

## **AI-Qaeda Ideologue Remarks on Revolutions, Incites Against the West**

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AI-Qaeda ideologue Attiya Allah remarked on the revolutions in Egypt and Tunisia and incited against the West, claiming that Western countries demand the permanence of the "tyrannical" regimes in the Middle East and North Africa to protect their interests. His remarks came in a seven-page document published by al-Fajr Media Center and released on jihadist forums on February 23, 2011. The document is titled "The Revolution of the People and the Fall of the Corrupt Arab Regime," and is dated February 16. Attiya Allah, who has appeared in videos from al-Qaeda's media arm, as-Sahab, noted that as he sent the writing to al-Fajr to be published, the Libyan revolution began against Muammar Gaddafi. He wrote in regard to Gaddafi and his family, saying that they "transgressed beyond bounds in the lands, spread corruption, and made the country a property for them and their dogs.

Attiya Allah acknowledged that the revolutions were not the "perfections for which we hoped," meaning that the regimes of Zine El Abidine Ben Ali and Hosni Mubarak were not ousted in favor of regimes founded on Islamic Shariah, but the demise of those regimes is a happy occasion. He also commented about jihadists' expectations of al-Qaeda and dismissed thoughts that al-Qaeda has a "magic wand" to gather large armies and lead the charge to overturn governments and rescue besieged Muslims. Rather, he wrote, "al-Qaeda is a simple part of the efforts of the jihadi Ummah [nation], so do not think of them to be more than they are. We all should know our abilities and to try to cooperate in goodness, piety and jihad in the Cause of Allah; everyone in his spot and with whatever they can and what is suitable to them."

He argued that the occasion of revolutions in Egypt and Tunisia, and those erupting elsewhere should warrant al-Qaeda and its ideologically aligned groups, and scholars and preachers, to educate people amidst the freedom of a tyrant-free state. Further, Attiya Allah also explained that the revolutions demonstrated the weakness of the region's regimes and the West's attempts to continue to prop them up. He wrote: "What is important to the West is the continuance of the situation as is, to guarantee the continuance of fulfilling its economic interests and the flow of the goods of our countries and our people to its markets and factories. This is shown to the people in a very clear image in the position of France toward the Tunisian revolution, and the position of America and others."

Following is a translation of the document:

Full Text

**The Revolution of the People and the Fall of the Corrupt Arab Regime  
Breaking the Idol of Stability and the New Start**

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With our Arab people and all the peoples of the world, we followed with enthusiasm and warmth the events of the two revolutions of Egypt and Tunisia. I imagined that I heard the sound of bones breaking of the regime of the old collapsing pharaoh Hosni LaMubarak {Note: A pun on Mubarak's name, which means "blessed," so that it means "not blessed"}, and with it - like the beats of drums - I heard the heart beats of Jews, who are a stone's throw away, while they are troubled with the extreme horror and fear that Allah threw unto them through this great event!

We used to follow the news every day, and we prayed to Allah for the Muslims to be granted a good situation and that the people of Tunisia are freed from the cowardly tyrant and that Egypt and its Muslim people are freed from this tyrant and his despicable, corrupt, oppressive, transgressing and hardhearted regime. We prayed that the Muslims in Egypt be granted a good situation and that the revolution be something good for Islam and Muslims. It is true that it is not the perfection for which we hoped, but the demise of some of the evil or a lot of it is something that makes us happy. Meanwhile, we hope that this step is an introduction to a coming good and an opening to pathways, Allah willing.

Therefore, our Muslim and Arab people in Tunisia, Egypt, Algeria, Libya, Jordan, Yemen and elsewhere need someone to remind them of Allah in such days and to remind them of the days of Allah and His laws. They need someone to draw their attention to the good examples and the points of wisdom that are learned from these universal lessons, and such is an important role for the preachers to Allah and the students and the Islamic movements.

These were revolutions, especially the revolution of Egypt against the Egyptian regime and the corrupt despicable Arab regimes alone, but its dimensions are more comprehensive and deeper than that. They are a watershed and a prominent turning point in the history of the area and its social relationships. Hosni LaMubarak and his regime were not the only victims in the revolution of Egypt, but with them also fell the idea of stability - an idea that they made into an idol worshipped by the rascal tyrants and made the people worship it. Stability of the region only meant that all factors had been achieved of their peace and security against any disturbance that bothers their luxurious, soft and extravagant states of being; or threatens their rule and their absolute control over the countries and their resources; and allows them and their families to solely enjoy the biggest share of resources and excess wealth and provisions, with what it requires of guarding the borders of the finished little State of Israel and guaranteeing its security and its protection from any jihadi orientations!

The Egyptian regime fell, and before it the Tunisian, and perhaps the Yemeni, Jordanian, Libyan, Algerian and Moroccan regimes might catch up with them, with permission from Allah the Almighty.

When I started sending this article for publishing, the news came about our people in Libya and the start of their revolution against the retarded, ominous tyrant and his family, who transgressed beyond bounds in the lands, spread corruption, and made the country a property for them and their dogs. We ask Allah to save the people from them and to grant the Muslims a good situation in which the people of obedience to the Almighty will prevail and the people who disobey Him will be humiliated.

This is how Allah gave examples to the people and the generation of youths who were able to prove their abilities in our modern world despite all the attempts of the corrupt Arab regimes to corrupt the youths on all levels and to put them to sleep. These regimes were stupid and unaware and are similar to none other than a lustful being. The revolution had to come no

matter how long it waited, because these are universal laws that we knew from history, human sciences and experiences, and from the simple calculations of psychology and sociology. The accumulation of corruption in that way in our nations and Arab and Islamic communities can never continue very long. The accumulation ultimately reached a point that led to an explosion, which was lit by what Allah has destined and what Allah has made available, and given momentum by countless united efforts to face it. Some of the efforts are good and some are not, but Allah knows best what His creations do and what they intend and want. Some of them are successful winners in the hereafter and some will find nothing but loss in the hereafter, may Allah forbid it, but all of these efforts are united to face the tyrannical regime. I remember here what the poet Ahmad Matar said: {Poetry}

Nevertheless, I was like a lot of people who didn't anticipate it that quickly, like the way it happened in the standing green Tunisia. I don't think that the enemies expected it either, which is shown in the clumsy and stupid behavior of the French and even the Americans, although they were better than the French, especially in Egypt, and they learned from the experience and understood that change is inevitably happening!

Along with a lot of people, we thought that citizens died or were drugged for a long period of time due to what the criminal tyrants did to them, but the revolution of Tunisia and what came after proved that the people can rise at a time when experts think that they are dead or unconscious!

But nevertheless, I am going to put down two positions:

The First Position:

We read awhile before the start of the revolution in Tunisia, meaning during the days of the tyrant Ben Ali, an article on the Internet - I think it was by Sheikh Abu Muslim al-Jaza'iri - anticipating the near fall of the Tunisian regime, and the explosion of the revolution and all of that. It was noticeable and I thanked Allah when I remembered that there are youths amongst us who have good skills of contemplation, clairvoyance, understanding and expectation, and that we have aware and capable people. We ask Allah to bless them.

The Second Position:

The message that was spread on the Internet from a Tunisian sister to al-Qaeda and its leadership of Sheikh Usama bin Laden and others, asking for help and telling about the tragedy of Islam, Muslims and religious brothers and sisters in Tunisia. The message was - regardless of the complete authentication of its truth or reality - touching, sad and enticing for more rage and anger against these cursed tyrants: the enemies of Allah, the enemies of Islam, and the enemies of virtue and purity, who along with their parties and regimes, spread unparalleled corruption. No one was able to do anything, and people were in a state of near explosion, except that Allah comforted their hearts. We only had two options, as I said to some of my brothers back then: Either to beseech Allah with supplication and strive in it with our weak brothers and sisters, or to continue in our jihad.

Steadfastness and continuance in jihad is one of the most important of what Allah the Great and Almighty granted us of opportunities to advance in service of our religion, our Ummah [nation], and our repressed and oppressed brothers and sisters.

On this occasion I want to clarify something to our brothers and sisters everywhere – with our appreciations in the confidence of Muslims in us and their love for us:

Al-Qaeda doesn't have a magic wand, as people say, and the story, my honorable beloved brothers and sisters, is not the story of "al-Mutasim and 'Aammoreyyah" {Note: Referring to stories of Muslim women crying for help and men gathering large armies to rescue her}, and it is not the story of moving soldiers or mobilizing tremendous armies. Al-Qaeda is a simple part of the efforts of the jihadi Ummah, so do not think them to be more than they are. We all should know our abilities and to try to cooperate in goodness, piety and jihad in the Cause of Allah; everyone in his spot and with whatever they can and what is suitable to them. Allah grants victory and descends relief and success for the honesty of truthful people, the sincerity of sincere people, and the supplication of weak defeated people.

It was as if the message of the sister from Tunisia was truly the last signal of the end of the regime of the tyrant Ben Ali, and the relief from the anguish, Allah willing. This is a lesson for those who contemplate. I hope that the sister will write another message about the new situation, which is not exactly what we are dreaming of or want, but it is for certain a relief for many from the agony. We wish that, Allah willing, there will be plenty of good and mercy within all of this.

The reformers of our Ummah today, the mujahideen and the preachers to Allah, should take this historic opportunity and start constant preaching, education, reform and revival work in the shade of freedoms and opportunities given after the revolution and after the disappearance of many effects and restrictions.

In general, we call the youths to understand the situations well and to stay away from narrow-mindedness, spasticity and hastiness. They shouldn't enter into disagreements with the different sects in the Islamic movement, like the brothers of renaissance in Tunisia, for example, or others; rather, they should start with constructive work, and the same applies to the brothers in Egypt, Sinai, Rafah and elsewhere. The qualities of kindness, good morals and patience with people and their different understandings should prevail. They should know that our Ummah is living through a difficult and complicated time and it has just started attempting to rise and get out of the state of decadence in which it stayed for not only decades but for centuries!

So, the youths should have a proper level of awareness, and this doesn't oppose the zeal to offer for the religion, and the respect and enthusiasm for it, and speaking out the clear truth and the clarity of the methodology. Just add to this what we mentioned of virtues: kindness, good manners, giving priority to compassion, mercy and beneficence in dealing with all the Muslims, and not only that, but with all the people. Make your rule: I can do good and speak the truth, but only with good manners and wisdom, and avoidance of hindering, spoiling problems.

And know - may Allah bless you - that the truth is in levels, some of which are inevitable to talk about and act upon, and some of which are left behind due to justifications. So, learn about that and open your hearts to understand useful knowledge, and raise your levels of awareness and understanding.

The Arab revolutions in Tunisia and Egypt and the upcoming revolutions in other countries disclosed a vast array of facts and showed them publicly. This is great and is a mercy from Allah to the Muslims. People started writing about this and a lot will be written about it, because it is a big historical event. However, I wanted to remind about some points regarding the fragility of these police, despotic, totalitarian and tyrannical regimes. Despite their bubbly look, they are

empty. They are rather full of weakness and cowardice, and they are rotten on the inside and decomposing. It only takes for the people to move and revolt against them and they will fall; their presidents will flee outside and wouldn't be sheltered in their countries, even in a lizard's hole! Many people realized that the tyrant disbelieving rulers are worthless and there is no chance of reform; the rulers just made worth for themselves with the rule and power of police and henchmen and classes of people that benefit from them and whose destinies are connected with their destinies.

What became clear to the people is that the disbelieving West doesn't care about the interests of our Muslim people at all, and only cries with crocodile tears and only runs and drools after its personal interests, which require "stability" of the region and the permanence of these milch regimes {Note: Literally, regimes giving milk, but implied is giving benefits} despite their ruthlessness, oppression and repression of their people, and their opposition to their freedoms; despite their vast corruption about which the West knows very well; despite the lack of the simplest human rights under their shade; and despite the sorrows of our people and what they suffer from of deprivation and oppression about which the West knows very well What is important to the West is the continuance of the situation as is, to guarantee the continuance of fulfilling its economic interests and the flow of the goods of our countries and our people to its markets and factories. This is shown to the people in a very clear image in the position of France toward the Tunisian revolution, and the position of America and others. Whoever doesn't see these facts will never be able to see anything!

Some of the most important facts:

The clarity about the close correlation between these Arab apostate regimes and the Jews (Israel), and how the Egypt of Hosni LaMubarak is considered to be the watchful trustworthy guard of the Jews. The people saw how the Jews were hanging on to Hosni and his regime, and they saw the extent of their fear and horror for its fall. Many people today know that if it wasn't for these treacherous, disbelieving regimes (Egypt, Jordan, Syria and the rest of the small countries of the despicable Arab regimes), the small state of Israel wouldn't have stayed in existence, until the quick battle with our Ummah comes which will end in the victory of our Ummah, and that is soon, with permission from Allah the Great and Almighty.

Regarding the hypocritical Saudi regime, the Traitor of the Two Holy Mosques {Note: Rather than the proper title, 'Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques'}, the king of the Saud family, stood with all that he has of power with Hosni LaMubarak and did his utmost to help him, to the point that he opposed the Americans in their position, and this might be the first time in which he argued with them.

The people of the Arabian Peninsula and elsewhere saw how Abdullah al-Saud stood with Hosni and strove to prevent his fall, disregarding the demands of the Egyptian people, their will and their overwhelming revolution, and not paying attention to the vileness of this regime and its oppression and vast corruption.

We present the wise people in Saudi Arabia simple questions, because these are lessons for those with insight: Why does Abdullah al-Saud help the secular Hosni, who is an agent of Israel, a friend of the Americans and a beloved of the Jews? Doesn't Abdullah al-Saud know the situation of Hosni and the state of his regime that is fighting the religion and that is belligerent and filled its belly from impermissible wealth? Does the position of Abdullah al-Saud spring from the religion and the forgiving creed or the keenness to protect the Ummah? Did Abdullah

help Hosni for the Cause of Allah and for Allah and the religion? Does Abdullah al-Saud care about the religion or the hereafter?!

These are questions that await for answers in the lives of every free man who questions himself and holds it accountable and tries to learn before Allah seals such deeds on the hearts. *"O you who believe! Answer Allah and His Messenger when he calls you to that which will give you life, and know that Allah comes in between a person and his heart. And verily to Him you shall be gathered."* [Al-Anfal 8:24] And before the flood and before it is too late.

As for the mujahideen brothers in Yemen, I will not forget to remind them that the regime of Ali Abdullah Saleh is in its weakest state and that the revolution is coming and he is on the verge of collapse. I don't think that I need to remind anyone that it is a great opportunity in terms of politics, security and culture, and there are many chances to do good for those whom Allah helped and granted victory and piety in wars and in times of change.

Until we meet again, Allah willing, with our people while they are free, with Muslim people who are absolutely seriously in longing to hold to Islam, the religion of Allah the Almighty and His guidance in which there is goodness, security, glory, dignity, tranquility and happiness in this life and in the hereafter. *"Whosoever works righteousness - whether male or female - while he is a true believer, verily, to him We will give a good life, and We shall pay them certainly a reward in proportion to the best of what they used to do."* [An-Nahl 16:97] *"Then if there comes to you guidance from Me, then whoever follows My Guidance he shall neither go astray, nor shall be distressed. \* But whosoever turns away from My Reminder, verily, for him is a life of hardship, and We shall raise him up blind on the Day of Resurrection."* [From Ta-Ha 20:123-124]

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