

**The Only Refuge For the Oppressed In Pakistan Is MQM.  
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The Revolutions Cannot Be Brought Just By Thinking And Praying; It Needs  
Struggle: Altaf Hussain, In a Telephonic Public Address at 2<sup>nd</sup> Grand Assembly of MQM  
North America at Toronto, Canada.**

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Toronto, June 09, 2008: The Leader of Muttahida Quami Movement, Altaf Hussain has said that the only refuge and the shelter for the browbeaten and oppressed in Pakistan is MQM which has shaped out from that class of Pakistan which is surrounded by problems and not from the feudal class. He said that the revolutions materialize only with struggle and not just by thinking and praying for it. Mr. Altaf Hussain was delivering his thoughts while addressing over the telephone at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Grand Assembly of MQM North America at Toronto, Canada, held last week. The Grand Assembly was held at Ontario Science Center which was attended by MQM delegations from all over Canada and USA including Toronto, Ottawa, Calgary, Montreal, New York, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Chicago, Miami, Dallas, Houston, and Virginia. In his address, Mr. Altaf Hussain elaborated on the world economic crisis and said that the cost of per barrel oil has reached \$ 138.00 in the world markets and because of this oil crisis different other sources of energies are being tried and explored which is affecting the world's weather conditions. The ozone layer is being heavily damaged because of the atomic and chemical energy plants which is affecting the environmental condition of the world and which in turn provoking the natural disasters. He said that if on one side the natural disasters are on the rise, then, on the other hand the supply and production of food is going steep low which is directing to a big apprehension of world food crisis, to which, the experts, are giving the name of "Silent Tsunami" which will also affect Pakistan very badly. He said that we have to think and plan about these issues too and while concentrating on these big issues we should not get ourselves involved in trivial matters. We should work hard and we should be considerate to each other. Mr. Altaf Hussain said that like human beings, animals also try and struggle for the survival and existence of their species, however, human being, with the backdrop of the changes in their surroundings has gradually improved their living style and made new inventions for this purpose. He said, in older times it used to take months and months for a piece of information to reach from one country to another, however, the inventions of today have reduced the distance to such an extent that you are listening to each other while sitting thousands of miles distant. He said that the animals live for their own sake, while human being lives not only for himself and members of his household, he also lives and struggles for the sustenance, survival, and betterment of his coming generations. He said that the philosophy of MQM is "Realism and Practicalism" which means to appreciate the reality and then employ practical struggle for that. He said that if anything can't be achieved without struggling practically, any objective can also never be achieved without practical struggle. Rights are not served as hotcakes on the pan. He further said that no matter how beautiful and good the idea is, the desires cannot be fulfilled just by thinking unless we do practical struggle for that. He said that if anyone believes that a revolution or a rotten obsolete system could be changed only by prayers and just thinking about it, then we live with the fake perception. He said that if the ideology is right, the attachment to the ideology is based on loyalty and a firm belief in it then this ideology connects the people of the same thoughts despite of the geographical distances between them. He said that it is only the philosophy of the movement which has tied the workers living in USA, Canada, Britain, and other countries with the movement and they are struggling for the sustenance of the country, for the change of the obsolete system, for the rights of oppressed, and for the better future of the nation and country. He said that MQM is the only party which has shaped out from the oppressed class of the country and not from feudal lords, which has struggled for the collective rights of downtrodden and oppressed people of Pakistan instead of vested interests and rights of privileged families, and that is why, despite of all the atrocities from the establishment, MQM still exists. He appealed, through the congregation, to the Pakistanis living abroad to support and back MQM since MQM is the only safe haven for the poor of the country. He appreciated and paid strong tributes to the workers of MQM and Canada for their untiring efforts and steadfastness despite all the unfavorable circumstances and conditions. He insisted on them to continue their struggle for the movement. He said that InshaAllah the truth will prevail and tyranny will dissolve. Besides Mr. Altaf Hussain those who spoke at the Grand Assembly at Toronto include Caretaker, MQM USA, Ibad ur Rehman, Caretaker, MQM Canada, Dr. Syed Ali, Central Organizer, MQM USA, Ajaz Siddiqui, Central Organizer MQM Canada, Shakil Akhter, and Haq Parast MNAs from Pakistan Tayyab Hussain and Dr. Nadeem Ahsan.