

## **Al-Sahab Releases Ayman Al-Zawahiri Audio Statement on US Presidential Visit June 2, 2009**

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Terrorism: Al-Sahab Releases Ayman Al-Zawahiri Audio Statement on US Presidential Visit On 2 June, "Murasil al-Fajr" posted a message to the Islamic Al-Fallujah Forums website containing an official release by the Al-Sahab Establishment for Media of an 11-minute 40-second audio statement by Ayman al-Zawahiri. The statement is titled "The Floggers of Egypt and the Agents of America Welcome Obama."

The Islamic Al-Fallujah Forums website, formerly known as Al-Fallujah Islamic Minbar, at [www.al-faloja.info/vb](http://www.al-faloja.info/vb) is a jihadist forum containing discussions and statements in support of the insurgency in Iraq and global jihad in general.

A translation of the statement follows:

"In the name of God...Peace and blessings be upon the messenger of God, and upon his kin, companions, and followers. To my Muslim brothers everywhere: May the peace, mercy, and blessings of God be upon you all.

"Barack Obama has decided to visit Egypt on the fourth of June. He is not welcome in Egypt. He is not to be greeted or saluted. He is not welcome in the Egypt of Amr Bin-al-'As; the Egypt of conquest; the Egypt of Salah-al-Din; Egypt the conqueror of the Crusaders; Egypt the land of Bin Abd-al-Salam, Qutuz, and Baybars. He is not welcome in the Egypt of Al-Azhar: the Egypt of knowledge, jihad, and battle. He is not welcome in the Egypt of Hasan al-Banna, Muhammad Farghali, Abd-al-Qadir Udah, Sayyid Qutub, Abd-al-Hamid Kishk, Umar Abd-al-Rahman, Muhammad Abd-al-Salam, Khalid Islambulli, Atta Tayil, Husayn Abbas, Abd-al-Hamid Abd-al-Salam, Isam al-Qamari, Abu-Ubaydah al-Banshiri, Commander Abu-Hifs, and Muhammad Atta. In light of his arrival, I will refer to the poem by Ahmad Muharram (God rest his soul) in receiving the Semitic British representative, with some minor alterations:

(Poem)

"Will Egypt ask: What has the president brought forth? Do those aggressors have anything new for her? It is rather, the same old arrow that these exalted people have seen before. To the leaders of the transgressors, you have come to a land where the transgressors perish and the land itself remains. The Almighty, the One, the Vanquisher, shall protect his land, so who will stand by you when your soldiers are vanquished? It is us who will protect the honor of Egypt if those in power have already surrendered. O brother of the marines, were you told that we will be the minions of your people, or their slaves? They have lied to you, for there is no one among us who accepts this land to be shackled. If delegations seek you out, you must be weary of what they have to say to you. Egypt belongs to no one, and the people do not know fear. Nor will they remain tranquil. The era of shackles is at an end, and in this age, such bondage will be disparaged. Either we protect our homes, or seek ours death and graves. Will there be a group of people in Egypt that hears my words and acts as the vigorous burning flame? Will there be a group of people in Egypt that hears my words and acts as the vigorous burning flame? Will there be a group of people in Egypt that hears my words and act as the vigorous burning flame?  
(End poem)

"The White House announced that Obama will, from Egypt, send a message to the Muslim world. However, they forgot that his messages have already arrived.

(Video shows footage from President Obama's visit to Jerusalem. Al-Zawahiri continues speaking over the footage.)

"His message to the Muslim world arrived when he visited the Wailing Wall, placed a Jewish yarmulke on his head, and performed their prayers...He who claims to be Christian.

(Video ends)

"His message to the Muslim world arrived when he gave his speech to the Zionist lobby, AIPAC, where he vowed to keep Jerusalem as the eternal and unified capital of Israel. He also promised complete support for Israel and the Jewish nature of Israel.

(Footage of President Obama addressing AIPAC, voice of Arab interpreter:)

"Any agreement with the Palestinian people must preserve Israel's identity as a Jewish state, with safe, recognized, and defensible borders. Jerusalem will remain the capital of Israel, and it must remain undivided.'

(Footage from another speech, voice of Arab interpreter:)

"Our alliance is based on common interests and common values. Those who threaten Israel, threaten us. Israel has faced these threats at the front lines. I will bring to the White House unflinching support for the protection of Israeli security.'

(End of President Obama footage, voice and still image of Al-Zawahiri resumes.)

"His message to Muslims arrived when he agreed and condoned the Zionist aggression on Gaza. His message arrived when he warned and threatened to send more soldiers to Afghanistan and to further bombard the tribal areas of Pakistan. His message arrived when he managed the bloody campaign against Muslims in Swat. His message has arrived to the Muslims in the secret and public prisons, which his administration oversees. They are even expanding the current prisons, like Bagram Prison in Afghanistan, to receive more Muslim victims. His message to Muslims arrived when he continued to refuse to apply the Geneva Convention on Muslim prisoners in the Crusader war against Islam, which they call a war against terrorism. His message to Muslims arrived when he refused to send a delegation from his country to attend the anti-racism conference in Geneva in order to protect the feelings of Israel. His message to Muslims arrived when he threatened to intervene in Pakistan to protect its nuclear weapons, meaning that he considers these weapons US property and under its control, and that it must preserve them. His message to Muslims arrived through the canons of the massive US military, which occupies the Arabian Peninsula, Afghanistan, and Iraq. His bloody messages arrived and continue to arrive to Muslims, and will not be blocked by public relations campaigns, theatrical visits, or fancy words.

"These were the messages that arrived to Egypt before his arrival. Regarding his choice of Turkey and Egypt to address the Muslim world, as alleged, it carries another clear message that the Muslims who the Crusaders Americans are satisfied with, are those who leave Islam and embrace secularism. They are those who recognize Israel, come to security agreements with

them, participate in military maneuvers with them, and join NATO to fight under the banner of the Crusaders in Afghanistan.

"It is a message to the Muslim nation that America stands clearly and without shame with the floggers and the criminal agents who besiege the Palestinians, torturing and chasing them...They who have transformed their country into a huge prison and transfer power to their children by compulsion and forgery in order to continue corruption, plunder, subjugation, and agency to America and the Crusader Jews. It is a clear that America does not support reform and change, and all the false words of American propaganda. It stands, rather, with the continuation of rotting authoritarian regimes, and endorses and supports them. They export to them the organs of torture, detection, and detonation of tunnels over the heads of our vulnerable family in Palestine. This the real message of Obama, which is received by Muslims, regardless of the quackery, lies, and meaningless propaganda. When Obama comes to Egypt, he will be received by his slaves who benefit from his aid and bribes, but the free Egyptian will reject him, his policies, and his crimes. Ahmad Muharam (may God have mercy upon him) said: 'The strongest enemies among the sons of the nation are those who now see the occupier as their enemies. Are they selling their country, similar to the mujahid who defends it?' (Poem)

"Once Obama arrives in Egypt, he will be received by the floggers, thieves, and corrupters: those who made Egypt a location for international torture in the American war against Islam. He will be received by those who besieged and are besieging Gaza. He will be received by the angels of punishment, the forgers of elections, spreaders of vice, and the cowards of Egypt, who handed over Wafa Constantine and her sisters to the monastery prisons to be tortured or killed, in fear of the wrath of America, and to flatter them. America, whose Ministry of Foreign Affairs issues an annual report on religious freedoms in the world...But they pressed the Egyptian Government to hand over Wafa Constantine and her sisters. They overlooked hypocrisy in apparent complicity. It is those corrupt ones who will welcome Obama.

"Only the corrupt individuals will welcome Obama. As for the noble, pure and righteous men of Egypt, they will despise him in the name of God, and consider him an international criminal and an opportunistic politician who serves the Zionist plan of ascension to the hierarchy of leadership. The butchers and criminals of Egypt will celebrate Obama. They will rush to present him with gifts robbed from the wealth, sweat, and the blood of the oppressed. I suggest to them something better than this: to present to him with what Ahmad Shawqi (God bless his soul) suggested to those who wanted to honor Fathi Zaghlul, the criminal Judge of the Dinshwai Court. I will borrow his words, with a slight change:

"If you were to summon your resolve and had the determination to present something valuable to the president, then take to him the noose of a hanged man, the trousers of a whipped (man), and the shackles of a prisoner. Do not suffice with reciting to him my poem, which I have written with my right hand, nor are you to read it in celebration. Rather, read it for Gaza on the day of farewell to everyone who has been buried.' (Poem)

"Our people in Egypt: Be the supporters of God and his messenger (peace and blessings be upon him). Do not be among those who befriend the enemy of God, his religion, and his supporters. God, the Exalted, the Almighty, says: 'Thou wilt not find any people who believe in Allah and the Last Day, loving those who resist Allah and His messenger, even though they were their fathers or their sons, or their brothers, or their kindred. For such He has written faith in their hearts and strengthened them with a spirit from Himself. And He will admit them to gardens beneath which rivers flow, to dwell therein (forever). Allah will be well pleased with them, and they with

Him. They are the Party of Allah. Truly it is the Party of Allah that will achieve felicity' (Koranic verse, Al-Mujadilah, 58:22).

"O free, noble, righteous, and mujahidin (people) of Egypt, stand as one in the face of that criminal, who came to obtain, with cunning, what he failed to attain in the field after the mujahidin foiled the American Crusader plans in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Somalia. Shakib Arsalan (God bless his soul) said:

"Look at the proud Egypt, like the threads of a rope all tied together.

"Never will the free (people) of Egypt be slaves, despite powerful oppression and tyranny.

"No matter how much the victorious are powerful with their soldiers, justice has more power and soldiers.

"The time has come, when the people do not carry chains and shackles'.

"Our final supplication is to praise God, Lord of all creation, and peace and blessings upon our master Muhammad, and upon his family and companions.

"May the peace, mercy, and blessings of God be upon you all.'