

Dr. Ayman Al-Zawahiri: "In Support of the Messenger" (October 12, 2012)

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On October 12, 2012, Al-Qaida's As-Sahab Media released a new audio recording by top leader Shaykh Ayman al-Zawahiri, titled "In Support of the Messenger." In his message, he congratulated "those who raided the American embassy in Benghazi, and the ones who protested in front of the American embassy in Cairo and downed its American flag and raised instead the flag of Islam and jihad." He "invite[d] them to continue their confrontation with the American crusader-Zionist aggression on Islam and Muslims, and...the rest of Muslims to follow their lead." He asserted that "America, in the name of individual freedom and freedom of expression, has allowed the production of a film that is hostile to the kind messenger, prayer and peace upon him. But this individual freedom that the Americans boast about will not prohibit them from torturing the Muslim prisoners in Bagram, Abu Ghraib, Guantanamo and secret prisons."

"In the name of Allah and praise to Allah, and prayer and peace upon the messenger of Allah and upon his family, companions and allies."

"Muslim brothers everywhere: peace be upon you and Allah's mercy and blessings."

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"Greetings to the honorable free ones protecting Islam, and [greetings] upon those who raided the American embassy in Benghazi, and the ones who protested in front of the American embassy in Cairo and downed its American flag and raised instead the flag of Islam and jihad. And I invite them to continue their confrontation with the American crusader-Zionist aggression on Islam and Muslims, and I invite the rest of Muslims to follow their lead. This incident is not the first incident, but it represents a frequent habit the American soldiers practiced in Guantanamo and Bagram, Iraq and Afghanistan."

"America, with her laws, allows attacks on the kind messenger and the holy Qur'an, with claims of freedom of expression. It is the one that tries those who attack the Jews with the charge of anti-Semitism, and the one that tortured the Muslim prisoners, and the one that deported them to countries that tortured them, and the one that denied what it signed on in the Geneva agreements, and the one that exonerated the CIA interrogators who tortured the Muslims, and the one that supports Israel in all of its

crimes and seeks to Judaize Jerusalem, and the one whose president, Obama, prayed at the Wailing Wall, and who announced in his recent elections schedule that he supports Jerusalem being the capital of Israel in support of its efforts to Judaize Jerusalem."

"We do not want to trick ourselves; we are facing a Crusader-Zionist war led by America, and in facing this war and defending the Muslim Ummah, the Mujahideen have launched the blessed campaign on New York, Washington and Pennsylvania."

[Excerpt – UBL threat to America]

And so, we call upon every [one who is] honorable [and] free, and who [is] protective of Islam and its messenger, prayer and peace upon him, to confront the Crusader-Zionist alliance and attacked our religion and prophet, lands, honors and resources."

"There must confrontation to this alliance with the hands, tongue, words and deeds. America and Israel must know that the Muslim Ummah has awakened, and its Mujahid vanguards will not be silent before their crimes."

"My Muslim Ummah: the Crusader-Zionist alliance does not know, understand or correspond with any language but power, and if we are not strong the aggression will continue on us, our religion, our messenger, our homelands and our resources."

[Excerpt – UBL quotes]

"We must be strong; in fighting, in politics, in thoughts, in advocacy and in statement."

"We must confront America and Israel and the West who attack us, and support those who confront them, and at the same time we must differentiate between the Christians that attacked us and our prophet, prayer and peace upon him, and the Christians who make peace with us and do not attack us."

"Our Muslim Ummah, your Mujahideen sons make a pact with Allah, raised and glorified, to confront this Crusader-Zionist campaign on the homelands of Islam and Muslims, and on their sanctities, honors, homelands and resources, until your chests are healed due to their humiliation, fighting and theft."

"O protective sons of Islam in every corner of this world, support the messenger of Allah, Allah will support you [in return] and punish those who insulted them or aided in insulting him."

[Verse]

"And our last prayer is praise Allah Lord of the Worlds and prayer and peace upon our master Muhammad and upon his family and companions, and peace be upon you and Allah's mercy and blessings."

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