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ABSTRACT:

Robert Spencer is one of the American blogger orientalist of present time, writer of the thirty books almost never let any chance to defame Islam and Quran. He is the person who often addresses the agencies and other law enforcement agencies' to set their goals and direction regarding the policies of third world countries and he excessively utilized electronic media. He debates on Fox news about Islam and jihad and talk on terrorism. He had the eyes of eagle on any incident where ever happen to put its responsibility over the Muslims. As everybody knows after the incident of 9/11 Quran was sharply recited in Europe and America and a lot of people accept Islam who judged honestly that it is not the religion of terrorism. Then he thought it is the apt time to create some doubts in Quran. He confesses in his book that Islam and Quran were widely studied by the Americans. Being he member of the organization stop Islamization in America he wrote much against Islam and about compiling Quran.

KEYWORDS: Robert as a current orientalist, Robert's ideology regarding Islam, Robert's concept about compiling Quran

INTRODUCTION:

The American author and blogger was born 27, Feb 1962. He is a member of counter-Jihad movement in America. He was suddenly

appear on Fox news channel and got fame.¹He has addressed in many seminars to law enforcement agencies in.²He has very close friendship with another blogger named Pamela Geller. He is self-proclaimed adopt on radical Islam. ³He had published many books against Islam, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and Pakistan as well. The details of his books are as under: -

The myth of Islamic tolerance (2005)

Stealth Jihad: How radical Islam is subverting America without Guns or Bombs (2008)

Inside Islam: A guide for Catholics. (2003).

Islam unveiled

The Complete infidel's guide to the Koran.

Onward Muslim soldiers (2003)

Did Muhammad exist? (2015)

The Complete Infidel's guide to ISIS.

Islam unveiled (2002)

Complete infidel's Guide to Iran (2016)

Arab winter comes to America. (2014)

¹ "Meet The Extremists Who Lead Fox's Conversation About Islam". Media Matters. January 13, 2015.

² "Anti-Muslim speakers still popular in law enforcement training". The Washington Post. March 12, 2014.

³ Deland, Mats (2014). In the Tracks of Breivik: Far Right Networks in Northern and Eastern Europe. Berlin Wien: Lit Verlag. p. 162. ISBN 3-643-90542-4.

Not peace but a sword (2013)

Everything used to work (2016)

The Complete Infidels Guide to Free Speech. (2017)

Religion of peace why Christianity is and Islam is not.

He is also the writer of the book. "New York Times" ⁴

He criticizes Islam and he is member of SIOA (Stop Islamization of America and the freedom defense with another blogger named Pamela Geller.

He also co-authored a book "The post American Presidency: The Obama Administration's war on America.

He denies this tells that his real focuses on radical Islam and its violence. Once he has given the statement that may foster hatred that might lead to inter community violence. After this statement British government has barred Robert and his friend Pamela Geller. From travel to U.K. for three to almost five years ⁵

BACK GROUND:

Robert Spencer belong catholic school of thought and hate protestant. He got his master degree in religious study and catholic study was his thesis topic in 1986 from the University at Chapel Hill of North Carolina.. ⁶He has told he has been studying theology of Islamic law.

⁴ Simon & Schuster: "Robert Spencer" retrieved December 25, 2015

⁵ Simon & Schuster: "Robert Spencer" retrieved December 25, 2015

⁶ "The monophysite in the mirror, by Robert Bruce Spencer". Davis Library Thesis, Religion, 1986. UNC-CH Libraries.

⁷Now he is an ardent member of the Christian Melkite Greek Catholic Church. ⁸

According to him, the entire members of this organization concentrated in Jordan, Syria and also in Lebanon and Palestinian territories.

In his early life he was dwelling in the area that is now a part of turkey all this he exposed in an interview and he narrated his parents constrained him to migrate to another region because they were Christians. During the cold war his parent performed his duty for the voice of America, he stated it in an interview in 2010 in New York magazine Spencer also worked in a book store in the above mentioned city of founded by him

SENTIMENTS REGARDING ISLAM:

Robert Bruce Spencer believes that traditional Islam in not conventionally terroristic .He remain in try to prove from But his different academies unanimously given the instruction of combat against unbelievers enslavement .However he also accept that the notion of all he Muslims are not necessarily violent. ⁹According to his concept there is a large strength of moderate Muslims those are trying

⁷ "Marines gather to honor, celebrate". Trib.com. 2005-10-26. Retrieved 2010-11-01.

⁸ "About Robert Spencer". Jihad Watch. Retrieved 2010-11-25.

⁹ "The Last Patriot: Worse than Spencer's books!". Jihad Watch. July 7, 2008.

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actually to frame the theory and practice of Islam must be equals with the non-Muslims for peaceful coexistence as well.¹⁰

It any one study Spencer he will find him the huge giant against Islam. This is the clear prove of his anti-Semitism that he co-founded two organizations 1 “stop Islamization of America” (SIOA) and 2nd one is the American freedom defense Initiative (AFDI) IN 2010 .These both councils one designed as hate groups by the anti –Defamation league and southern poverty law center.¹¹

When a journalist of the Washington post asked Spencer of in an interview whether he was really combative, he chuckled and said “why not” It’s fun. The Islamic relation council on America often condemned Spencer on various occasion.¹²

Benazir Bhutto, the (late) former Pakistani prime minster said about Spencer. “Falsely provoke a negative division between west and Islam” she also remarked about him he is creating hate against Islam by using internet. “It is a side inflammatory story that only helps to sow the seed of civilization conflict.¹³ So, same comments are also stated by Ibn Qarrag Ibn Qarrag.

¹⁰ Robert Spencer (January 14, 2006). "What is a moderate Muslim?". Jihad Watch.

¹¹ Lach, Eric (March 1, 2011). "Pam Geller on 'Hate Group' Label: 'A Badge of Honor'". Talking Points Memo

¹² CAIR. "Press Releases"

¹³ Benazir Bhutto, Reconciliation: Islam, Democracy, and the West, Harper, 2008, pp. 245-6.

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The British author named Karen Armstrong is also a Roman Catholic religious sister. She is also known due to her writing on comparative religion. She ridiculed his work as showing "strong enmity" against Islam she gives her views that scripture are just like cherry picked.¹⁴ Putting among other instances Spencer never cites that Quran condemned warfare as an "awesome evil" It's forbidden from aggression and its persistence that only self-defense armed combat or contends.

The outcome declared about his books is a gift to extremists who can use it to prove that the west is incurable hostile to their faith" She emphasis her concept by quoting the verse from Holy Quran 2:217 (Al-Baqarah) one can judge Spencer's anti-Semitism when he replied on that the verse which Karen quotes is specified for the scared months he accuses on Armstrong of context dropping by omitting the fact that this was a defense for the prophet Muhammad's war in response to his persecution.¹⁵

He is a controversial personality not only among the Muslims but also in Christians. He does not like Protestants. He is very fanatic concerning Catholics among the Muslims countries as Malaysia, Palestine, Egypt, and Pakistan and also controversial in UK and within the America too.

SOME OF THE ACTIONS THAT ARE TAKEN OFFICIALLY AGAINST HIM:

¹⁴ Armstrong, Karen (April 27, 2007). "Balancing the Prophet". Financial Times

¹⁵ Spencer, Robert (May 5, 2007). "Book adheres to historical record". Financial Times. Retrieved March 6, 2012

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The government of Pakistan took a strict action against his book "The truth about material including the book regarding the Holy Prophet Muhammad (P.B.U.H) Pakistani Government announced on December 20, 2006 banned his book in Pakistan.¹⁶

Same is the cause in Malaysia. The government of Malaysia announced a ban on 12 July 2007 on Spencer's book. Onward Muslim soldiers. ¹⁷

EMIERT (Ethnic & Multi of the American Library Association at the annual meeting in 2009 asked Spencer to participate in an informal session concerning Muslims and Islam which is designed for ethnic and multicultural Library and whose title was "Perspectives on Islam: Beyond the stereotyping" after the objections which were raised by American Library Association and common people. There are three panelists withdrew in protest and the session was ultimately discarded ¹⁸

S.I.O.A.

Stop Islamization of America" put an application before the US patent and trademark office for trade-marking disparages all Muslims as terrorists. The office rejected the application. The US trade mark examining attorney refuted his claim. They provide evidence along with document found the "Lexis Nexis" databases how the Muslims

¹⁶ "Pakistan: Book Closed on Muhammad".

¹⁷ "Ministry Bans 14 Books". BERNAMA. 12 July 2007.

¹⁸ Raya Kuzyk; Norman Oder (July 11, 2009). "ALA Conference 2009: Panelists Quit Session Featuring 'Islam Basher'". Library Journal. Retrieved June 11, 2011.

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majority would considered terrorist. It is an illegitimate adherent of Islam.

There is an article which is published in August 2010 the Washington post " Park 51 controversy" this article clearly declared him and Pamela Geller the conservative orientalist. They had been in challenging construction project the Park 51 and influential over Ground Zero Mosque" ¹⁹ His launched the first protest outside of the park 51 location on 6, June 2010.

ISLAM PHOBIA:

History tells us, the ruling class of Jewish and Christian wars against Islam. Because if Islam got triumph over Christianity or over Jewish they would be crushed or they would leave accept Islam. This is no third war. So to rescue their dominancy they fought wars and pass dialogues. These incidents are not single. There are a series of such warfare's and dialogues. And try to depress Islam politically and publish Quran to create hate Islam because after 9/11 Quran was the most rectiable book among the European an especially in America Robert also confess it in his book "the complete in fedial guide to the Karan" Some of the examples are as under.

Arab Israel War of 1967

Conspiracies with Saudi

Arabia of Phlastian Israiel war 2020

War against Jewish Gazwa bni Qanqa war of

¹⁹ Michelle Boorstein (August 19, 2010). "In flap over mosque near Ground Zero, conservative bloggers gaining influence". The Washington Post.

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Gazwa ibn Nazeer.

Gazwa Ibn Quariza.

The success of Jerusalem e.t.c.

It is to prevent Islam in west and to stop the Christians to accepting Islam is the grates goal of the Orientals.

For this purpose a huge group of the oriental cast late, denude, abhor, scorn in the heart of western people against Muslims and Islam through their composition in such description they tried to create doubts and do objects on Quran, Hadees Seerat and Jurisprudence.

The former British Prime Minister William Ewart Gladston stated in 1872.

It is impossible for the Europe to capture the east whenever Quran exist. Whether in the presence of the Quran, feel peaceful is not right of the Europe. (45)

Al-jazairian French governor stated. It is compulsory for us to crush Quran from their bodies, and exclude Arabic language from their tongue, though. We can take revenge.

The contemporary American oriental it's considered a very loyal orientalist. He gives his views that Islam is the greatest danger for the west and western civilization.

Preach of Christianity in Muslim

The second main ambition is the preaching of Christianity in Muslim and generates doubts in Islam. Abdul-rah- man states that.

Evangelist determines the syllabus of Islamic study and Arabic methodology teaching and curriculum. German professor had described that orientalism not merely a literary movements rather its ambition is to preaching Christianity and rejection of Islam.

The famous orientalist Edward William Lane (1870-1876) came into Egypt and stayed two years here. On his way back to England he wrote a book.

which were published many times in England, Germany, America so that the West before attacking on the East acquired possible information.²⁰

ROBERT SPENCER'S IDEOLOGY ON COMPILING QURAN:

Robert Spencer confesses the meaning of the Arabic word Quran "Recitation" and inauguration of the revelation was done 610 A.D. He also confesses that Gabriel was the Angel who transmitted Allah's command to Muhammad ﷺ. All these revelations were joined by the companions of Muhammad ﷺ. He also confesses that Quran is the best book and mother of entire books which ever were with God.

In fact, this is a glorious Quran, in a Preserved Tablet. (85:22)

He also considers it a book of wisdom and mercy and guide book

These are the verses of the Book, rich in wisdom. A guide and mercy for the good-doers (31:2-3)

He strongly admits it that Quran not a production any creation but Allah; and argues on it, It is not for this Quran to have been produced by anyone other than Allah. In fact, it is a confirmation of what came before, and an explanation of the Scripture. It is, without a doubt, from the Lord of all worlds. (10:37)

Free from any mistake and weakness and flaw.

²⁰ Al Istahraq Bain ul Waqeeqa Watazlim, Ismail Ali Muhammad Noor Publisher, 56, 57,

It is a Quran revealed in Arabic without any crookedness, so perhaps they will be conscious of Allah. (39:28)

He confesses strongly

It is certainly. We who has revealed the Reminder and it is certainly We Who will preserve it. (15:9)

And this Quran is not the word of an outcast devil. (81:25)

He finally admits that Quran is cure the hearts and its words are the final and absolutely the central point of the Muslim life it is not a facetious book, it is a lamp of bright light whose light is ever last not extinguished.

Combining Quran is also one the topic regarding that he objects

One thing is most important to discuss here is that Robert is not fully aware about the history of compiling Quran. He is much unfamiliar on that topic He says that when Abu-Baker the first caliph of Islam Commanded to compile Quran after the war of Yamama. A huge strength of the companion was martyr in that battle they not only m but a part of Quran which they memorized too lost with their martyrdom

The second objection is that Hazrat Salim (may God be pleased with him) was also lost his life in the battle of yamama and the large collection that had saved to him had lost with his martyrdom it is absolutely wrong. He also accept it in the context of coming verses

It is certainly We Who has revealed the Reminder, and it is certainly We Who will preserve it. (15:9)

Quran is saved ever forever, and also presents the report of the American Islamic relation which he mention on the page no 25 of his book." The complete infidel's Guide to the Koran". Another object is

that the people who martyred in the war of Yamama, they had not simply died rather too died with their memories. It is very panic when he told the history of compiling Quran and gives the reference of Army news channel in 14 March 2004. It is too panic for the Muslim of the entire world when he says that the first three caliphs of Islam Abu-Bakar, Umar and Usman were totally unaware the passages of Quran which the martyred companion had in their memories and had yet not written collection that of Zaid's. It is very regret when he referred on it the speech of ex-prime minister of England Tony Blair*. Robert spencer did not know that the third calf was the very first Hafiz of Islam.

Indeed Robert wants to create doubt regarding the compile Quran. He thrills the English society by saying that Hazrat Zaid bin Sabit was not proper Hafiz absolutely memorized Quran.

When Hazrat Umar said to Abu Baker to compile Quran, if the large strength of Qura has martyred in wars then what would happened the Quran. First Abu Baker hesitate about its compiling then replied the work which was not be done by holy prophet in his life why did I do But Umar continuously insisted that it should be done at once. He was going on urging Abu Baker. To concentrate on his request, finally Abu Baker's heart softened and he became agree to do that work. Allah Almighty opened his chest and he sent for Hazrat Sabit and ordered him to compile Quran under the conditions that 4 evidence of hafiz and 2 evidence of written form. It was a very big project and zaid lonely was not performed that project he need other men and he of Abu Baker. Here Robert spencer very sharply notes the point and said zaid was not hafiz really, if he was absolute hafiz then he performed

lonely. There is deficiency of knowledge of Robert spencer. He was completely in dark about the principles and laws given by the Abu Baker. I carefully consult his entire writings; I remained unable to find some material about the committee. So I request the readers and especially Robert spencer to study the book Mahzarat Qurani by Doctor Mehmood Ahmed Gazi, available on internet in pdf form would be helpful to enhance his knowledge and removed his ambiguity.

It was blame on a revered grand companion that he was not hafiz properly. Robert confess on the page no 31 of his above mentioned book that zaid interviewed many people regarding the collection of Quran scriptures, scapula parchment. That was the principle of 2 written witness and 4th oral evidences behind that compile. Otherwise he was not need to interview the people. Robert very sharply Criticized the rending the two verses 9:128-29 of Khuzaima bin Sabith.

فَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا فَقُلْ حَسْبِيَ اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَهُوَ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيمِ²¹

Yet, if they should turn away, then tell them: "Allah is sufficient for me; there is no god but He. In Him I have put my trust. He is the Lord of the Mighty Throne."

I beware him these were the verses which was not avail in written form to anyone. One thing the readers must Kept in mind the description of horse incident of the companion of Khuzaina bin Sabit was rewarded the title of Zolashahatain/double witnessed.

²¹ Al Quran 9:128-29

Robert was too claimed that some of the passages of Quran has lost to qualify his concept he argues in the text from Quran When We replace a verse with another and Allah knows best what He reveals they say, (16:101) "You Muhammad are just a fabricator." In fact, most of them do not know.

Nasikh and Mansookh/Abrogation & Abrogated, Actual, the miracle of Quran, Robert is unaware the science of Nasikh & Mansookh of Quran. He thought that the substituted verses caused the loss of the abrogated verse.

He is unable to deeply understand the verse of Quran. The story surra Bayana is judged by him with his own angle .he is of the view that this surah was merely found in only the collection of Zaid. He completely neglect that it was in the memories of the other companion; for instance he totally unaware that it was the surah which listen by Abi-Bin-Kaab. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ himself listened by himself. As we see in Sahee Bukhari Hadeelt No 3809²²

In which the holy prophet ﷺ and Hazrat Ans Bin Malik was the eye witness on this incident. How much lucky Ubai Bin Kaab was that Allah Almighty who is the king's king mentioned the name of Ubai-Bin-Kaab. Robert is creating doubt in the affirmative of the authenticity in Quran.

It is very critical and pinching for entire Muslim scholar that during the phase of Usman Muslims were unknown to the Koran of zaid ten or eleven years from the Muslim of the Arab remain unknown from

²² Bukhari, Muhammad Bin Ismail,Sahi Bukhari,vol.6,book 66,no.4987

the Zaid's collection. It was a great blunder actually Robert want to divide the collection of Quran. Actually he wants to express that these were two or more than two Quran; spencer is unknown the committee which was formed by the order of Abu Baker when it was decided that It was essentially to compile the Quran in a book form, A committee in which almost 80 or 42 people was involved and according to Dr. Mehmood Ahmad Gazi 25 to 30 People including the first four caliphs participated and their names are in exist in the books of hadiths and seerah some of them are: -

1. Abu Baker
2. Umar Farooq
3. Osman Bin Affan
4. Ali Bin Talib
5. Zaid Bin Sabit
6. Abdullah Bin Masood
7. Zubair Bin Awam
8. Khalid Bin Saeed
9. Hanzala Bin Rabee
10. Khalid Bin waleed
11. Mugeera Bin Shoba
12. Amar Bin Alaas
13. Movia bin Abi-Sufyan
14. Hazrat Huzaifa Bin Yamaan
15. Aamer Bin Hibra
16. Salam
17. Abdullah Bin Arqum
18. Sabith bin Qars

19. Abdullah Bin Jobair etc.

Robert spencer was of the view that after compiling Quran was not distributed in public at the time of caliph Abu Baker .it was confined only to Hafasa (Umar's' Daughter and Muhammad'sﷺ wife) when Hazrat usman was much busy in the battles of Azerbaijan and Armeina one day Huzafa Bin Yaman came to him and exhibited his tension on the difference of recitation of the Quran. He refers it toward the hadith No 4987 for Bukhari.

حَدَّثَنَا مُوسَى ، حَدَّثَنَا إِبْرَاهِيمُ ، حَدَّثَنَا ابْنُ شِهَابٍ ، أَنَّ أَنَسَ بْنَ مَالِكٍ حَدَّثَهُ ، أَنَّ
حُدَيْقَةَ بْنَ الْيَمَانِ قَدِمَ عَلَى عُثْمَانَ وَكَانَ يُعَازِي أَهْلَ الشَّامِ فِي فَتْحِ إِزْمِينِيَّةَ وَأَذْرَبِيجَانَ مَعَ أَهْلِ
الْعِرَاقِ

Actually it was the quality that after compiling, Quran was distributed among the Muslim. The reality was different which is beyond the thinking of Robert. He is in confusion regarding the variation of Qirat recitation and collection. It was another issue. He is in confusion about collection and recitation.

In the phase of Usman the variations was occurred in the recitation but Robert thinks there were many Quran which had different verses and different composition. As the Muslims of Syria and Iraq was insisting to correct the accent but not the text. Here is confusion to Robert which he was urging that confusion of accent and pronunciation not in the text. The variation for Pronunciation and accent was converted to the variation of text Quran was not changed but decorated. There is lot of difference between decoration and changing change and attraction another issue. So, for as concern to the issues of chapters of the Quran. There is no ambiguity that complete

Quran has 114 Chapters. it is absolutely right that there is no variation among all Muslims when Robert talk about surah Fatiha the very first one it is the prelude and summery special gift of Allah for the Muslim and what he talk about the last two surah Hazrat Abdullah bin Masood Consider that both surah are the prayers from rescue the mischiefs of Satan. Both were the part of Quran and it was the decision of the committee formed by Abu Baker and Abdullah Bin Masood who was the earlier writer of the revelation and the his collection was also consult by the committee. Robert Spencer is unaware that every verse of the Quran was compiling under super vision four companions with evidences. All these 14th evidences was multi checked by the members of the committed and two written evidences in other out of committee to shout the mouth of the orientalist as Robert spencer; otherwise only the Zaid bin Sabith and one as Abi Bin Kaab, Salim and Abdullah Bin Masood could do that difficult task lonely and secretly it was done in the open committee and in front of all the Muslims so may not create any suspension.

CONCLUSION:

Robert Spencer is one of the American blogger orientalist of present time, writer of the thirty books almost never let any chance to defame Islam and Quran. He is the person who often addresses the agencies .he is the person who spend all his time to defame Islam he confess the authenticity of Quran by heart but try his best to creates doubts in its compiling. He is the worst enemy of Islam and is always trying to discredit Islam in any way. This person has played a major role in spreading suspicions about the Qur'an and defaming Islam in the Western world.

This is the person about whom Benazir Bhutto, the (late) Ex-Pakistani prime minister said about him. “Falsely provoke a negative division between west and Islam” he is member of the organization “stop Islamization in America” He had written much material against Islam, Quran, and jihad. He remained busy in creating Islam phobia in Europe and as well as in America against Pakistan and Islam. The Readers and especially Muslims ought to be ware to study of his books because much Muslim country including Britain had banned his books in their countries



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