

Baloch Parliament Condemns Attacks by NATO and United States Forces inside Pakistani territory

By [Malik Siraj Akbar](#)

Global Research, November 16, 2008

[Daily Times Pakistan](#) 15 November 2008

Region: [Middle East & North Africa](#)

Theme: [Terrorism](#)

Pakistan: Balochistan Assembly condemns US strikes

QUETTA: The Balochistan Assembly on Friday passed a unanimous resolution condemning the attacks by NATO and United States forces inside Pakistani territory.

Earlier, the House debated NATO strikes on civilian population in the Tribal Areas in the garb of targeting terrorists.

Jaffar Khan Mandokhel, the parliamentary leader of the Pakistan Muslim League-Quaid (PML-Q) had requested the assembly to debate the increasing attacks.

The parliamentarians said the war against terrorism was not Pakistan's war but that of the US, however, Pakistanis were facing its repercussions.

Pakistan, they insisted, should withdraw its 'blind support' for the US and lodge a protest with the United Nations over repeated violations of its territorial sovereignty.

Members of the provincial assembly from the Pakistan People's Party (PPP) strongly criticised Provincial Minister for Agriculture and Central Secretary General of the Balochistan National Party (BNP) Mir Asadullah Baloch's demand of an 'independent Balochistan'.

They strongly condemned the remarks and demanded Assadullah's expulsion from the House.

Balochistan Minister for Communication Mir Sadiq Umrani lamented the slogan of independent Balochistan and reminded the BNP minister that he had taken an oath to remain loyal to the state of Pakistan.

PML-Q member Pir Abdul Qadir Gillani requested the speaker to cancel Asadullah's membership.

Walk out: PPP provincial assembly members Ali Madad Jattak, Sadiq Umrani and Ghazala Gola staged a walkout to protest the grant of the Ministry of Minority Affairs to a PML-Q member.

Ghazala Gola was earlier in charge of the ministry. Addressing a news conference, the PPP leaders said they were not consulted before the move.

"We demand that priority should be given to the leaders of the PPP for allotting ministries.

Gola has made valuable contributions for the PPP and it's unfair to deprive her of the ministry she had been given formerly," said Umrani.

Provincial Minister for Disaster Management Babu Mohammad Amin said a large quantity of relief assistance had arrived in the areas hit by the October 29 earthquake.

However, the lack of co-ordination among the authorities was leading to inefficient distribution, adding that it was also becoming difficult to keep a record of the aid distributed out until now.

The original source of this article is [Daily Times Pakistan](#)
Copyright © [Malik Siraj Akbar](#), [Daily Times Pakistan](#), 2008

[Comment on Global Research Articles on our Facebook page](#)

[Become a Member of Global Research](#)

Articles by: [Malik Siraj Akbar](#)

Disclaimer: The contents of this article are of sole responsibility of the author(s). The Centre for Research on Globalization will not be responsible for any inaccurate or incorrect statement in this article. The Centre of Research on Globalization grants permission to cross-post Global Research articles on community internet sites as long the source and copyright are acknowledged together with a hyperlink to the original Global Research article. For publication of Global Research articles in print or other forms including commercial internet sites, contact: publications@globalresearch.ca

www.globalresearch.ca contains copyrighted material the use of which has not always been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. We are making such material available to our readers under the provisions of "fair use" in an effort to advance a better understanding of political, economic and social issues. The material on this site is distributed without profit to those who have expressed a prior interest in receiving it for research and educational purposes. If you wish to use copyrighted material for purposes other than "fair use" you must request permission from the copyright owner.

For media inquiries: publications@globalresearch.ca