

## Pakistan Muslim: Rips Malcolm Statements Printed in Foreign Press

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The "last letter" from the late Malcolm X (published in the Swiss Arabic-Islamic journal, "Al-Muslimoon") quoted in my article of December 10, contains several additional points warranting comment in this space.

For instance, the second paragraph of that letter reads, in part: "Since my return to the States, I have been very busy trying to get the Muslims reorganized into True Islam . . ." I, for one, cannot accept this to be a statement of facts.

My belief is that Malcolm—judging from his public speeches and published writings and from his actions—never did comprehend the concept of "True Islam."



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On the other hand, his conduct and behavior, as reflected in his incessant attacks on the Honorable Elijah Muhammad—his own mentor and former leader and teacher—proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that he was devoid of essential Islamic characteristics.

I AM ALSO of the opinion that Malcolm X spent very little of his time and energies in "reorganizing the Muslims . . ." He was too preoccupied with his (so-called) "Afro-American Unity" organization and with other non-Islamic endeavors

to serve his (Muslim) brothers' interests.

In the next paragraph of his letter, Malcolm describes his financial difficulties and adds: ". . . In fact, at the present time I do not see how I'm going to be able to make the Hajj this year." This brings to my memory the episode of his intended journey to Saudi Arabia the year before.

Shortly after "confirming" his permanent break from the Nation of Islam (led by the Honorable Elijah Muhammad), Brother Malcolm had asked me to help arrange for him an "extensive tour of the Muslim world, including the Holy Cities of Mecca and Medina."

I HAD, HOWEVER, refused to cooperate with him on the ground that he could not undertake the sacred journey (pilgrimage to the holiest cities of Islam) on borrowed money. And he had volunteered to me that, lacking funds of his own, he would have to finance his travel with money loaned by his sister.

Despite the points of dispute mentioned above, the most peculiar aspect of the Malcolm letter—as of NOW—might prove to be the personality to whom it was ad-

ressed: Dr. Said Ramadan, editor of "Al-Muslimoon" and believed to be the chief "Eastern" Muslim supporter of the late Malcolm X.

A self-styled "exile" from Egypt, Dr. Said Ramadan was identified a few weeks ago as a key figure in the recently uncovered (and, thanks to Almighty Allah, promptly thwarted) plot to overthrow the popular regime of that great and beloved Arab-Muslim leader, President Gamal Abdel Nasser, and may soon be tried in absentia by the highest court of law of the United Arab Republic.

JUST A coincidence that a "hypocrite"—a follower of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad turned foe—should befriend a potential enemy of a great Muslim nation (Egypt)? I should think not, though, as a Muslim would say, Allah alone knows best!

### UAR Aids Kuwait

AL KUWAIT—A delegation of UAR engineers and experts of the General Organization for Chemical Industries is visiting Kuwait to assist in the installation of machines and equipment in the first fertilizer plants set up in Kuwait.

The delegation is here according to an agreement between the organization and the National Fertilizer Company in Kuwait.