

## **Al-Jazirah Airs Bin Ladin, Al-Zawahiri Tape on Anniversary of 11 Sep Attacks**

Osama bin Laden  
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[Announcer-read report over video]

[FBIS Translated Text] Al-Jazirah has obtained a recorded tape in which Usama Bin Ladin, leader of the Al-Qa'ida organization, and his right-hand man Ayman al-Zawahiri are shown walking in an unknown mountainous area. Signs of old age have appeared on each of Bin Ladin and Al-Zawahiri. It is most probable that the tape was produced in late April or early May 2003.

Now let us listen to the audio message of Bin Ladin that accompanied the pictures. Bin Ladin hailed once again the perpetrators of the New York and Washington attacks two years ago.

Begin Bin Ladin recording: He who wants to learn faithfulness, honesty, generosity, and courage to support religion from contemporary persons, then he must draw lessons from Sa'id al-Ghamidi, Muhammad Ata, Khalid al-Mihdar, Ziyad al-Jarrah, Marwan al-Shihhi, and their brothers, may God have mercy on them. These persons learned from the traditions of our prophet Muhammad, May God's peace, mercy, and blessings be upon him, who is the most honest, courageous, and generous man. He, may God's peace, mercy, and blessings be upon him, said: You will never find me to be stingy, a coward, or a liar.

Here, I say to those who do not enjoy some of these characteristics and who failed to carry out jihad: He who is not convinced of killing should go away and not influence those who are convinced [of killing]. I say to them: He who fears climbing mountains will always live among holes. [verses of poetry] [end recording]

The same tape obtained by Al-Jazirah included an audio message by Ayman al-Zawahiri in which he recounted what he considered to be achievements made by the Al-Qa'ida organization over the past two years. He also talked about what he described as lies of the United States and its allies. He challenged Washington to announce the real size of its losses in Afghanistan and Iraq. He also said that Al-Qa'ida will strongly respond to any aggression that is waged against it.

Begin Al-Zawahiri recording: This is the second anniversary of the New York and Washington conquests defying America and its Crusade campaign from whose wounds it is staggering in Afghanistan and Iraq. We tell them that we are not advocates of killing and destruction, but with God's help, we will cut any hand that carries an aggression against us.

We are concerned about telling you more than this and emphasize to you that what you have seen so far are only the first skirmishes and the beginning of the clash. The real battle, however, has not started yet. So, prepare yourselves to be punished for your crimes.

We call upon you to honestly contemplate and review your crimes against Muslims, and then to ask your chief criminals about the real size of your losses in Iraq and Afghanistan. We challenge them if they have the courage to speak frankly to you, but they are too cowardly to do so.

We advise the mothers of the crusade soldiers if they hope to see their sons to quickly ask their governments to return them before they return to them in coffins.

On this anniversary, we address our Muslim brothers in Palestine to emphasize to them that the wound of Palestine is bleeding in the heart of every Muslim, and that with God's help and might, we will not allow America to dream of security until we see it materializing in Palestine and all Islamic countries. We call on them to stand fast on the path of jihad and not to be deceived by the tricks of America and its agents who bless the road map to hell. Palestine will only be liberated with jihad. So, beware, beware, and beware to lay down your arms. You should stick to the position of having the faithful as allies and to antagonize the infidels only on the basis of which one can be described as monotheistic. Beware of making allies those who recognize the legitimacy of Israel and accept the crumbs from it.

Regarding our brother mujahidin in Iraq, we greet them and press their hands.

We beseech God to bless their sacrifices and courage in fighting the Crusaders. We tell them that God is with you and the entire nation supports you. So, rely on God, and pounce on the Americans just as lions pounce their prey, and bury them in Iraq's graveyard. Victory is only a matter of the patience of hours.

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