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Senator Professor Khurshid Ahmad a leader of Jamaat-e-Islami has proposed a 4-point formula for solution of Bosnian crisis and to put an end to genocide of Muslims in the former Yugoslavian state.

Senator Khurshid who has recently visited Bosnian told a select audience of scholars and diplomats at Institute of Policy Studies that the use of force was unavoidable to force Serbs out of Bosnia.

Calling for an immediate arming of Muslims fighting for their survival and sovereignty, Senator Khurshid proposed immediate lifting of UN embargo on supply of arms to enable Bosnians to defend themselves.

He was of the view that the

Islamic states should violate the Embargo in case the UN refused to oblige them because the embargo benefited only the heavily armed Serbs and cut off all supplies of weapons to Muslims of Bosnia.

Thirdly, he said, the Islamic world should threaten to send their troops to protect Bosnians and independence of their country in case the UN failed to act and authorise the use of force to stop Serbian aggression and systematic killing of Muslims.

Fourthly, he said we must ask the UN to institute an international commission on war crimes to probe into the genocide of Muslims and their torture in 104 concentration camps.

Paying glowing tributes to Bosnian people Senator Khurshid said millions of Muslims

had been uprooted and thousands had lost their lives and yet they had shown unparalleled courage by resisting Serbs with their bare hands. While, he said "they are fighting we are just silent spectators to their extermination."

He said they were being punished for their faith in Islam and it was the duty of Muslims all over the world to come to their rescue at this critical hour. "We have no option as Muslims other than to respond to their appeals for humanitarian and material aid" he added.

He said Muslims had responded by sending humanitarian aid and scores of volunteers have gone to join the resistance but he was critical of leaders of the Islamic world for their fail-

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ure to organise an effective response to Serb challenge. "If half a dozen Muslim countries declare their intention to send their armed forces to Bosnia, the UN and the Western world would immediately swing into action", said the Senator referring to indifferent attitude of Islamic countries.

He said some concern had been shown by Pakistan, Iran, Turkey and Egypt and privately their national had been helping Bosnians waging armed resistance against Serbs but others had so far remained silent spectators.

Quoting western leaders Senator Khurshid said they had been proclaiming in the recent past the principles of peaceful co-existence and the use of force to compel aggressors to respect the UN charter. "Where they now when innocent people are being mercilessly killed and pushed out of their homes through use of brute force", he asked.

He said the real issue is the calculated genocide of Muslims and efforts to eliminate them physically. It is a crime against humanity and it is a crime that could be dealt with only through collective use of force against the Serbs, who were determined to realise their age-old dream of establishing a mythical Serbian empire.

He regretted that the West appeared to have condoned the Serbs and nothing had been done to stop the massacre of Muslims. he said Western leaders had confined themselves to humanitarian aid, which he said was something good but did not solve the real issue of the genocide of Muslims.

He called upon the Muslim leaders to play their rightful role and mobilise world public opinion against the arbitrary use of force by Serbs.

Senator Khurshid however appeared optimistic over the eventual success of Bosnians, who he said had shown great courage by fighting from city to city almost bare handed. He said they had never touched a pistol but today they were putting up a heroic armed resistance. He said the Serbian aggressors have also forced them to go back to Islam as their main source of strength and for which they were being persecuted.

Despite all atrocities, he said, Bosnians had a great potential to wage of successful war of resistance and Insha Allah they would be successful.