



The Makkah Accord: A Human Model of Unity



Thousands of participants, all dressed in white, formed a human model of the “Makkah Accord”.

The event was organised by MUSLIM Institute on 20th October at the Shrine of Hadhrat Sultan Bahoo (R.A). The formation showed that the peace and security of the Muslim world matters to ordinary citizens as much as to governments and that the sanctity of Makkah and Madinah is a shared trust. The participants chanted slogans "Islam is Peace," "We are One," "Three Flags One Soul, Saudia Turkiye Pakistan"". The white colour was chosen deliberately. It is the colour of purity, humility, and unity, and it recalls the equality in which rank, nationality, and wealth fall away. Arranged as one image, the participants conveyed that the call for stability comes from the collective conscience and not from any single faction or interest. A

human model also teaches a simple lesson: no single participant can form the picture alone, and the picture is complete only when everyone holds their place. Collective security works the same way.



The Makkah Joint Defence Agreement, concluded by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Republic of Türkiye and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on August 7, 2026, has drawn wide international attention. It is built on the recognition that responsible states may organise themselves to meet present and foreseeable threats, a right that international law affirms, and diplomatic history has long practised.



The three signatories share a common reading of a turbulent environment. Conflicts across the region are straining the established order and may leave a strategic vacuum behind them. A vacuum of that kind rarely stays empty peacefully, and it invites rivalry, opportunism, and instability that no society can afford.

The partners bring distinct yet complementary strengths. Saudi Arabia holds a rare combination of assets: a pivotal position between continents and sea lanes, major energy resources and surplus production capacity, substantial financial weight, a growing, diversified economy under Vision 2030, and diplomatic reach across many capitals. It also carries the unique responsibility of hosting and serving the Haramain, the two holiest sites in Islam.

Türkiye offers geographic reach across Europe, Asia, and the Middle East, a capable defence industry and significant diplomatic experience, and it is also a NATO member. Pakistan contributes a large, battle-tested military, strategic capability.

Together, these strengths form a stabilising weight in a region that badly needs balance. The Accord also leaves room for other like-minded states to join over time, provided they share its objectives of peace, deterrence, and mutual respect.

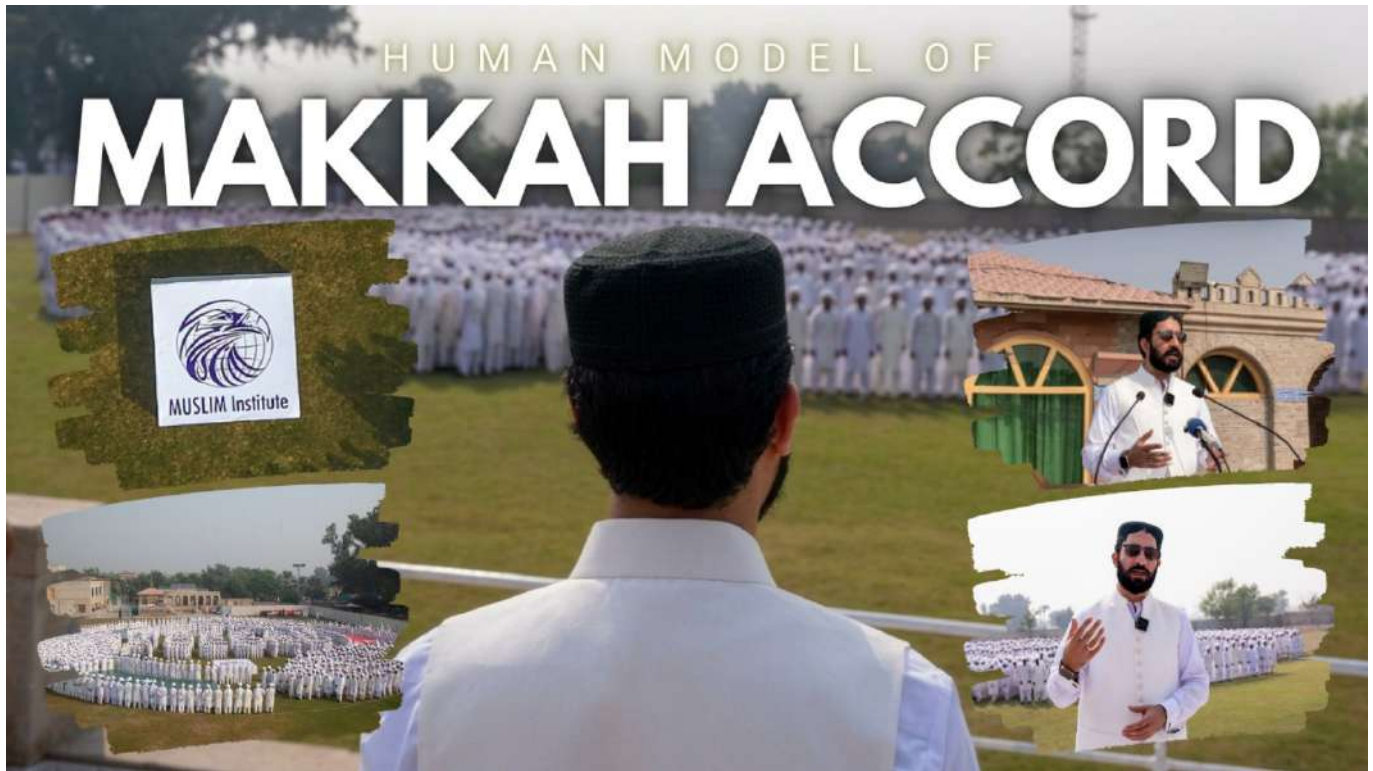
History shows that peace is rarely the product of strength alone. It grows where strength is joined by wisdom, restraint, and shared purpose. When thousands stand in one formation, in one colour and with one intention, they remind leaders and citizens alike what the Ummah can achieve together.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairman MUSLIM Institute Sahibzada Sultan Ahmed Ali said:

“Today’s formation is an act of solidarity with the Makkah Joint Defence Agreement between the three brotherly Muslim countries: Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and Türkiye. This human model formation presents our tribute and extends our solidarity. We see this pact as an auspicious sign for our self-defence, especially in the changing scenario of the Middle East and the world in general. It was much needed, as Article 51 of the UN Charter gives the right to one state individually and to many states collectively to take steps to ensure their territorial integrity and self-defence. The agreement is, therefore, both essential and timely. One thing we are clear about and want to tell the world is that this agreement is not against anyone. It is for our self-defence, and it places greater emphasis on capacity building and deterrence.

A unique aspect is that, since the concept of the nation-state emerged, this is the first time three major Muslim powers (Türkiye, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia), each influential among Muslim countries and each with its own attributes, have come together in such a pact. There have been many defence and strategic cooperation agreements before, but they were mainly bilateral. I believe this is the first-ever trilateral agreement between three major Muslim

countries, and it has the capacity to engage other regional powers. We are hopeful and can foresee that because of its effectiveness and seriousness, many other countries will come forward and join it in the future. We extend our best wishes and solidarity to the leadership of all three countries, and we hope to defend our holiest sites, our territorial integrity, and our people in these three countries.”



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