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The Tragedy of Syed Saleem Shahzad

The Portal of "Free Afghanistan" and its associates strongly condemn the killing of Syed Saleem Shahzad, the courageous journalist and writer, by Pakistan's security apparatus, mainly ISI. With great sadness and utmost sorrow, we declare that it is indeed a tragedy at the highest level. The Portal of "Free Afghanistan" and its associates, hereby, extends their deepest condolences to the family, friends and Asia Times online for the loss of this brave man.

Syed Saleem Shahzad was the source of inspiration for the Portal of "Free Afghanistan" and its associates. The Portal always has reflected his brilliant, analytical articles and commentaries on South Asian and world affairs. Now, the Portal is deprived of the writings of this great journalist who was so endeared to us. His depth of knowledge of the political and social issues of Pakistan and the region was unsurpassed. His courage and confidence in discovering untold and unknown stories is recorded in the history of political struggles against tyranny and oppression. That is why he became the victim of a premeditated plot by ISI, the inhuman Pakistani intelligence service.

The kidnapping and murder of Syed Saleem Shahzad reminds us that Pakistan is still a dangerous place for bold journalists and peace-loving people to live. Syed Saleem Shahzad is not with us anymore, but the memory of his courage and determination will remain with us for a long time to come.

Regards' AA-AA

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