## Al-Furqan Releases Audio of Speech by Islamic State of Iraq's Minister of War April 21, 2009

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On 20 April, a forum member posted to a jihadist website an item entitled "The Second Audio Interview With Shaykh Abu Hamzah Al-Muhajir, May God Protect Him" which contained several links to different quality versions of a 39-minute and 43-second audio speech by Abu Hamzah Al-Muhajir, the minister of war of the Islamic State of Iraq, in which he answers questions posed to him previously. The questions cover a range of topics including the occupation of Iraq, the situation of the armed groups in Iraq, the Awakening Councils, the necessity of acquiring non-traditional weapons, and others. The audio was released by the Al-Furqan Media Production Establishment, the media arm of the Islamic State of Iraq's Ministry of Information, and is signed by the Al-Fajr Media Center. This audio statement was originally found on the Al-Fallujah Islamic Network, however it was subsequently made inaccessible by the administrators of the forum.

A translation of the audio follows:

"In the name of God, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

"'And why should ye not fight in the cause of Allah and of those who, being weak, are ill-treated (and oppressed)?- Men, women, and children, whose cry is: 'Our Lord! Rescue us from this town, whose people are oppressors; and raise for us from thee one who will protect; and raise for us from thee one who will help!' Those who believe fight in the cause of Allah, and those who reject Faith Fight in the cause of Evil: So fight ye against the friends of Satan: feeble indeed is the cunning of Satan' (Koranic verse; Al-Nisa; 4:75-76).

"(Interviewer) It is the pleasure of the Al-Furqan Establishment to present to you the second audio interview with Shaykh Abu-Hamza al-Muhajir, may God protect him.

"We begin by thanking you, gracious shaykh, for allowing us to present the most important questions that we have received and direct them to you.

"We begin with the first question. These days, we are experiencing the pain of the memory of the fall of Baghdad and the occupation of Iraq, so we ask, would you like to address this event? "(Al-Muhajir) Praise be to God, Lord of all creation, the One without equal, the One above tyranny, the Everlasting, the One Who hears all pleas, the One Who renders every calamity. Peace and blessings be upon the one sent with the clear evidence and absolute proof as a warning and a reason to rejoice, and through the will of God, a caller to the path of God and a beacon of light.

"Iraq is a Muslim state where the blood of the companions was spilled to raise the banner of monotheism atop its land. Its conquest signaled the beginning of the end to the Persian Magi Empire. America was driven to establish a large Crusader Alliance by the misguided notions of crusader and Jewish ideologies. They seek to realize the great dream of Israel, from the Nile to the Euphrates. To this, the men of Islam and the youth of the (Islamic) nation rose up to protect the faith. They believe that with their hands, God will conquer their enemies as their ancestors, the companions, conquered theirs. They were granted what they sought. The cross has declared defeat and its loss of the battle and instead of confrontation, they resorted to devilish schemes. Every time a line is severed, the devil springs another. In a vile and despicable deal, along with the Magi of Iran, Iraq was once again handed over to them.

"The Jews have realized that the most spiteful people toward the Sunnis are the Magi rejectionists, who are also their best ally against Islam and its people. 'Remember how the Unbelievers plotted against thee, to keep thee in bonds, or slay thee, or get thee out (of thy home). They plot and plan, and Allah too plans; but the best of planners is Allah' (Koranic verse; al-Anfal; 8:30).

"On this occasion, we say to the Magi rejectionists and their allies in the Islamic Party and the Awakening (Councils), the deserters of jihad: Baghdad will not be ruled by the Magi rejectionists as long as blood flows through our veins. By God Almighty, we will never rest nor will we come to a final resolution until we force the criminal (Nuri) Al-Maliki, his soldiers, his followers, and his Shiites, to taste from the same cup that the fallen Abd-al-Zahra Husayn, Baqir Hakim, and Sattar al-Rishawi tasted.

"We will chase down the worshipers of the cross, the Americans and their agents, until we have cleansed all the land from their evil. God willing, their plots will not work against us nor will their fortifications stop us and we fully believe in absolute victory for the religion and its soldiers.

"(Interviewer) Would you like to say something to the mujahidin in the Islamic State in light of this painful occasion?

"(Al-Muhajir) I say, oh mujahid, rejoice, for you are along the straight path since you are a Sunni Muslim. God has guided you and honored you with this faith. You are on the straight path since you are monotheist. People have become polytheists but you did not. People have taken other gods while you accepted God as your lord. People work for the sake of man but you work for the sake of the God of man. You knew the day the people were unaware. You were guided the day people were misguided. You are truly smart and intelligent. People conspired against you but you sought out the lord of all people. Calamities, strife, and hardships only worked to strengthen your belief in the promise of God and the assurance of victory from God. You were on the side of justice. You are truly a great example to the great ancestors, to those like when 'Men said to them: 'A great army is gathering against you': And frightened them: But it (only) increased their Faith: They said: 'For us Allah sufficeth, and He is the best disposer of affairs" (Koranic verse; Al Imran; 3:173).

"Oh mujahid, you are on the straight path since you only accepted the pinnacle of good deeds and have adorned yourself with the most noble and lofty action: jihad for the sake of God. You are the trustworthy guardian of this faith. Through you, people have converted to the religion of God en mass. Through you, God has prevented people from abandoning the religion of God en mass. You are the sword of God, the one with whom he strikes his enemies. You are the wrath of God, the one that he used in order to take revenge against the people. It should suffice that you bear the honor of offering yourself to protect the religion and honor, may God protect you. By God, I wish I could protect you with my eyelids and protect you with my ribs so that no harm can reach you, but my consolation is that you live honorably if you live, and if you die, you die as a martyr going to the Merciful God. God said: 'Think not of those who are slain in Allah's way as dead. Nay, they live, finding their sustenance in the presence of their Lord' (Koranic verse; Al-Imran, 3:169).

"Finally, oh mujahid, look at your enemy and you will know who you are. Your enemies are the follower of the cross, the servants of the Magi, and the worshipers of Al-Zahra (daughter of the prophet) and Husayn (grandson of the prophet). Your enemies are the priests of the rulers and

the worshipers of luxury, dinars and dirhams (money). Do you know who are you now? You are the monotheist Muslim; you are God's destiny to shake their thrones and cleanse the earth of their filth. They are trying to kill you to please the tyrant; seek to kill them to please God: 'Those who believe fight in the cause of Allah, and those who reject Faith Fight in the cause of Evil: So fight ye against the friends of Satan: feeble indeed is the cunning of Satan' (Koranic verse; Al-Nisa 4:76).

"(Interviewer) On this occasion will you say a word about the armed groups in Iraq? "(Al-Muhajir) My words are to those who think we are right and we are fighting so that God's words remain supreme; what are you waiting for while you saw how those who have no right gathered and formed parties and supported each other in everything? If our mistakes prevented you from seeking unity, we have never pretended to be infallible. Today and tomorrow we will admit that there are mistakes, and all the mistakes will not end, but by God we did not commit those mistakes intentionally and we are not pleased with them. If mistakes happen, we rush to fix them, and if we know who committed them, we will punish them.

"We promise if you come to us we will reform what we agree upon as an oversight according to God's Shari'ah. If we do not do this, you are not bound by any agreement. If what has prevented you from unity were the people's accusations of us or if you saw us as a target of every oppressive tyrant, this is exactly what Shari'ah ordered and made it a reason for you to support us and unite with us. The prophet, prayers and peace be upon him, said in the two Sahih (Sahih Muslim and Bukhari) 'Help your brother whether he is the oppressor or the oppressed' (Hadith). You know we are innocent and the hostility of all tyrants toward us is the secret of our strength, the subject of our pride, a sign of the sincerity of our banner, and the clarity of our creed.

"My second message is to those who are fighting for the liberation of the country under the banner of nationalism. I say, by God, is this what your prophet ordered you to do? As it was narrated in the two Sahih by Abu Musa al-Asha'ri, may God be pleased with him, he said that a man came to the prophet and asked: 'O Messenger of Allah, What kind of fighting is in the way of Allah? For some of us fight because of being enraged and angry and some for the sake of one's pride and haughtiness.' The prophet said: 'He who fights so that the word of Allah should be uppermost fights in the way of Allah' (Hadith).

"Al-Nawawi, Ibn Hajar, and others said: 'Zealousness is to fight for honor and to defend the clan.' Al-Hafiz said in Al-Fatah: 'It is possible to interpret the fighting for refuting harm and to fight by force to bring benefit. Oh people, are you fighting for other reasons than what the prophet, prayers and peace be upon him, warned about?' It should be the purpose of your pursuit and this is required by God's Shari'ah, as Al-Hafiz stated in Al-Fatah: 'Fighting is not for God's sake, except fighting so that God's word remains the supreme,' ended.

"The liberation of the country and others is within the same context and you have known the disadvantage of this kind of fighting. Today, most Arab rulers came after a fight that was waged under the banner of nationalism. How do you see the result? Is it not a loss in this world and the hereafter?

"My third message is to those who were raising the Salafi and Shari'ah arbitration banner before the devil enticed them to the intelligence rooms to sign agreements of humiliation, shame, and betrayal with the occupier and his supporters. We know that whenever we become lax with you, you kick us in the face, but advice is necessary and we will try to pull you toward what is right. By God, we only want paradise for you and others on the earth and in the sky; on earth by

obeying God and in the sky by winning the consent of God. This can only be accomplished by sincerely repenting to God after the recognition of guilt. I warn you against justifying wrong by false illusions. As you know, we did not raise a weapon in your face until you cooperated with the occupier and allied with the devil. We have exercised self-restraint and we did not want you to engage us from our goal of fighting the occupiers and his allies until it became clear to us beyond any doubt and to every faithful in this country that you have become the most important allies of the occupier and have become their eyes. Your allies have confessed to your agency and they have issued statements in that regard. Is it not about time that you come back to your senses? The infidels have turned their back on you and we welcome you. We will graciously receive you after you have met the requirements for repentance.

"To the minority who still remain doubtful of the actions of some of the groups who work for the occupier, fighting the mujahidin, side by side with the cross and the Magi army, we welcome a committee of people of knowledge and opinion. We will receive them realistically and provide for them the necessary protection. They will reflect on the evidence of our accusations from the reality of the tragedies taking place and witness the truth in what we say, as others in the past have said. Therefore, this committee will advise those groups, reminding them of God's way, so that maybe they will return to their sense. If they refuse, this committee will state the truth to the ummah, publicly exposing them, so that it might be more beneficial for them.
"(Interviewer) Is there a description for the state of the tribes under the current situation? Is there a message to them?

"(Al-Muhajir) The tribes in Iraq are divided into parts. One part stood by and supported the Islamic State, whether visibly or in a concealed manner, employing its youth and old men. In the case of this group, we would never be able to re-pay or thank them in this lifetime. May God reward them with the best of rewards for Islam and Muslims. Another part worked on their farming, tilling, and trade, and did not show enmity toward the mujahidin or cooperate with the occupier. Even though they have forsaken one of their duties and a religious duty, we still give them the benefit of the doubt. God willing, they will join the good group.

"Another part cooperated with the occupier and fought the mujahidin. They were victims of the deviating fatwas and the lies and deceit of the Islamic Party and the traitors of jihad. Even though we fight them, we hate doing so. We hope for the coming of the day in which they would repent to God and return to their senses, especially after they have witnessed the Crusader violence and the hate of the rejectionists and how they want to enslave Sunnis. Our hands and hearts are open to any of them who repent to God. Otherwise, we will slaughter them. God's prophet was truthful when he stated in the veritable Hadith related by Abu Dawud, Ahmad, Ibn Habban, and Al-Hakim, in their Sahih, 'Some of my people will alight on low-lying ground, which they will call Al-Basrah, beside a river called Dijlah (the Tigris) over which there is a bridge. Its people will be numerous and it will be one of the capital cities of immigrants (or one of the capital cities of Muslims, according to the version of Ibn Yahya who reported from Abu Ma'mar). At the end of time the descendants of Qantura will come with broad faces and small eyes and alight on the bank of the river. The town's inhabitants will then separate into three sections, one of which will follow cattle and (live in) the desert and perish, another of which will seek security for themselves and perish, but a third will put their children behind their backs and fight the invaders, and they will be the martyrs' (Hadith).

"(Interviewer) Is it possible for you to clarify for us whom the amir of believers called to for reconciliation and cooperation?

"(Al-Muhajir) What the amir of believers stated was very clear. He said that 'the only condition

to join this rank or coalition is to be a Muslim who seeks applying God's Shari'ah and religion'. Praise be to God, they are numerous. God keep him safe. He stated, 'Everyone who is an apostate, like those who cooperated with the Crusaders in their fight against the mujahidin.' (sentence incomplete as heard) God keep him safe. He stated, 'Those who seek applying God's Shari'ah, are those who have made national allegiance their goal for jihad and the pinnacle of their achievements. The most important goal for these people is to achieve justice, divide the resources, and to make all countrymen equal in their duties and responsibilities, regardless of their religion or creed. They seek one goal, and we seek another goal. So how do we agree on the path to that goal? Even if this path brings us together, we must separate ourselves.' We ask God to guide them to the right path and better their intentions.

"(Interviewer) Is there something to be said to the soldiers of the Awakening Councils in light of the recent detentions that are currently affecting them, and the accusations of criminality made against them by Al-Maliki and his mafia?

"(Al-Muhajir) In the case of their criminality, then yes! They have committed a crime against their religion, their people, and themselves. They are criminals! Criminals! However, if they return to their homes and leave what they are currently involved in, repenting to God, we will ensure their safety on the condition that their repentance is honest and true. We specifically mean those who were members of groups that alleged that they were waging jihad. We will ensure their safety, under the condition that their repentance is truthful, and that they will not bear arms once again under any pretext, until they demonstrate the sincerity of their repentance. When that happens, every case will be treated separately. On the other hand, those who insist on continuing this path, their heads will not, God willing, escape us. We will cool the ardor and ease the nation from their evil way.

"(Interviewer) The Americans and their collaborators congratulate themselves on the fact that you have left Iraq. What do you say to them?

"(Al-Muhajir) I state, Abu Musaab, God bless him, was killed among his soldiers in Diyala. Abu Azzam was killed among his brothers in Baghdad. Abu Qaswara, God have mercy on him, among his dear ones in Mosul. Umar Hadid was killed among his men in Al-Fallujah. We used to laugh together when he heard the Americans while they called on the loudspeakers in Al-Fallujah that 'Umar Hadid has escaped and left you.' This talk of theirs heralded steadfastness among the brothers from which they little expected it. By God, if there was only one bullet left in Iraq, I would remain alive to shoot it, then I would detonate my explosive belt in the nearest of their gathering places. I ask God to grant me determination, and all my brothers are better than I, and I challenge any person who claims that any of the amirs in the Islamic State (of Iraq) has left it for hours while appointed as an amir, for we have resolved to cleanse Iraq and other than Iraq from the filth of the occupier and his agents. Either we will die martyrs or they die miserable, and the last of us will not die until he sees victory with his own eyes and this is a promise from God.

"(Interviewer) About Gaza's recent massacre, what is your idea of its true causes?

"(Al-Muhajir) This is an important and a big question, and with the help of God, I say that what happened in Gaza reminds me of an event that took place in the heart of Cairo, in a public place, where a human beast, a criminal whose heart was stripped of modesty at the beginning of the nineties raped a young girl in the daylight, near the tyrant's (regime) police center. That criminal did not arouse anyone's rage until he finished his shameful act, then he left safely without encountering any harm. After that the people started screaming and wailing and asking that

poor girl for the reason that led to the act instead of helping her. In my opinion, the reason is still unknown, the event caused a great uproar in the Egyptian society, and that is exactly what happened to Gaza. The Jews embarked upon that horrible massacre in plain sight and hearing of the nations of the one and a half billion people, it took place in Gaza while it was surrounded by the Arab's brave armies from every corner, but the nation contended with pretending and denouncing and it hastened to collect donations and taking in charge the responsibilities to rebuild Gaza just as the people in Cairo rushed to help the girl and donating clothes to cover her. "But what was the reason that led to the girl's tragedy? In my opinion, Mubarak's tyrannical regime has sent one of his dogs to carry out that heinous act so as to test the patience of the people and to gauge the extent of their cowardice and to see if there were any more feelings, any sense of honor, defiance and courage left in them. When he was reassured of the result, he subjected the people to torture and he drove the youth and the elderly to detention camps, and he deprived them of everything. Finally, he let them kill each other for a piece of bread in the queues of ignominy and disgrace instead of dying in the battle arenas. This is the real cause that prompted the Jews to this violent and criminal act, with the recommendation of the Americans and the European Union. The Arabs will understand that what happened in Gaza was but a light teasing and that a flood of subjugation is imminent. The real cause was not HAMAS' missile launching. They stated and insisted days and nights that they (HAMAS) agreed and signed and committed to respecting the truce with the occupier upon the condition that the Jews respect it too, and they send waves of emissaries, and they set up numbers of conferences, and here they are today dedicated to it without prior agreement, so what if there was an agreement? In addition, it is most funny that it is said that the cause (that led to the massacre) was on account of the tunnels dug by HAMAS and against which Mubarak's Egypt could not prevent the movement from and to them or destroy them and the border stretch but a few kilometers between Egypt and the Gaza Strip, whereas weak regimes in Jordan and Syria could control a border hundreds of kilometers long in a manner that has never been subjected to any mentioned encroachment.

"In fact, the truth that is well known to the Jews is that Mubarak regime is more concerned about its security than themselves, and it is impossible for a regime that is as tyrannical and old in crime such as Mubarak's regime to be unaware of the cattle, gas, and oil smuggling. Rather the truth is what was told to us by the Egyptian ambassador to Israel for seven years and who died in Iraq (in reference to Ihab al-Sherif who had been purportedly killed by Abu Mus'ab al-Zarqawi's militant group. Mr. Sherif was reported to have worked at Egyptian embassies in Iraq and Israel), he stated that Egypt controlled every mouse hole on its borders with Israel, and that on every tunnel stood an Egyptian security intelligence team that controlled everything that went in and out, while they play the role of a warden in a big prison. However, instead of opening the doors to allow the prisoner to get his food and water, it smuggled him through a hole in the wall. The prisoner thanked him and the warden was paid for his services, and all were safe from the situation breaking out. No weapons or others were smuggled unless it was done with the knowledge of the Egyptian intelligence services, and what is most amazing is that one can believe that a Kuwaiti opposition Parliament deputy flew to Egypt, reached the border, went through a tunnel, then returned to his country without anyone knowing. Such a matter in a country where the regime monitors even the beggars in the streets, and the people, the dead, and the living among them who reside in graveyards. The true cause behind Gaza's events is to test how much the Arab regimes, the Muslim people, and the nation's scholars can handle if they are served a strong and violent punch in the face such as the one that was given in Gaza.

"When they were assured of the result, the second step quickly began, which was not present before these incidents. They signed a security agreement with Washington to protect its land and sea borders. This agreement includes military steps on the lands of the countries surrounding Israel taken by Washington and its allies, without going back to or even informing these countries.

"They issued an arrest warrant for an Arab ruler and they will. They even carried out military aggression and shelled targets on the territory of that country without caring. They also made the decision to empty Jerusalem of any Arab presence. They informed a large number of the weak to vacate their homes or else they would be demolished in a major precedent. Everything that has happened is nothing if compared to what is to follow. For this a very extremist Zionist Jewish government has been prepared.

"(Interviewer) If the US is collapsing economically and militarily and is involved in wars from which it does not know how to extricate itself, then where is the danger?

"(Al-Muhajir) Yes, the US is collapsing on all fronts. Alone it does not have the ability to enter into another war against Muslims. That is why it handed the banner to NATO and returned the leadership of the crusading wars to its old poles; France, Germany, Italy, and Britain. That is why Sarkozy's France decided to return to the alliance more than 40 years after leaving it. The ships of this alliance have indeed begun to surround the Muslim region after they repeatedly trained in naval maneuvers on how to occupy the region. The alliance today has a strong presence in Afghanistan and in Lebanon to protect Israel's northern borders and to interfere in any sudden development in the countries of the Levant, as happened during the Nahr al-Barid incidents.

"In my view, the coming conflict will be led by the crusading European alliance, with Russian and Persian participation once again, after it has become almost certain that Iran will possess nuclear weapons.

"(Interviewer) This leads us to an important question. What is the nation's responsibility regarding this impending danger?

"(Al-Muhajir) First, we must recognize the treachery being woven against the sectors of the nation in order to know what it is they need to do. First, the clerics--they are the enemy's first target. They sought to stifle the voices of the honest ones; they are either prisoners or fugitives. He who is still free and alive is watched around the clock. The real goal behind this campaign is for the nation's clerics to stand against the (Islamic) nation and for the protectors of the religion to destroy the religion or to corrupt it; for them to go from builders of the creed of monotheism to its demolishers. The cross and the Jews will never accept anything less than what was done by the two figures of the Muslim Brotherhood in Qatar and Lebanon. Yusuf al-Qaradawi stood on the pillar of the prophet of God, God's prayers and peace on him, during the Friday prayers and in an unprecedented incident urged the nation that General Michel (Aun) becomes the president and amir of the Muslim coastline and one of the most important fronts in the countries of the Levant in Lebanon. Fathi Yakan also called for this. The clerics used to devise for rulers that had Muslim names, but today, they have moved past this to calling for the installing of crusading, hateful rulers, whose hands are covered with the blood of the pure. In his sermon, broadcast by his famous satellite network, the man claimed that experience has proved General Michel's wisdom.

"God Almighty says: 'And he to whom wisdom is granted receiveth indeed a benefit overflowing' (Partial Koranic verse, Al-Bagara 2:269).

"Wisdom, as the learned people say, is knowledge about religion, the Sunnah and the

foundations of religious rules. When clerics are deviated, wisdom becomes that he is a crusader who slaughtered Muslims in Nahr al-Barid. Even though the man went against religion in this incident in many ways, the most important of which is contradicting the unanimity of the (Islamic) nation about the rules concerning the ruler, which he knows about. The least of which was what they said that he who calls sinfulness justice has become an apostate. He who tells the tyrant that he is just has become an apostate. Unfortunately, I have not heard anyone put an end to his deviousness.

"Today, in light of the horrendous slaughtering of the weak in Gaza, the clerics of Saudi Arabia issued a fatwa forbidding Muslims from demonstrating in support of their brothers. One of them claimed that he is defending the causes of jihad that they need to prevent giving an opportunity to those who want to cause instability and out of concern for the Jewish police stations in Muslim countries. They have indeed feared for their thrones in the midst of the nation's anger with the Jews and their protectors in our countries. A man and his party called for the collection of donations to treat the poor raped girl. Perversion begins small, but with the silence of the good among you, the unjust persisted to their goals and the scholars in their shamelessness, until it got to the point of someone telling the ruler 'do what you want and we will find you an outlet in the book of God.' Oh you scholars, shame on you that the mujahidin are the ones who have to remind you, when you are the ones who have to remind them. Shame on you that they need to notify you of your duties, for you are the ones who should notify them. Oh you scholars, we will not leave you to do what you want. If you attack us with bullets of injustice until our blood flows on our faces, we will wipe it off our faces, forgive you, appeal to you not to do so, ask you not to let us down again, and if you put up with us we would cling to you, on condition that you would not abandon us. So if you do consent we will appreciate you, boost you, and not do anything without consulting you so you and yours will not find us but submitting to the truth and glorification of the Shari'ah.

"Oh you scholars of the ummah, you have to stand by the ummah in its current crisis, for by God, the Jews will not accept from you less than abandoning (your) faith. God truly said: 'Never will the Jews or the Christians be satisfied with thee unless thou follow their form of religion' (Koranic verse; Al-Baqara; 2:120). Al-Shaykh Usama (bin Ladin), may God protect him, had made a good and notable suggestion. We add to it that you can at least form a secret committee for fatwas that would issue fatwas concerning the deviants of the ummah and that would be assumed by your brothers the mujahidin in the jihadist media outlets until some of you migrate to a safe place. This is inevitable and is a duty. It is required of every one of you until some of you do perform it.

"The second message is to the Muslim merchants. We tell you that Arab merchants have lost \$2.5 trillion in the present-day financial crisis. Some merchants have lost all that they owned. Others have lost 60 percent of what they owned. So what can you expect? Will you stand with your hands folded until the American European monster comes and devours what remains of your wealth? They are suffering as a result of the great crisis and will not confess their complete bankruptcy and their defeat until they spend the last dirham in your pockets? Take care not to be involved in their banks of usury. It is not only forbidden, but also you would not be able to recover any of your money if the crisis worsens. You still have the opportunity to support your mujahidin sons in standing in the face of this monster, have his canines broken and repel him, defeat or kill him. And with the tenth of the tenfold that you lost in the past period, the preservation of finances, the realization of gains in supporting the mujahidin for the sake of God. Moreover it is God's command and the support of your faith. Most important of all these fronts that you have completely forsaken for more than two years, is the Iraqi front. To God only do we complain.

"The third message is to the learned, the thinkers, and to those who call for freedom and Muslim masterminds: are you aware that there is no freedom, no dignity, and no patriotism with these leaders? Are you still expecting something good from them? Is there a solution that you can see other than what the mujahidin are doing? So devote your pens in support of their issue. Muslim scholars also have to make every effort in order to obtain unconventional weapons that can operate as an element of deterrence in the hands of the mujahidin. This huge difference in arms between us and our enemies cannot continue. The mujahidin today are badly in need of chemical weapons, bacterial weapons, and electronic weapons; even nuclear weapon and whatever exists in its orbit of destruction in order to preserve the gains that they have achieved and that they will achieve God willing. It is also important that the mujahidin acquire"

(Interviewer) What type of mujahidin that you mean need support?

"(Al-Muhajir) I mean those mujahidin for the sake of God. Those who are striving to have the rule by God's Shari'ah prevail. Past years have proven that the only gun and bullet that is not for sale or rent is the gun and the bullet of the jihadist Salafi as depicted by them. They humiliated the cross in Iraq, have demeaned it in Afghanistan, whipped its back in Somalia, and are recording a masterpiece of steadfastness in Chechnya.

"So let us see how others fight. The supporters of independence and nationalists have blemishes and deviations that do not need clarification. It is enough that Fatah (Movement) is an example of this treason. As for the dilemma of the era, the Muslim Brotherhood, their treachery is obvious in Iraq and their criminality is clearer in Afghanistan. In both cases they are the best aid and support for the cross and its party. Their followers in Somalia joined the caravan. They are, as a friend of ours said: 'If they enter a battle field they will degrade it.' They consumed the money of the Muslims for years and when the events of Gaza took place, not even one bullet was fired outside the boundaries of Gaza. Even in Palestine itself, not even one bullet was fired. This leads us to wonder about the large sums of money that they took from the Muslim merchants as tithes, which is to my knowledge, more then the budget of some countries.

"Where did it go, since they are still incapable (of support) to this point? Has not two years been enough of freedom and governance in Gaza to prepare and supply dozens of groups inside the (West) Bank and the lands of (19) 48? When the enemy placed a siege on the second Al-Fallujah, the heroes burned the ground that was under the occupier's feet and brought down Mosul and freed the entire Gharbiyah (Western district) during the time of the siege, killing thousands from the occupier army and their collaborators. While during the war of Gaza they were a patient and strong people and an unqualified leadership that never was prepared for an event like this. Not like some of them claimed when they said 'for the first time the leadership precedes its people.' So what has this leadership done during the battles other than isolation and leaving the weak to face a death that is like the death of the plague, without a noticeable true military presence? The casualties of the occupier is the best evidence of this.

"(Al-Muhajir) My message is a message of greeting, love, and respect to those who held our heads up high in the land of endurance and jihad in Afghanistan and Pakistan; to the true monotheists in Somalia and to the patient steadfast (ones) in Palestine and the Levant; to the heroic Muslims in Chechnya and to the anchored mountains (description for them as strong majestic and steadfast) in the Islamic Maghreb; to the oppressed who are awaiting in Egypt and Sudan and to the people of belief and wisdom and the supporters in the Arabian Peninsula; and to the mujahidin everywhere and I mention in particular the unknown soldiers in the jihadist

media. To you all I send you my greetings and the greetings of my brothers in Iraq. I swear to God, I love you for the sake of God and I transmit the love of your brothers to you. If you saw them you would be proud of them, God willing, as we are happy to accompany them. God willing, they will protect you from their end, so protect us from the enemy at your end. We consider you to be capable and masters in doing that, and God is your judge and our meeting is in Jerusalem, God willing, and I hope this will be soon.

"(Interviewer) Our shaykh, may God reward you well for this good interview. May God make what is in it useful and may He place it in the balance of your good deeds. We hope that you will not deprive us of this occurrence in the future."