

#### "GENDER CONFUSION"

#### Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us strive our utmost in increasing our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with absolute *taqwa*, by performing all that has been commanded by Allah and His Messenger, and also avoiding all that has been prohibited by Him. Our *salawaat* and *salaam* upon our beloved Prophet Muhammad

Today, I would like to discuss a topic that is pertinent for the Muslims, namely "GENDER CONFUSION".

## Dear blessed audience,

The issue of gender confusion, whether being a male or female, has existed for a long time. Such group is also known as being "trapped in the wrong body" or "a female that was born as transsexual" having the resemblance of a male. In other words, a man that resembles a woman, imitating a woman in his clothing by putting on women's clothing and having the character of a woman. Whereas for the woman, she would imitate the man by putting on men's clothing and having the character and behavior of a man.

Such problem truly exists and it must be given serious attention. The society should not allow this group of people to continue drifting away,



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At-Tin; 4



heedless and negligent in a lifestyle that they created. Mankind was born with innate attributes according to the decree and will of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 13 of Soorah al-Hujuraat regarding the creation of male and female:

"O mankind, indeed We have created you from male and female and made you peoples and tribes that you may know one another. Indeed, the most noble of you in the sight of Allah is the most righteous of you. Indeed, Allah is Knowing and Acquainted."

(al-Hujuraat 49:13)

#### **Blessed Muslims**,

In the midst of busyness while wading through the worldly lives today, mankind tends to forget their limits as humans and their duties as vicegerents of Allah on this earth. This negligence will cause some to slip and become ungrateful upon the favors bestowed in their lives. Instead, they would allow themselves to be dominated by the evil *Shaytaan* and their lustful desire, which leads them to immoral acts in the society. The immoral acts being referred to here are those that are truly against nature itself and committing something that contradicts nature, behavior, and disposition bestowed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* upon them.

Based on a *hadeeth* collected by Imaam al-Bukhaari, ibn 'Abbaas *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma* narrated that the Prophet had said that behaving like the opposite gender is *haraam* and severely prohibited in Islam.

"Allah's Messenger (عليه وسلم) cursed men who imitate women and women who imitate men."



In the *Muzaakarah* (Discourse) of the Fatwa Committee, of the National Council for Islamic Affairs of Malaysia, which convened for its 25<sup>th</sup> session on December 13<sup>th</sup> 1989, the status of *"mak nyah"* (transvestite) in Islam was discussed. In its 126<sup>th</sup> meeting held on February 24<sup>th</sup> 1983, *Majlis Raja-Raja* (The Conference of Rulers) had agreed with the fatwa issued by the Fatwa Committee:

"Sex reassignment surgery is forbidden according to the *shara*'. With that, prohibited matters pertaining to a man imitating a woman and vice versa, are as follows:

- 1. Altering the physical form including gender,
- 2. Gait and body movement.
- 3. Speech and voice.
- 4. Make-up (ornaments).
- 5. Clothing."

### Dear blessed audience,

The reality is that the existing phenomenon of transgender within our society cannot be allowed to become widespread. Structured and continuous da'wah approach must be done to curb it from an early stage. Today, I am hoping for cooperation from the family members, community, and NGOs to collectively provide continuous support and guidance so that they will initiate the change towards better, and also to develop a treatment and recovery program in calling them to return to the right path. The parents are advised to educate their children according to their innate nature and inclination. For example, providing suitable clothing according to their gender.

# Dear blessed Muslims,

The existence of this minority group is becoming apparent within our society. This is proven through reports from the mass and electronic media regarding the issue of transgender. If this phenomenon is not probed in details, then it is feared that it will spread becoming a more serious social problem. Consequently, it will leave a negative impact upon the society in various aspects such as morality, social, health, religious, legal, and economic.

What is even alarming is that this minority group is becoming more active in establishing associations and demanding their rights according to the law so as to justify their actions. Furthermore, they are fighting for equality



without hindrances in carrying out their lives just like normal people, especially the rights for freedom and marriage. This is not something impossible to happen because in many Western countries, the rights and protection sought by this group had received attention and in the end, they were recognized by the legal system.

The situation is becoming worse with the influence of mass and electronic media that is becoming more sophisticated and borderless. Social websites are becoming the medium for them to easily communicate and unite in building up their influence and planning their joint activities easily without intervention.

## Dear blessed Muslims,

Living in a society, each person has a role, responsibility or obligation towards the society. It is unfair if we would only look at this group becoming astray and further away from the mercy of Allah without making any effort to aid them in returning to the path that is pleasing to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

To conclude this *khutbah*, let us altogether ponder upon the following:

- 1. The Muslim *ummah* must remain grateful for every matter that has been predetermined without altering the creation of Allah, and remain pleased with such decree.
- 2. The Muslim *ummah* is obligated to know that the ruling of changing one's gender from male to female or vice versa by any means is *haraam* (impermissible) according to the *shara*.
- 3. The Muslim *ummah* must increase their level of *taqwa* within themselves so that they will not be easily influenced with elements that deviate from the *Sharee'ah* of Islam.



أَعُوذَ بِٱللَّهِ مِنَ ٱلشَّيْطَنِ ٱلرَّجِيمِ وَأَنَّ هَاذَا صِرَاطِي مُسْتَقِيمًا فَٱتَّبِعُوهُ ۖ وَلَا تَتَّبِعُواْ ٱلسُّبُلَ فَتَفَرَّقَ بِكُمْ عَن سَبِيلهِۦ ذَالِكُمْ وَصَّلَكُم بِهِۦ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ ﴿

"O mankind, worship your Lord, who created you and those before you, that you may become righteous."

(al-Baqarah 2:21)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ، وَنَفَعَنِيْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُو، إِنَّهُو هُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ.

أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُو هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ



## THE SECOND KHUTBAH

اَلْحَمْدُلِلَّهِ الَّذِيْ جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحُدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُوْلُهُ وَ اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكُ وَحُدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ وَاللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكُ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّيْنِ. أَمَّا عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّيْنِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللهِ ، أَتَقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَقُونَ.

#### Dear blessed Muslims,

Once again, I would like to remind all of us that Islam teaches us to remain moderate in every actions and deeds. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble *akhlaaq*, having utmost personality and attitude for Rasulullah was sent to perfect *akhlaaq* and as mercy for the entire mankind and the worlds. At the same time, we are to avoid any form of deviant ideologies and extremism in which its consequences will only disrupt the harmony, unity, and security of the Muslim *ummah* and our nation.

إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ وَمَلَيْهِكَ تَهُ مُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى ٱلنَّبِيِّ يَتَأَيُّا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ صَلُّواْ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُواْ تَسْلِيمًا.

اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلاَنَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَرْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِيْنَ.

اَللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِیْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِیْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الأَحْیَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالأَمْوَات، إِنَّكَ سَمِیْعُ قَرِیْبٌ مُجِیْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَیَا قَاضِیَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَیْكَ بِنَبِیِّكَ الْمُشْفَلُ وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَیٰ أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَیْنِ بِنَبِیِّكَ الْمُشْفَلُ وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَیٰ أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَیْنِ بِنَبِیِّكَ الْمُرْمِیْنِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَآئِكَ الْحُسْنَىٰ وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَیٰ أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَیْنِ عِنْایَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِیَّةِ وَبِحِفْظِ وِقَایَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِیَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِکِنَا الْمُعَظَمِ سُلْطَان عَلاَعُور، سُلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِین ادریس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلاحُ الدِین عبد العزیز شاه الحاج. اَللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَایَةَ وَالتَّوْفِیْقَ، وَالصِّحَةَ الدِین عبد العزیز شاه الحاج. اَللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَایَةَ وَالتَّوْفِیْقَ، وَالصِّحَةَ



وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاعُور، تَعْكُو أَمِير شَاه اِبْنِ السُّلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج فِيْ أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَاالْجَلَالِ وَالإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطِلْ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوَظَّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّهَادِ.

O Allah, You are the Lord that is All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed upon us *rahmah* and *ni'mah*, that we are able to continue the effort in empowering the Muslim *ummah* especially in the state of Selangor, as an advanced state, prosperous and providing welfare, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.

Hence, we sincerely beseech You, O Allah, strengthen our *imaan*, accept our deeds, strengthen our unity, increase our *rizq*, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, cultivate our soul with good mannerisms, return us to the path that You are pleased with, protect us from disasters and Your severe trials such as droughts, floods, the plagues of Zika and Dengue, so that our state will always remain protected and blessed.

O Allah, open up our hearts in fulfilling the five daily prayers, performing zakaat, and other obligations, as well as making waqf and infaaq of our wealth especially to Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor (Selangor Waqf Corporation) and Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

O Allah, protect us from the practices and 'aqeedah that are astray such as Shee'ah, Qadiyaani, and other ideologies.

O Allah, aid Your slaves, the Rohingya Muslims, whom are severely tested and brutally oppressed. O Allah, bestow *'Izzah* (honor) upon our brethren, the Rohingyas, and destroy the disbelievers' regime with Your army, O Allah.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَ حِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنِ وَٱجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَآ ءَاتِنَا فِي ٱلدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي ٱلْأَخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ ٱلنَّارِ عِبَادَ اللهِ، إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِٱلْعَدْلِ



وَٱلْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَآيِ ذِى ٱلْقُرْبَ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَآءِ وَٱلْمُنكِرِ وَٱلْبَغِي ۚ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴾ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴾

فَاذْكُرُواْ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوْهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ عَنِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوْهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ عَنِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوْهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ عَلَى يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.