Takfiri groups in the Middle East after the September 11 incident

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Abstract

The September 11 terrorist attack in 2001 was one of the international debating events that lead to considerable consequences for both The Middle East and international politics. One of the main consequences of this event was the direct U.S military and its ally’s presence in The Middle East and subsequently, ever increasing growth of Takfiri and Selfi groups. In this era, the Middle East has been one of the main and primitive canons of political news all around the world. For this reason, the focus of the present paper is on this event. The structure of this paper is based on a new aggressive and realistic theory and combinations of descriptive-analytic inter text methodology, which is going to answer the following main question: What are the reasons of the growth and development of growth and reinforcement of Takfiri groups in the Middle East after The 11 September incident? To answer, the hypothesis of the study is proposed and answers that factors including to remove blatant, the load of religious principals and concepts by Takfiri in opposed to The west and The Islamic republic as well as western and international public anti-Islamic atmosphere and also to protect safety and situation of Israel, results in the growth of Takfiri groups after this incident. The methodology of this paper is based on applied descriptive-analytic principles.

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1-1 Statement of the Problem
The September 11 terrible event in the U.S in 2001 was a debating event in international politics in the beginning years of the twenty first century. That day, the greatest terrorist action until that time and the biggest air invasion to the US territory happened, which its loss was three fold more than the loss resulting from Japan air invasion in Perl Harbor port in 1941. This incident had very influential consequences for political life in the region. Alqaede and Ben Laden take the responsibility of this action by a notification and accordingly the U.S government asked the Taliban government to hand Ben Laden over, but Taliban refrained. Then, in less than two years after the September 11 attacks, the states of Bosh without getting justification from the Security Council and with the companionship of Britain took geostrategic to Iraq in 2003 and after 3 weeks exterminate the Sadam government. Events which were seen beyond the September 11 incident were directed to its consequences with different reactions. But the problem which was more important for political units was related to increasing the space for maneuver of Takfiri groups in The Middle East. In the context of the Americans presence not only the problem of Takfiri groups didn't solved, but also the problem got worse. In this regard, our question is presented as follow: What are the reasons of the growth and development of growth and reinforcement of Takfiri groups in the Middle East after The 11 September incident? To answer, the hypothesis of the study is proposed and answers that factors including to remove blantancy, the load of religious principals and concepts by Takfiri in opposed to The west and The Islamic republic as well as western and international public anti-Islamic atmosphere and also to protect safety and situation of Israel, results in the growth of Takfiri groups after this incident. Also, the independent variable is the September 11 incident in 2001 and the dependent variable is the growth of Takfiri groups in the Middle East.

2- The September 11 and relevant theories on international relations
In this domain, the theorists' views have had noticeable effects on the global interpretations relating to the facts. Huntington's valuable opinions in his article "The Clash Of Civilizations" provides ideological justifications for policymaking of the American elites, Also, most of curiosities as well as the greatest reactions are directed to "The End of History" by Fukuyama.  

2-1 The Clash of Civilizations
Huntington believes that the era of ideological and economic battle is terminated and it will be the source of the clash of cultures. In the future, the governments are the main players of global scene but conflict and battle between nations and groups are due to the presence of opposed cultures and civilizations. The conflict between nations is the last stage of conflicts in the modern world. Huntington didn't consider the end of cold was as the end of ideological battles, but assumed it as the beginning of the conflict of civilizations, based on which he analyzes most of the events of the world to enforce the hypothesis of his theory. He classified alive global civilizations into eight great civilizations: 1) The west civilization 2) confuses 3) Japanese 4) Islamic 5) Indian 6) Slaws 7) Orthodox 8) The Latin America. The American civilization is considered in the periphery and the gap between mentioned civilizations is considered as the source of battles that replace the governments and nations. In his opinion,
conflict of civilizations is as the dominant policy and the last stage for involvement of modern conflicts because of:

a) The discrepancy of civilizations is considerable.
b) Civilization self-conscious is increasing.
c) The revival of religious life is as a mean to fill the identical gaps.
d) Feudist behavior of the west results in civilization self-consciousness in others.
e) Cultural characteristics and differences are unchangeable.
f) Economic regionalism and the role of cultural communities are growing.
g) The gaps between present civilizations are replaced by political and ideological boundaries of cold war which are the source of crisis.

1400 years of hostility between Islam and the West is increasing and the relations among Islamic civilization and the west embody mortal events. Therefore, the paradigm of civilization conflict affects other global issues and will be the main cannon for battles of the west and confuses union of East Asia and Islamic world. The civilization conflicts are the last stage of battles in the modern world (Huntington, 1375, p. 22).

2-2 The End of History
This theory is proposed by Francis Fukuyama in 1989 and elaborated in his book "The End of History and the Last Man" in 1992. In his view, with the victory of liberal democracy against his revivals all around the world, new opinions about the legitimating of liberal democrats as the only state system were proposed. Based on this, Fukuyama assumes liberal democracy as the best state model which may be the last point of human ideological, the last form of human government, and the end of history. In his point of view, the end of history happens when human catch a form of human society in which the deepest and the most basic needs of human are satisfied. Today, human get a place where cannot imagine a world completely different from the present world, because there is no sign of the possibility of basic improvement of current order. For Fukuyama, it's enough to explain that why the current liberal values are legitimated globally. This victory is a reason to answer why human groups accept liberation. Today, all western countries gain from free political activities of people and one milliard inhibited of western countries authorized about eighty percent of wealth of the globe.

According to the above theory, the U.S with the leadership of scalawag tied to be one of the disobedient governments in the Middle East through deploying democratic government and supporting this type of governing. It was natural that the scenario to change the Middle East to democratic region was affected by special view of the U.S which is referred to as "soft power" by Joseph Nye. The Bush government using democracy to justify Iraq war announced to many countries that democracy is the code of military intervention and the government changing in most of countries in the Middle East and other domains surrounding Russia.

2-3 The Great Middle East Plan
After the September 11 attack, this theory empowered among policymakers and public opinions that the context and political structure and undesired economic situation in The Middle East is one reason for international terrorism growth, because inefficient, abnormal, unclear, absolute, and corrupted economic and political structures result in governments which can't satisfy people needs. According to this plan, the U.S intends to change the Middle East societies to democratic ones because contempt ion of people in these regions
from dependent governments threats security of region and western world. The goals of this plan include:

2-3-1 political goals
In this level, this plan has two purposes:
1-Security and legitimating of Israel: according to William Faf, this plan decrease the Emergency of solving the problem of Palestine because other crisis in the Middle East should be solved.
2- Changing hardware approaches to software: this purpose is followed based on cost and gain principle. Military and hardware interventions in the Middle East impose huge cost for the U.S government. From the public opinions, America is an occupant. Therefore, agencies of the White House follow the software approach via improving the press, society, group democracy, and educational plans.

2-2-3 Economic goals
This point follows some purposes:
1) Providing the west energy: In this plan, The U.S wants to provide free and secure flow for petroleum. This purpose contains providing two third of required energy for the U.S, affecting foreign politics of European countries and Japan.
2) Markets of region: The Middle East is profited market. Dominancy over The Middle East as the main economic and transportation path is a very important point.

2-3-2 Cultural purposes:
Most of people in the Middle East follow Islam. The great Middle East plan tries to change cultural views of people via basing liberal democrat values. Therefore, by selecting cultural layers, provides the field of views changing; for example adults and the young.

2-3-4 Geographical purposes:
In this plan the geographical modifications are not refer to. But to change geographical and political boundaries are of important goals for the U.S. As Collin Powell points: the purpose from air attack to Iraq is to change the map of the Middle East and to create a new middle east. The purpose of the U.S from geographical modifications is the process of nation making. America wants to follow this hazardous process to make "every nation a country" till people fight because of boundaries problems. This plan as the frame to support groups of people, the poor religious provides the way for American long term purposes. In the new map, countries face with two kinds of changes; new countries with new names and changes in the region.

Hegemony theory
In general, the concept of Hegemony is used to describe the methods of social control for dominant groups. According to "Bekak", hegemony happens when the leader of a specific group successfully imposes special view on the society. Hegemony is a concept to shoe the efforts to grasp the power in daily life and it can find the roots of dominancy in the most confidential relations. Hegemony describes the return of political and cultural governance of the most powerful groups as reaction to people dreams to satisfy the needs of subordinated groups in the west world, to preserve dominancy in the society, by using the institutions of
civil societies which are the characteristics of liberal democrat and capitalism, acts and continues its dominancy.

3- Alqaedism after the September 11
After the September 11, global Jihad center moves toward caustic and full of hostility state and the members of Al-Qaida went to different countries and created different groups. The central core of Al-Qaida got weak. But the views of Al-Qaida were stronger than any other time. Jason Berek divided the steps of Al-Qaida development: the first stage since 1989 until 1996 when Al-Qaida was as the founder of Islamic republican in the world. The purpose of this stage was to guide war against Russia toward outside of Afghanistan. The second stage since 1996 until 2001 September 11 when Al-Qaida was as the basement. After issuing "jihad notification" by Ben hadean, a central core created for Afghan soldiers to take Jihad against the western countries. The third stage contains September 11 afterwards. After this time Al-Qaida was as the base. After destruction of Al-Qaida stations in Afghanistan, Al-Qaida outspread all around the world and its ideology depredated. Berek added that whoever has Al-Qaida view is considered as Al-Qaida member. Al-Qaida in its development after September 11, transformed into a flexible organization with global availability.

Theoretically, it's not possible to explain complex Al-Qaida networks with linear views. We should take a view which can elaborate the ambiguities and difficulties of networks. Some theorists propose "complexity theory". According to this theory, due to the increase of connections and information in the globalization era, this methodology is not suggested. Two proponents of this theory (Marion, Yulbin) believe that systems and complementary networks are different. In their opinions, complex networks have three characteristics: shaping, self-setting, and flexibility.

Shaping is a phenomenon due to which employers having common goals can create groups and networks. So, complex dynamic networks are created self-formed not via a specific database (Abbas Zade Fathabadi, 1389, p. 156).

Gonaratena believes that Al-Qaida has grown after the September attacks as can perform actions without central leadership. Local and regional groups with weak confidential relations take the responsibility of actions. Al-Qaida propagation both in infrastructures and networks, guarantee its security in the high levels. Cellular networks are resistant against the authority information equipment, because they are not hierarchical to lead it easily (Abbas Zade Fathabadi, ibid, 157). Factors causing popularity of Alga-Qaed:

a) Composed of self-forming groups with common gains
b) These groups are connected as weak, fair, strong
c) Al-Qada gains from lack of efficient situated solutions

After the September 11 attacks and also ads of Aljazire TV channel in Arabic and western Muslim countries changed to a champion and hero. Since Bush used the term “crusades”, some Muslims compared Ben Ladan with Salahadin Ayubi the famous figure of crusades. After September 11, the general atmosphere on Muslim was respect to Benladan (Abbas Zade Fatabadi, ibid, 159).

4- The U.s attack to Iraq and anti-American view:
After war in Afghanistan, the U.S prepared to war against Iraq, because to have secure, without terrorism and chemical equipment middle east and dominance on energy sources, Iraq occupation was necessary. Iraq war was a military action that happened on March 20, 2003 with international attack by the leadership of America and Britain. The main countries
were American army, United Kingdom and Poland, but 29 more countries play role in this attack as they sent forces to Iraq. Two points were explained by Bush: the relation of Saddam with Al-Qaida and destruction of group killing guns according to 1991 agreement.

In 1382, from the American point of view, Saddam was considered as a threat for west alleys, oil containers in the Persian Gulf, stability of the Middle East. In this regard, the decision for Iraq war was made. But the consequence of this attack was increasing anti-American and Islamic emotions in the region. The consequences of this attack can be considered as follow:

1- Spread of war against terrorism by the U.S especially in Iraq make the Arab public opinions exagerative which change Iraq to a member taking field for anti-American jihad. Also, Muslim authors compare Iraq occupation with Palestine occupation. Even Islamic institutions and clergies were invoked to resistant against occupation. For example, Alazhar in quote of Sheykh Tantavi announce that all Muslims are supposed to fight against American occupants. He announced that effort to inhibit American occupation is a must (Abbas Zade Fathabadi, ibid, 167).

2- After military and informative actions, the U.S ability to take force and basij decreased, but there was a hopeful scene in Iraq after war. Iraq created a suitable way to deploy activities of the second generation of Al-Qaida and growth of ideology all around the world. Announcement by Al-Qaida heads called Iraq war as "a unique situation for global jihad" to overcome on the U.S and deployment of battle into neighbor countries and assumed it as the scene for Israel-Palestine war.

For Alqaede heads, Iraq war was the second important event after September 11 and it was "a chance to establish Islamic government" in the region. It is evidenced that combination of blatancy Islamism was established which mainly composed of: “Ansaral Islam, Ansaralsane, Altohid and Aljahad" made a station in Iraq as: "Al-Qaida in Mesopotamia". Although these groups were independent, but they coordinate common army actions (Abbas Zade Fathabadi, ibid, 164).

Evaluating the power and weight of Al-Qaida in Iraq was so difficult due to various factors. Resistance in Iraq was so complicated, outspread and center less and it included vast spectrum of different ideological views. although there was conscience that more than 90 percent of soldiers in Iraq were from Iraq m but foreign soldiers play greater role because of suicide bombing against Iraq security forces, Shieh and Kurdish forces (Abbas Zade Fathabadi, ibid, 165).

5- The U.S policy to dominate on Persian golf

In the twenty century, a kind of change in the placement of Hegemonic government as well as Persian Gulf happened. The movements of governments in the Persian Gulf happened with delay about two decades, it means that European countries could not ply their roles at international level at the beginning of 1970s and the U.S take the main and superior role. Russia dissemination resulted in efforts of American leaders to design a monopoly system at the international level that consequently showed the Persian gulf as the only power in region (Mahmood Vaezi, ibid, 20).

Although the U.S efforts to dominant on the Persian Gulf started since some decades ago, but these efforts got worse after September 11. In current situation, issues like battle with terrorism and exaggeration in the Middle East provides sufficient excuses for the U.S presence in the Persian Gulf. Nevertheless, Hegemony politics in the Persian Gulf faced with crisis like disagreements of local players and equilibration of powers in region (Vaezi, ibid, 22).
The U.S used democracy deployment as its policy with the aid of soft and strong power. Although American policy makers introduce democracy as public gain for their audiences but this policy provides vital gain for the U.S in many cases. The U.S acquires its identity in international system from performing this policy. America is going to save the energy source in the Middle East for its economic fluctuations. Easy emission of energy from the Middle East while being democracy in this region is disagreeable and will cause problems and the U.S opened a separate account for economic crisis using saved energy in the Middle East. On the one hand, oil enforced the modern military equipment including helicopters, planes, tanks, battle cruisers, and defend shields via providing required energy, and on the other hand, guarantee the economic development of countries via moving the wheels of economy and technology of countries. In these situations, the U.S needs free and consecutive circulation of oil, in order to preserve its economic and military dominancy and for this purpose even uses military forces. Robert kiang states that the U.S may need long term concentration as well as presence in the Middle East because whenever there was an economic problem the reason was disorder in oil supply to the U.S. In this regard Hawardzinn states to grasp that the U.S is worry about the middle east is difficult, it can be answered with a word: oil (Hawardzinn, ibid, p. 16).

Most of political experts believe that Iraq war represents a fact. This fact is ever increasing effort to gain the oil resources according to Pierre Terzian, the manager of petro strategic newspaper, the Britain and U.S army do their best to preserve oil minister while no action is done to preserve other state offices like sanitary ministry, therefore preferences are shown well.

**Opposing with Islam world**

Pressures from Zionist and excitation of two famous American policy makers means Fukuyama and Huntington in introducing Islam as a serious enemy of west to self-invasion and overcome liberal ideologies capitalism play important role in forming new foreign policies (Abbasi, 1382-35). Hence after the September 11 crusades was preserved by president and he showed his grim intends. He tried to repeat the global historical events and by using Christianity educations introduced himself as divinity agent for all people. In addition to army attack to Afghanistan Iraq occupation may provide suitable fields to satisfy international Zionist purposes.

**6- Conclusion**

With Russia dissemination, the west didn’t have excuse for army presence in the Middle East. The September 11 events provided this opportunity for the west to continue presence with new plan. After September 11 the U.S tried to compensate the lack of communism via threat and terrorism. Since the U.S attributed terrorist actions to Islamism groups and because the Middle East was the center of Islamism this region was at the heart of global changes. After the September 11 event the factors related to the growth of Takfiri group are as follow:

**Divisions and basic discrepancy among Islamic nations:**

In the process of forming religious groups the first objection comes back to Muslim because until there was no discrepancy among Islam nation foreigners can't gain from this situation. Islam doesn’t have any fault and faults are from our Islamism. Preserve security of Zionist regime: it’s a long time that Zionist regime imposes its presence and enforces his power through western government defeat. But after Islamic republic in Iran a huge earthquake
shakes the strategic boundaries of Zionists. But the first action to come with this threat was to show Islamic revolution reverse. The second approach was employment of Moghavemat groups to internal issues. The third factor was deploying discrepancy among government and the Middle East people to disregard Palestine. All these factors will be satisfied via support and enforcement of Takfiri groups. Hegemonic policy of the U.S in the Middle East in general the more. The course in the Middle East is the more logical the presence of the U.S is by increasing the sense of disregard among Muslim was related to longer stranger presence in the Middle East presence of Takfiri groups. Popularity among people and disregarding emotion of the young Muslims Selfi groups intent to gather the young in terrorist groups these factors provide the situation of the region .these situations including strangers presence miserable condition of Palestine and consecutive attacks of Zionist to Muslim privacy pave the path for widespread presence of the young from all around the world in these groups. The point is that why some Takfiri groups take their guns toward their previous alleys means the west and Arab countries? The answer is boomerang theory .when boomerang is thrown it comes back to the some person. When some Takfiri groups found that western and Arabic emblems didn’t work and they have problems in being in subordinated countries and they are considered as terrorist and after consecutive breaks and when they see that their emotions are not valued by western and terrorist supporters they moved backward and take gun toward the west. It's noteworthy that feeling afraid of Islam is introduction to Islam fighting. Quran burning shows that Islam revolutionary Islam and political Islam are not their hostility but they disagree with Quran and Islamic acts and now they have to take the masks off .it should be said that countries which support terrorism support Takfiri they will lose, because those citizens who are active as terrorist will change to dangerous and educated liberal democrats that are threats foe security of country and may form bigger groups of terrorists to react to their countries and therefore battle with terrorist is not easy.
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