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Hajj must manifest a firm Muslim resolve - 26 /Oct/ 2009

Islamic Revolution Leader Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei in a meeting with organizers of this year's Hajj ceremony Monday noted that Islamic unity was a necessity for the Muslim world at present, adding that the Hajj ceremony must become a manifestation of firm resolve of the Islamic Ummah against any divisive move.

Ayatollah Khamenei described Hajj as a great opportunity and urged the Hajj pilgrims to grab their chance of presence in the holy mosques and shrines in the journey and add to their wealth of faith and spirituality.

Ayatollah Khamenei also urged the pilgrims to be careful not to spend the opportunity on cheap worldly affairs.

The IR Leader then noted that the opportunity was precious as it offers chance of relations with other Muslims, adding that an Iranian pilgrim is expected to present the IRI version of Islam to other pilgrims during the journey through conduct.

Ayatollah Khamenei then urged the Iranian pilgrims to attend congregational prayers in the two large mosques of Saudi Arabia (Masjid al-Haram and Masjid an-Nabi) in a show of unity of Muslims, adding that the advice was also a recommendation of the late founder of Islamic Republic Imam Khomeini.

Ayatollah Khamenei then said that the pilgrims could carry out a large Islamic propagation through holding of Komeil prayers and Disavowal of Pagans ceremony, adding that Hajj is manifestation of monotheism as it rejects any guardianship from any entity other than Allah.

Ayatollah Khamenei underlined the significance of Islamic unity at the current time and said that the carnages which take place in Iraq, Pakistan and some parts of Iran are aimed at sowing discord among Shii and Sunni Muslims.

"Those who carry out these terrorist and bloody moves are agents of aliens directly or indirectly," the IR Leader said.

The IR Leader said the Hajj pilgrims could not remain indifferent towards what takes place in the world of Islam, especially in Iraq, Afghanistan, Palestine and part of Pakistan.

Ayatollah Khamenei urged the pilgrims to avoid any divisive acts or efforts which aim to harm the hoisted flag of the world of Islam.

Ayatollah Khamenei then slammed the recent insults against Shii Muslims during Hajj, adding that these moves are in the interests of America and foreign spy services. The IR Leader urged the Saudi government to meet its duties regarding such moves.