Summation of Hizb ut-Tahrir's UMMAH ASSEMBLY (Majlis ul-Ummah) By Bo Perrin

The Majlis al-Ummah represents the people in expressing views to the Caliph. (Article 101) Both Muslims and non-Muslims can participate to voice their complaints concerning unjust acts or misapplication of Shari' ah. The Majlis is elected (Article 102) The only qualifications is that the individual, male or female, must be mature and sane. (Article 103) Non-Muslim participation is limited to voicing complaints. Muslims and non-Muslims might mashoora or express their views but only Muslims can Shoora or be consulted. (Article 105) The views are not binding when they are concerned with legislation, definitions or intellectual matters. Yet, if the Caliph consults the Majilas in other areas the consultation is binding. (Article 104) If the Shoora is binding, the opinion is accepted if it is the majority opinion whether the opinion is correct or not.(Article 106) In other Shoora matters the correct opinion is sought irrespective whether the majority or minority holds the opinion.

The Majlis has five duties. (Article 107) First, they are to be consulted or give advice to the Caliph concerning affairs of ruling, education, health, economy, industry and the like. In addition, the Caliph might seek the Majlis' opinion in areas of finance, military and foreign policy but it is not binding. Second, the Majlis can the authority to question the Caliph regarding actions the state has taken. If the Majlis makes a decision, the decision is binding depending on whether the decision is the majority or minority decision. Third, the Majlis can express dissatisfaction with assistants, governors and mayors and the Caliph must discharge them. Fourth, the Majlis will be consulted when the Caliph makes rules, constitutions and cannons. Their opinions are not binding. Fifth, the Majlis picks the short list of the men who will be considered for the Caliph position. Once the list is compiled it cannot be altered. Only Muslims are allowed to participate.