAK PERLAKSANAAN HUKUM ALLAH SEPENUHNYA. APAKAH HUKUM KEPADA MANUSIA SEBEGINI???"

Sebagai jawapannya sila tuan "demi masa" rujuk link di bawah untuk maklumat bersama:-

Pengenalan kepada "Hukum Hudud" - Bahagian 1

By watchersAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 2:05 PM

Tun,

I also agree with the idea of a much more democratic society in middle east countries. But the uprising (to me) feels more like US foreign policy at work. Although there is no evidence but it is usually the US way to influence students. Documented history have shown that US agencies have a knack for training locals to go against government to benefit their cause

which more often than not is usually monetarily motivated.

I am thankful that Malaysia have a much better relation with US right now, but as always as a small nation I think we should be cautious because we know what they are capable of.

But in the middle east we can see the results of US involvement most notably Iraq. In the end, the Iraq war benefits US oil companies as we know. I am not sure about the people of Iraq though.

De-stabilizing for a regime change in a country would put the people at risk. And especially if the reason is capitalism which is disguised as democracy.

Tun, did you hear about the veto of a proposed United Nations Security Council Resolution calling upon Israel to end illegal policies that promote settlements in the occupied West Bank? It was disappointing that the Barack Obama administration is more worried about re-election than keeping their promise.

By Reentry777Author Profile Page on February 28, 2011 1:59 PM



► Nak memusnah dan menghancurkan memang mudah. Tapi nak membina semula dari tiada apa-apa menjadi apa-apa adalah suatu perkara yang sukar dan payah.

► Akhirnya nanti akan jadi seperti Thailand. Hari ni Baju Merah tumbangkan kerajaan. Esok lusa Baju Kuning pulak demo nak tumbangkan kerajaan. Lepas tu Baju Kuning lawan balik. Baju Merah mengamuk lawan balik. Dan kitarannya berterusan begitu dan berulang-ulang. Akhirnya mereka yang tak berbaju Kuning atau Merah tersepit di tengah-tengah. Musuh-musuh diluar sana menanti dan menunggu masa yang sesuai untuk masuk jarum dan menguasai kita.

► Hidup Rakyat, Kuasa Rakyat, Ketuanan Rakyat, Hak Rakyat, Dari Rakyat untuk Rakyat, Kepimpinan Rakyat, Ekspress Rakyat.. Semuanya RAKYAT lah. Bunyinya sedap dan mantap apabila diucapkan dengan penuh bergaya di depan khayalak orang ramai. Tapi ini cuma mainan di bibir sahaja. Jika benar inginkan Revolusi terjemahkannya di peti undi pada pilihanraya. Lebih beradab dan bertamadun.

Terima Kasih Tun.

<http://reentry7.blogspot.com/>

By HHilmiAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 1:02 PM

Yang saya kagumi, Tun

Bukankah lebih baik jika pintu Rafah (Gaza) dibuka sendiri oleh penunjuk2 perasaan? Saya nampak Israel dan Amerika begitu berhati2 untuk berkata2 semasa peristiwa Mesir terjadi. Kata2 Obama dilihat semakin hari semakin tajam sehinggalah Hosni Mubarak tersungkur. Pihak risikan Amerika CIA pula dipanggil untuk menjelaskan kenapa peristiwa ini tidak dapat dikesan dgn lebih awal! Ada impak kpd Amerika dan Israel rupanya. Tapi yang paling saya tabik adalah dari Hassan Nasrullah yang berani gertak si-Netanyahu penyapu tu! Dimasa inilah Israel tidak boleh tunjuk sifat Kurang Ajar langsung.

Tun memang hebat!

By ekomputeAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 12:26 PM

RajaChulan says: "The present struggle even if it results in a few becoming martyrs is worth

the while for this purpose. Long live the people!!"

Long live the people?? Sounds very communist! Maybe it would be more fruitful to examine why Islam has failed in all these Muslim countries and how best one can overcome it to prevent another repeat.

By Rimba EmasAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 12:25 PM

SALAM BUAT TUN BERDUA MOGA DIRAHMATI ALLAH S.W.T.

1) ALLAH S.W.T TELAH MENJADIKAN BUMI INI UNTUK MANUSIA TINGGAL DAN BERIBADAT KEPADANYA DENGAN MELANTIK RASUL MEMBIMBING MANUSIA KEJALAN YANG BENAR BERPANDUKAN AL-QURAN OLEH NABI TERAKHIR KITA NABI MUHAMMAD S.A.W.

2) ASASNYA PEMBENTUKAN KHAKIFAH ADALAH TUJUAN MENERUSKAN AJARAN YANG TELAH DITINGGALKAN OLEH NABI KITA NABI MUHAMMAD S.A.W YANG BERAKHLAKKAN AL-QURAN YANG MAHA BENAR DAN WAJIB MAMATUHINYA SEHINGGALAH HARI YANG TELAH DITENTUKAN OLEH ALLAH S.W.T BAHAWA MANUSIA AKAN DIKUMPULKAN KEMBALI UNTUK DI HISAB YANG DIKENALI SEBAGAI HARI AKHIRAT.

3) PEMIMPIN SUDAH BERASAS AWAL LAGI SEBELUM PEMBENTUKAN ISLAM KERANA IA TERJADI DARI FITRAH KEJADIAN MANUSIA YANG BERANAK-PINAK BERMULA DARI KEJADIAN BERKELUARGA DARI DUA INSAN LELAKI DAN WANITA.

4) JADI PEMIMPIN DICIPTA SENDIRI OLEH MANUSIA INI DAN BOLEH DATANG DARI DUA KEADAAN IAITU YANG MELANTIK DIRINYA SENDIRI, DILANTIK OLEH MANUSIA RAMAI. YANG MELANTIK DIRI SENDIRI PULA TERBAHAGI KEPADA DUA KEJADIAN YANG DIUTUSKAN (KEBENARAN) OLEH YANG MENJADIKAN MANUSIA INI (ALLAH S.W.T) ATAU SEORANG YANG MULA-MULA MEMBENTUK PERKUMPULAN RAMAI.

5) GELARAN KHALIFAH SELEPAS DARI NABI MUHAMMAD S.A.W TUGASNYA IALAH MENERUSKAN PERJUANGAN RASUL KITA DENGAN MELAKSANAKAN AJARAN YANG DITINGGALKAN TAMPA BOLEH MENGUBAHNYA KERANA NABI S.A.W SENDIRI PUN WAJIB MEMATUHI PERINTAH ALLAH S.W.T.

6) KESIMPULANNYA KITA PERLU TAHU PELANTIKAN PEMIMPIN SETERUSNYA TIDAK MEMPUNYAI KUASA MENGGUBAH ATAU MENOLAK KEHENDAK ALLAH S.W.T DAN HARUS MELAKSANAKAN TANGGUNGJAWAB ATAU PERINTAH ALLAH S.W.T.

7) ASASNYA KITA SEBAGAI RAKYAT KENA TAHU PEMIMPIN YANG KITA PILIH HANYA MELAKSANAKAN KEHENDAK ALLAH S.W.T DAN MENGIKUT PERATURAN YANG DI TETAPKAN ATAU DITULIS MANUSIA RAMAI SENDIRI YANG HANYA AKAN MEMILIH PEMIMPIN YANG SANGGUP MEMATUHINYA.

8) LOGIK KEPADA SATU KEADILAN TIDAK AKAN DAPAT DIBENTUK JIKA KITA MENYERAHKAN BULAT-BULAT KUASA MERENCANA UNTUK DIRI ORANG RAMAI YANG DI BENTUK SENDIRI OLEH PEMIMPIN YANG KITA PILIH. MAKA CARA MENGGUNDI INI MENJADI SATU ULANGAN YANG LEBIH KEPADA KETEGANGAN ORANG RAMAI DAN BUKAN SATU FORMULA YANG BETUL.

9) SEPATUTNYA KITA MEMBERI KUASA KEPADANYA MENJALANKAN KUASA KITA MERENCANA SEGALA-GALANYA TERMASUK GAJI DAN HARTA NEGARA YANG DIBERIKAN KEPADA PEMIMPIN ITU. KALAU TIDAK KUASA YANG DIBERIKAN AKAN MENUMPAHKAN DARAH SESAMA RAKYAT BILA KUASA YANG KITA LANTIK ITU DEGIL DAN MELANGGARI

PERINTAH-PERINTAH ALLAH S.W.T.

WALLAHU'ALAM

By RDAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 12:23 PM

Salam Tun Dr.M

I fully agree with what you say; There will be a rush to grab for power by nationalists and by opportunists. It will not always be the good people who will win to form Governments.

Personally, I do not think, hardship in Tunisia, Egypt & Libya will diminish with the uprising. Anyway, Libya should not have followed. I agree what was done in Tunisia & Egypt, as starter. Realizing what happen in Tunisia & Egypt, Gaddafi have made concession. Negotiation or small & peaceful rally would have made Gaddafi, change its policy for the benefits of Tunisian.

I think the west, especially US, do anticipate what's happening in the middle-east. Oil price will keep rising. The poor countries will be the hardest to suffer.

I agree if Saudi Arabia, Bahrain & Yemen change its political system like ours or become totally republic. But it does not necessarily in a way that will further deteriorate its economy & livelihood. Destroying public property, burning cars by the roadside, stoning the police and killing each other. It will only incite more hatred. These people are Tribal. After the US invasion in Iraq, and by what is going on now, I think what Saddam Hussein did for Iraq is right. Even if you break-up these countries (the fallen one, including Iraq) between tribes or their religious beliefs, peace is uncertain. Just look at 'Southern Sudan' which has not been named, officially. The simple task of designing its national flag, could even cause many to die. I think, Libya should have done what China did in Tien An Mein Square, on the very first day the uprising.

The countries that profit most are the ones manufacturing guns & explosive. The more difficult to be detected, compact & destructive, the more expensive. There will be more hatred & hunger amongst the tribes. There will be more people yearning for the easy & quickest way to heaven. More hungry people would wind their waist with explosive to become martyr.

They will also be subjected to provocation. Lets just say I am suicidal and I really hate Islam. Why not do something beneficial for my kind, dying? I can put-up an attire of a Syiah, go for a Friday prayer at Sunni Mosque and blow myself off. Of-course there are many other ways to incite animosity.

With the strife amongst them, how could they possibly be defender of the Palestinian.

I wonder how long it will take for these countries to be peaceful again, once lawlessness erupt.

By ekomputeAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 12:21 PM

I thought Tun was going to write a response to LKS's contention that "Ops Lalang was Dr M's diversion tactic" in TheMalaysianInsider. Anyway, it is a hard defence to put up and the best, I guess, is to let sleeping dogs lie, rather than stir the hornet's nest.

In this article, Tun seems to sound rather pessismitic about democracy. I agree with Tun

that "elections can be manipulated". 22 years of experience as Prime Minister should lend considerable weight to his statement.

Plato's dream of having philosopher-kings to run a government remains a far-fetched dream after more than 2,300 years. Till date, we have yet to see one. I suppose Mahatma Gandhi could have become one, had he not been assassinated but then again, I do not have the confidence that he could last long in power. After all, in politics, one has to contend with crooks and therefore, one has to become a bigger crook in order to outwit the lesser crooks to hang on to power.

Sometimes, I wonder where the gangsters of the 1960s in Malaysia have gone to. They couldn't possibly have disappeared into thin air. Could they have joined politics where it is legal to be illegal, such that you don't even have to pay your traffic summons, much less your quit rent and assessment taxes, if you can achieve a high enough post in politics? AAB hit the headlines when he paid his traffic summons AFTER becoming Prime Minister. Wish I could do that, LOL.

As pointed out by Will Durant in his book, *The Story of Philosophy*, all democracies are actually aristocracies as those who are qualified to stand for elections are always limited to the same few well-connected people. At the end of the day, there is no difference between a monarchy and a democracy to me, so long as the No. 1 man is just and upright. Apart from Plato, Confucius also emphasized personal and governmental morality, correctness of social relationships, as well as justice and sincerity, rather than the use of bribery and coercion. Confucius yearned for a chance to put his political ideals and philosophical ideas to the test by getting himself hired as a government adviser but alas, he was deeply frustrated. Power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. And which man of power would seek morality when he could do anything according to what his whims and fancies may be at any moment, even to the extent of taking another man's wife? Give a man this whole planet and he will still yearn for the sky.

By demi masaAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 12:11 PM

assalamualaikum dan salam sejahtera,

SAYA BERHARAP TUN MEMBACA DAN HAYATI KOMEN INI, SEMOGA TUN MENDAPAT HIDAYAH DARI ALLAH...

saya ingin berkongsi ilmu yang sedikit ini dengan tuan2 bijak pandai iaitu tentang asas ilmu agama Islam yang diakui oleh Allah, nabi muhammad itu kekasih Allah, cuba faham dan hayati sebaik2nya:

rukun agama terbahagi kpd 3:

1. islam
2. iman
3. Ehsan

penerangannya spt di bawah:

1. islam:

islam ialah cara hidup(addin)yakni tertakluk kepada ilmu feqah yang luas dimana feqah itu terbahagi kpd 4 bahagian, iaitu:

- 1.1. ILMU BERKAITAN IBADAH iaitu berkenaan rukun islam yang lima
- 1.2. ILMU BERKAITAN MUNAKAHAH iaitu berkenaan nikah kahwin cerai dll
- 1.3. ILMU BERKAITAN MUAMALAH iaitu berkenaan urusan jual beli dll
- 1.4. ILMU BERKAITAN JENYAH iaitu berkenaan hukuman jenayah spt hudud dll.

2. Iman:

iman tertakluk kpd ilmu usuluddin(awal agama)yakni membincangkan tentang iman,

mentauhidkan Allah dan membincangkan rukun2 iman

3. ehsan:

ehsan ialah tertakluk kpd ilmu tasawuf yakni membincangkan tentang hati, tentang keikhlasan beribadat kpd Allah dll.

kesimpulannya:

barang siapa yang tidak melaksanakan salah satu perkara yang berada dalam rukun di atas(samada hudud atau lain2) maka org itu tidak lengkap islamnya, apatah lagi menyatakan politik suku agama suku padahal dalam agama islam mengajar kita tentang memerintah negara, mengajar kita tentang muamalah, munakahah dan sebagainya. bila mana islam kita tidak lengkap, apakah hukumnya? tepuk dada tanya iman. apatah lg ada yang menyatakan hukum hudud tidak sesuai di zaman ini? kenyataan ini telah menidakkan hukum Allah! apakah hukum meninggalkan yang wajib(contoh: hukum hudud)? apakah hukum orag yang mempersoalkan hukum Allah? apakah hukum menyokong pemerintah yang sebegini rupa??JELASLAH BAHAWA NASIONALIS YANG DIANUTI OLEH T*N DAN RAKAN2 BERFAHAMAN SEKULAR TELAH MENOLAK PERLAKSANAAN HUKUM ALLAH SEPENUHNYA. APAKAH HUKUM KEPADA MANUSIA SEBEGINI??? tidak mustahil malaysia akan mengalami keadaan yang sama dengan apa yang berlaku di mesir. taksuf kepada agama islam digalakkan manakala taksuf dengan perjuangan kebangsaan(nasionalis) adalah dilarang sama sekali...

sekian, sama2 fikirkan wahai manusia!!!

yang baik datang dari Allah dan buruk dari kelemahan diri saya

By RajaChulanAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 12:06 PM

I pray too that all corrupt, autocratic, feudal, dictatorial, monarchy, military, crony,nepotism, hereditary, racist, fascist, exploitative, manipulative and suppressive type of governments around the world will all fall soon.Democratic Government, a Government of the people, by the people, for the people must always prevail.

The present struggle even if it results in a few becoming martyrs is worth the while for this purpose. Long live the people!!

It is presently happening in the Middle-East. It can also happen elsewhere and everywhere. Leaders and Governments in Africa, Asia, South America and China better watch out on how you treat your citizens.

By corpulentAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 11:55 AM

Salam Tun Det

Pandangan yang baik dari tun dalam sudut demokrasi....

walaupun pun begitu demokrasi total 100% mengikut acuan barat adalah tidak relevan lagi...

mungkin saya ini berfikiran jumud dan terkebelakang... tetapi telah terbukti dalam banyak negara di dunia ini yang mengamal sistem demokrasi dan akhirnya akan membawa kepada 'tahap tepu' dalam ketelusan pemerintahan...

Setelah lama memerintah, kebebasan yang diagungkan oleh pendukung demokrasi semakin terhakis. tidak kira dari segi media, bersuara, memberi pendapat, kempen politik dan sebagainya.

Sistem demokrasi yang ada sekarang perlu diolah dan selari mengikut kehendak islam. Walaupun ada yang mengatakan demokrasi itu sendiri adalah haram, tetapi bagi kebanyakan pendapat ulama' demokrasi boleh digunakan jika diolah melalui persamaan dalam pemerintahan islam yang sebenar dengan kaedah mencari 'titil' persamaan antara kedua-dua sistem.

Wallahualam

Artikel Panas : Generasi Melayu Baru Yang Buta Sejarah, Di Mana Silap Kita?
By donplaypuksAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 11:37 AM

I quote from an article by Nicholas Kristof, formerly of New York Times and an American journalist, author, op-ed columnist, and a winner of two Pulitzer Prizes:

"...The common thread of this year's democracy movement from Tunisia to Iran, from Yemen to Libya, has been undaunted courage. I'll never forget a double-amputee I met in Tahrir Square in Cairo when Hosni Mubarak's thugs were attacking with rocks, clubs and Molotov cocktails. This young man rolled his wheelchair to the front lines. And we doubt his understanding of what democracy means?

In Bahrain, I watched a column of men and women march unarmed toward security forces when, a day earlier, the troops had opened fire with live ammunition. Anyone dare say that such people are too immature to handle democracy?"

Mubarak, USA aand Gaddafi would not have been the first to underestimate the intelligence of ordinary people!

"The administrative machinery would need to be revamped and retrained as they would not be familiar with the democratic system. The police and military will have to understand professionalism i.e. that they will be the permanent part of the Government as against the elected Government which will last only as long as they manage to retain the support of the people.

The professional administrators, military and police must learn to be subservient to the elected Governments even when they are changed by the electorate through periodic elections. Their political affiliations will be private as they will have to serve whichever party forms the Government. It is going to be hard." TDM.

Please tell that to our IGP, police and (bloated) civil servvice who are hell bent on sabotaging all legitimate opposition to UMNO/BN hegemony.

dpp

we are all of 1 Race, the Human Race

By mahawangsaAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 11:28 AM

some might view this as a good thing ...the uprising of people power..

the fact is, its just a declaration of instability of a country...which after this will take years to stabilize. And when it have been stabilize, it will just be overthrown again by a supposedly better government.

in the end, it is this ungrateful attitude, an attitude that hide under 'human rights' that actually means 'the inability of being content under an authority'.

at present, saliva dripping zionist ogres are just waiting on the sidelines with their spoon, fork and paper money..

By amfay77Author Profile Page on February 28, 2011 11:25 AM

Rakyat power will need to capture and improve government management once they have the power on hand. This is not a matter of 1 day or 1 month, this need long term planning to achieve the objective, so it is still an achievable plan on paper....

By Bumi KenyalangAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 10:46 AM

Salam TUN,

Nak Musnahkan Sekejap JER..... TAPI nak Bangunkan balik... Sikit punya susah dan lama....

Kata Demokrasi di pilih oleh rakyat(majoriti).... Tapi yang adakan demo n tumbangkan kerajaan tu buat aper... kan Elok tunggu pilihan raya...itu baru BETUL...Demokrasi....

Ari ni Parti A tumbangkan Parti B... .. Besok Parti B pulak akan Tumbangkan Parti A.... tu bukan Demokrasi.....tu.. mau MATI.

By TAuthor Profile Page on February 28, 2011 10:15 AM

/// 6. The professional administrators, military and police must learn to be subservient to the elected Governments even when they are changed by the electorate through periodic elections. Their political affiliations will be private as they will have to serve whichever party forms the Government. It is going to be hard. The temptation to seize power will plague the minds of many. ///

Agree 101%. Those goons in Perak and Penang should take heed of Tun's words of wisdom.

Source:<http://chedet.co.cc/chedetblog/2011/02/changing-regime.html>