

## **Al-Fajr Media Center Releases New Statement Supporting Palestine, Threatening Britain, by Abu Yahya al-Libi**

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Terrorism: Al-Fajr Media Center Releases New Statement Supporting Palestine, Threatening Britain, by AbuYahya al-Libi On 22January, a forum member posted to a jihadist forum links to a 31-minute31-second video by Abu-Yahya al-Libi, entitled "Palestine: The Battle is Getting Fierce Now." Al-Libi addresses the Israeli offensive in Gaza and urges Muslims throughout the world to support Palestinians and strike Israeli interests. Arab governments, democracy, and peace initiatives are dismissed and jihad is promoted as the only solution to Muslim strife. Near the end of the video, Al-Libi threatens Great Britain, identifying it as the primary cause of Palestinian suffering. The video is produced by Al-Sahab Media Production.

A translation of the statement follows:

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"Muharram 1430

(Recited Koran:)"Ye shall certainly be tried and tested in your possessions and in your personal selves; and ye shall certainly hear much that will grieve you, from those who received the book before you and from those who worship many gods. But if ye persevere patiently, and guard against evil, then that will be a determining factor in all affairs.' (Koranic verse; Al-Imran; 3:186).

"Palestine: The Battle Is Getting Fierce Now

"Shaykh Abu-Yahya

"Muharram 1430

(Al-Libi:) "In the name of God, the Merciful, the Compassionate...

"Praise God, and peace and blessings be upon the messenger of God and his kin, companions, and followers.

"Oh Muslim Nation, may the peace, mercy, and blessings of God be upon you all.

"The world is witnessing today the filthy massacre and mass genocide carried out by the brothers of the monkeys and pigs, those shamed and insensitive beings, the target of the wrath of God. It is a massacre that they carry out against our Muslim brothers in Gaza. Let these events act as an eye-opening reminder for those who have buried their feet in the earth, those that call for peace, those that drift within the falsities of peace, and those that call for the establishment of a Palestinian State that can live in peace and security, side by side, with the nation of puss and putrescence, the nation of Jewish corruption and crime. This great catastrophe, this enormous calamity, surely reminds us of the truth of the matter: that no Muslim, under any circumstances, or as part of any situation, can ignore or walk away from. It is

the fact that faith and disbelief, justice and injustice, cannot exist in a place without one trumping the other.

"This will also show us that the face of disbelief and its campaign against Islam, its aggression against its people, and its campaign to eradicate them, all originates from one group of people. Their hearts are gushing with spite and animosity, even if they claim otherwise. 'If they were to get the better of you, they would behave to you as enemies, and stretch forth their hands and their tongues against you for evil; and they desire that ye should reject the truth' (Koranic verse; Al-Mumtahinah; 60:2). If a small group of those pigs and dogs was exposed to a minute amount of what our Muslim brothers are facing in Gaza, the disbelieving institutions of the West would have risen up along with human and animal rights organizations together, and the voices crying out for justice to be carried out against the perpetrators of this crime would have become loud. Only then, will the justice, mercy, clemency, and strong condemnation of the West for the atrocities that these groups are facing will become prevalent.

"As for Gaza, the victims were the Muslim people, who according to the ethics and values of the West, do not even deserve the paper bearing a nonbinding resolution from their criminal Security Council. This clearly shows us that this conspiracy against those weak ones was devised in the darkness of night. Its threads were woven by the filthy hands of the people of disbelief, the apostate traitorous tyrants, and the US: the mother of all wickedness. As for the criminal Jews, they are nothing more than the executors of its tenets. Know that all the people of this devilish alliance are all equal partners in this devastating massacre. They must also be partners in paying its price, and they will taste its bitterness. This is the stance of the nations of disbelief and their agents. Those that only a few take seriously, call for their support, or wait for them to lift their anguish. So what will you Muslims do in support of your brothers in distress within the confines of the well-fortified prison of Gaza?

"The prophet (peace and prayers be upon him) said: 'Support your brother whether he is the oppressed or the oppressor (Related by Ibn Rajab in Jami Al-Ulum Wal Hukum;p.333). So a man said: O prophet of God, I will support him if he is oppressed. But, how do I support him when he is the oppressor? The prophet said: Support him by preventing him from oppressing' (Narrated by Anas).

"What is taking place in Gaza is another Muslim massacre, which every Muslim must take an honest stance on. This issue is much greater than just targeting the Islamic movement HAMAS or ceasing the rocket-fire on the Jewish criminals. It is a vigorous pursuit to eradicate and uproot everything that is in the least bit related to the religion of God Almighty. (It is)the genocide of these Muslim people, who are still patient, steadfast, and defiant in the face of this criminal force which desires to humiliate it and bring it to its knees. From here, we will (discuss) our stances on these events not only to participate, but to support our brothers and to fulfill our duties (to them).

"The first stance: Despite the certainty of the events, the depths of the wounds, and the horrific scenes, I do not think we are in need of passionate speeches or resounding words that ignite feelings, which then get extinguished and fade away because of the length of the events and (people becoming) accustomed to them. Muslims have listened to many (words and speeches) on the (Palestinian issue), which have deafened their ears and exhausted them. The Palestinian issue is the issue that nationalists have (exploited) until they exhausted it. Communist have become involved by deepening its wounds, and the evil apostates have pillaged it until they tore it apart. The statements of condemnation, denunciation, and admonition have burdened their institutions. Despite that, Palestine still remains occupied, pillaged, and ravaged. So, we today,

in the face of these and other events, are in dire need of an honest and tough stance, as well as a serious and impartial consideration (of the issue) in order to resist the perpetrators. (We need) to dive into the depths of the problem in order to come up with a useful and effective medicine that will uproot and eradicate this disease from its origins. This medicine will not only treat its symptoms that come at us every time in a new form. If we do not treat it at its very root with clear and pure Shari'ah, our brothers in the Land of the Outpost, Palestine, will remain a constant realm of experiment for Jewish and American weapons, and a spacious place for the electoral rivalries of this state or that.

"The second stance: The stance, in the face of this Jewish criminality, or rather worldwide criminality, must go down one of two paths. The first is one of resistance through patience and determination, entering this battle with determination and willpower, and striking the Jews and the countries that support and sustain them with everything possible. Particularly, their economic organizations, political institutions, and military barracks. This is a duty that our brothers in Palestine should be diligent with, along with their mujahidin supporters across the world. The second path: It is imperative for anyone who wants the situation to return to normal and confront the situation to do so without mumbling or being shy, for the Palestinian issue is purely an Islamic issue that must be weighed and considered by the laws of Shari'ah and fought for under its banner. There is no room in this battle for Arab nationalism, national affinity, or international legitimacy with all its organizations, associations, and resolutions. The issue must be purified completely and realistically from all these pollutants so it can stand on a firm foundation and on a strong base which cannot be altered by the fraud or tampering of the frivolous. Raising the banner of Islam for the liberation of Palestine must not be just a slogan we utilize to ignite Muslim feelings whenever the battle gets fierce and war is raged. This should be the principal: that we must not surrender or stray from the right path, even if we all vanish, and without exception. It is easier for us than giving up one of our Islamic fundamentals, which our case is established upon. Hence, the doctrine of reconciliation and fabrication: what is dictated to us by God's Shari'ah in this case, and what is demanded from us by the apostate international law, only means one thing: that all the effort is in vain. We neither pleased God and got the reward, nor retrieved our land and became liberated.

"The third stance: Many will think by stripping the case in this manner and with such clarity we will pay a heavy penalty. They think we will offend the nations to unite against us. That we will stir up organizations against us and block all our doors. We do not have power over this, but we say to the wise and noble people: Is there a penalty that is heavier and greater than what we pay and what Muslims are paying in Palestine? What has remained that could be maintained or be scared for? The floods of blood do not stop, body parts accumulate, the prisons of the Jews are overcrowded, the destruction of homes, uprooting trees and bulldozing of land is ongoing, and the blockade is implemented and fatal. What may come in (through the blockade) is through harm and favor. The situation in Palestine is as the poet said: 'I am the drowning one, why would I be scared of getting wet?'

"In the midst of our jihad journey, we should not forget that we are dealing with God, the Powerful, the Mighty, the Honorable, the Lord of the believers, the best to protect and the best to help. Almighty God has promised to support His believing worshippers. If they support Him, who is more truthful in his promise than God? He is capable of destroying all the apostates, along with their weapons, equipment, soldiers and states. 'Do they not travel through the earth and see what was the end of those before them? They were even superior to them in strength, and in the traces they have left in the land, but Allah did call them to account for their sins, and none had they to defend them against Allah' (Koranic verse; Ghafir, 40:21). ' Thus are ye commanded. But if it had been Allah's will, He could certainly have exacted retribution from

them Himself; but He lets you fight in order to test you, some with others' (Koranic verse; Muhammad47:4). The way to victory over the enemies and to be rid of their tyranny and hegemony is by resorting to God, adhering to His Shari'ah, and to remain steadfast on his guidance to achieve the honor of His support for us. Almighty God said: 'Verily Allah will defend from ill those who believe. Verily, Allah loveth not any that is a traitor to faith, or show ingratitude' (Koranic verse; Hajj 22:38). If we turn to others and our hearts become infatuated by others, He will abandon us. We appoint those who we accept as our supporters. God said: 'If Allah helps you, none can overcome you. If He forsakes you, who is there, after that, that can help you? In Allah, then, let believers put their trust' (Koranic verse; Al-Imran 3:160). Almighty God said: 'Assuredly, Allah did help you in many battle-fields and on the day of Hunain. Behold! your great numbers elated you, but they availed you naught. The land, for all that it is wide, did constrain you, and ye turned back in retreat' (Koranic verse; Al-Tawbah 9:25).

"Beware, beware, God won't disappoint us, and if this happened, it would be a loss for all to see. We should put in our hearts and in front of us the saying of the beloved prophet (prayers and peace be upon him): ' Be mindful of Allah and you will find Him in front of you. If you ask, ask only Allah, and if you seek help, seek help only from Allah. And know that if all the nations were to gather together to benefit you, they would benefit you only with something that Allah had already prescribed for you, and if they gather together to harm you, they would harm you only with something that Allah had already prescribed for you. The pens have been lifted and the pages are dry.' (Hadith) So behold the battlefields where the mujahidin have raised the banners of honor: these pure and immaculate banners that are remote from crude pre-Islamic ignorance with all its types and kinds. The Commander of the Faithful, Mullah Umar (may God protect him and take care of him) has been a wonderful example to the nation through his dependence on God, his trust in Him and his confidence in His promise. Then, all the powers of disbelief, with the guardian of Israel America at the head, aimed their darts at him. They at times made him great offers and invitations, but he kicked them away. Delegations from everywhere visited him, made him promises and vows and then threatened and menaced him. But he always stood firm in faith and remained respectful as a believer, to the extent that he reminded one of Khalilal-Rahman (peace be upon him) whose people disputed with him. He said: 'Come ye to dispute with me about Allah when He Himself hath guided me? I fear not the beings ye associate with Allah. Unless my Lord willeth, nothing can happen. My Lord comprehendeth in His knowledge all things. Will ye not yourselves be admonished?' (Koranic verse Al-An'am; 6:80). A few years later the boastful disbelievers went back rushing to him, and asked him for reconciliation. 'Truly, in this, is a message of remembrance to men of understanding.' (Koranic verse Zumar; 39:21).

"In Iraq, the guardians of the Cross and the caretakers of the mini-state of the Jews, along with the coalition that accompanied them, were pushed, incited, and sided by Satan. No sooner did their feet touch the ground and the miserable Baathist state was removed, did they encounter their greatest surprise. For all of a sudden, the soldiers of Islam, protectors of the faith and lovers of martyrdom, appeared from where they did not expect. Their condition became equal to those who God described as the deluded people and their ancestors. God Almighty said: 'Remember Satan made their (sinful) acts seem alluring to them, and said: No one among men can overcome you this day, while I am near to you. But when the two forces came in sight of each other, he turned on his heels, and said: Lo! I am clear of you. Lo! I see what ye see not. Lo! I fear Allah. For Allah is strict in punishment' (Koranic verse Al-Anfal; 8:48). Iraq then became a curse that followed the mother of all malignancy, America, and its politicians forever. Its awe disappeared, its dignity became vague, the significance of its soldiers vanished, and its economy melted. And there it is today, kneeling, imploring the world, and begging at international circles. Perhaps it may find an offering that may keep it alive. But this is in vain, for senility has

overcome its collapsing body. As for Somalia, no sooner did the swarm of Ethiopians put their feet on its burning ground did the people of will, righteousness, and faith, depend on God and renounce the profanity of homeland, nationalism, and international legality with a motto that declared: 'The Governor is God, who revealed the book. He is the One who governs the righteous. So God took charge of them and guarded them with His care, to the extent that the rotten bodies of the Ethiopians were dragged on the streets of Mogadishu, and their belongings too. There they are, after two years, declaring to the whole world that they are withdrawing in humiliation and servility, not attending to orders of their masters or lords.

"So, our brothers...You the mujahidin in Palestine: this is the law of God and this is the reality. These are the main foundations of the path. You have sampled all the banners and dashed in all directions and pursued all known means. Nonetheless, Muslims are still enduring calamity after calamity. Let these bitter events be momentous lesson through which the fine people will be distinguished from the scum. The people of resolve will be separated from the people of illusions. Break away from the uneducated banners, pagan calls, low fabrications, and deviated routes. Let their fight be carried for the sake of God, and with God, call out in the way of your pious predecessors in the raging battle on the day of Hunain. Oh brown people, Oh people of Surat al-Baqara, you will see that God will grant you victory, care, and protection that you would not even anticipate. He said: 'But if ye are constant and do right, not the least harm will their cunning do to you, for Allah compasseth round about all that they do' (Koranic verse; Al-Imran 3:120).

"The fourth stance: Dealing with the Palestinian issue from this angle will put every person involved in the position he deserves. The first to be exposed, whose treason will be revealed (although it was evident at the outset), and whose falseness will be uncovered, are the Arab tyrants who would not even waste their crocodile tears on it. Those betraying apostates, with the Egyptian pharaoh at the head, are the source of the calamity, the base of the ailment, the label of misfortune, and the head of tragedy. He who regards them as brothers who uphold the Palestinian cause or rely on them to participate in resolving its crisis, or expect help from them to extract it from its predicament, will deceive himself, his religion, and his nation. The believer does not get bitten twice, so what is the matter with us? Our hands are cut. They are torn because of their stabbings, and treasons, yet we still insist and hurry to extend our hands to them. We heard that Israel will be thrown into sea. Muslims awaited the crashing of waves after this event, but they were surprised with disasters and setbacks. Days became shameful memories. Their unique heroism and conquests were nullified by what they called the peace of the brave. Their ignominy, lowness, treason, and impudence became good sense, wisdom, and justice. Here is their frivolous wiseman coming up with an Arab peace initiative to which the near and the far applauded, for they regarded it as the best of what their genius and the bravery could come up with. This is a part their series of humiliations, which they no longer feel ashamed of. They even criminalize those who oppose them or show enmity towards them. What good is to be expected from those humiliated Pharaohs? What victory is to be anticipated from their efforts and endeavors? What benefit will the Muslims in Palestine gain from their meetings and gatherings? Will the offspring of treason, the Jordanian tyrant, who was nursed with duplicity and submissiveness, be a partner in lifting the sufferings of the Muslim people in Palestine? Him: the loyal, trustworthy guardian of his protectors the Jews, whose soldiers and intelligence are kept awake in their defense and to punish those who he means to harm? Will the hearts of Egyptian Pharaoh and his henchman Umar Sulaiman be compassionate? Will their intentions be sincere in bringing this people out of their massive prison? Whose borders are wrought by reinforced walls? And who mobilize their soldiers to bully the oppressed to bomb the tunnels which are these victims' last hope? Will the salvation of Muslims come at the hands of

the imbecile of the Arabian Peninsula who turned his inter-faith dialogue into an transparent move to achieve his 'Arab initiative for peace?'

"From here, we have to know that our enemies will not accept our standing in the middle of the road- no matter how much we claim to be close to them, understand their policies, and respect their opinions and their organizations. Despite all this, they will not accept anything except that we follow their religion and join their ranks. God the Exalted informed us: 'Never will the Jews or Christians be satisfied with thee unless thou follow their form of religion'(Koranic verse; Al-Baqarrah 2:120). The Great and Almighty also says: 'Nor will they cease fighting you until they turn you back from your faith if they can'(Koranic verse; Al-Baqarrah 2:217). We know that our Muslim brothers in Palestine do not lack patience, for they are the school and university of it. They are in no need sacrifices, for their exceptional heroism is their witness, and the adventures of their men have amazed all near and far. They are in real need for leadership that is serious, truthful, mature, and impartial, and which raises the banner of truth and jihad with purity and immaculacy, where the slogan and content match, and the words and actions. The zealotry and wisdom are far from the dark misleading labyrinth of politics and the disgraceful agreements of betrayal. Oh heroic mujahidin brothers in the Land of the Outpost (Palestine), today the entire Islamic nation is watching you, anticipating your sacrifices, and waiting for your operations which will pound the fortresses of the Jews and depose their sons and women. Pull up the sleeves of graveness and establish yourselves to wage the battle of destiny by being patient against this distress. Remain steadfast on the path of righteousness. Protect the fruit of your efforts and sacrifices. 'Pray for help from Allah, and (wait) in patience and constancy, for the earth is Allah's, to give as a heritage to such of His servants as He pleaseth. And the end is(best) for the righteous' (Koranic verse; Al-A'raf 7:128). Do not let the boasts, vanity or conceit of your enemy cause you fear, because they will soon become regretful. This decisive battle which they started will become a curse upon them, break their heats, and become a disgrace to their soldiers and countries. You only need to give your sincere intentions to God and put your trust in Him. 'And if any one puts his trust in Allah, sufficient is (Allah) for him. For Allah will surely accomplish his purpose. Verily, for all things has Allah appointed a due proportion' (Koranic verse; Al-Talaq 65:3).

"The fifth stance: This is for you, oh Muslims in the East and West of the land. The truth that you must be aware of and be certain of is that the waterfalls of your blood, your flying body parts, your successive ordeals, and the violation of your homes (throughout the entire world and not only in Palestine), will never cease as long as the leash of matter remains in the hands of the non-believers of the West and the arrogant America. Nothing will extract you from the fires of the ordeal and from successive disasters except for (first and foremost) trust in God, and then, conducting jihad for the sake of God with the seriousness, determination, sacrifice, power, ferocity, adventure, and risks that are fit for whoever carries a creed which tells him: 'And there is the type of man who gives his life to earn the pleasure of Allah. And Allah is full of kindness to(His) devotees' (Koranic verse; Al-Baqarrah 2:207). He repeats with this the words of his Lord and his Guardian: 'Say: Can you expect for us (any fate) other than one of two glorious things (Martyrdom or victory)? But we can expect for you either that Allah will send his punishment from Himself, or by our hands. So wait (expectant), we too will wait with you' (Koranic verse; Al-Tawbah 9:52). He knows while fighting in this war that he has taken a winning deal that contains no cheapness or loss. 'Allah hath purchased of the believers their persons and their goods; for theirs (in return) is the garden (of Paradise). They fight in His cause, and slay and are slain: a promise binding on Him in truth, through the Law, the Gospel, and the Qur'an. And who is more faithful to his covenant than Allah? Then, rejoice in the bargain which ye have concluded: that is the achievement supreme' (Koranic Verse; At-Tawbah9:111).

"The situation should be easier and beneficial (to you, your nation, and your brothers who have been inflicted with calamity in the besieged Gaza) than the massive demonstrations in the streets of cities where shouts and demands rose. The Islamic nation is known for unique sacrifices, extraordinary courage, and support of the oppressed. However, it has been unable to provide us with extraordinary heroes in order to revive what the lions of the Mumbai attack implemented with their pure blood. (The situation) should be easy for anyone who has a strong will and trust in God, and carries out an attack while saying in the bottom of his heart: I do not fear the enemy. I will return to God. I do not pay attention to where I die when I am killed as a Muslim. That is up to God who, with His will, blesses my limbs that are ripped apart. Oh you mujahidin everywhere, revolt like an outraged lion! Rise in arms like the people who have passion and zeal for the religion and honor! In the same way of punishment, make every possible effort to make the capitals of the polytheist West, the criminal, America, and the tyrant agents, taste what our oppressed brothers and people have tasted in Palestine! Britain, which handed Palestine over to the Jews, settled them in its territories, and established their state in it, through its disasters promise, is the cause of children being killed on the Palestinian soil, women forced to become widows, bloodshed, torn corpses, destroyed homes, and calamities. Britain and its European allies should not be safe while our people are horrified; or enjoy life while our brothers are miserable. Their countries should not undergo development while our homes are destroyed. Their citizens should not be stable while our people are homeless. We are not among those who are deceived by the politics of courtesies and the statements of manipulations. The wolf remains the same even if he disguises himself as female sheep. Make them taste the bitterness of war, the tragedies of homelessness, and the difficulty of horror! 'The holy month for the holy month, and so for all things holy, there is the law of equality. If then any one transgresses the prohibition against you, transgress ye likewise against him. But fear Allah, and know that Allah is with those who restrain themselves' (Koranic Verse; Al-Baqara 2:194). Time has come for this criminal state, I mean Britain, to pay the price for its historical crime, which we will never forget. 'And wait ye! We too shall wait' (Koranic Verse; Hud 11:122)/

"Our last prayer is praise be to God, Lord of all mankind! "

(Closing text): "Where are the brigades of Muhammad Ibn Maslamah (with whom God is pleased) so that they might support the prophet of God (prayers and peace be upon him).

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