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ASSESSMENT

Al-Qaeda's regional arm in Saudi Arabia, al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula, conducted a wave of hostage takings, shootings and kidnappings in May 2004 and June 2004. At least seven attacks were conducted in rapid succession and in three different cities, Yanbu, Riyadh and al-Khobar. Despite successes by Saudi security forces in attacks against the group, there are likely to be continued operations of this type throughout Saudi Arabia, as well as continued efforts to conduct vehicular bombings and possibly execute a mass casualty or otherwise grand attack.

AL-QAEDA IN THE ARABIAN PENINSULA

- Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula is the regional arm of al-Qaeda in Saudi Arabia. The targeting of its operations in Saudi Arabia has been and is expected to continue to be focused on Westerners, while strikes by the al-Haramayn Brigades, a separate group, are likely to remain focused on Saudi security forces.
- Despite a great number of arrests and killings of al-Qaeda members and seizures of explosives, weapons and money by Saudi security forces, the group has continued to maintain a sustained level of operations for the past 13 months. It has demonstrated the depth of its membership and the resilience of its organizational structure. During this same 13-month period, the group's leader was killed and replaced four times. Despite these constant changes at the top leadership level, the group was able to conduct no fewer than nine successful operations in a 13-month period. It is likely that the number would have been much higher if not for the number of interdictions conducted by Saudi security forces.
- The group's losses in the months following the May 2003 housing compound bombings

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in Riyadh were so great, it released a video dedicated to those who were killed not in operations but in clashes with Saudi security forces. The video features speaking segments by al-Qaeda members Sheikh Youssef bin Saleh al-Ayiri (the leader of al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula at the time of the May 2003 attacks), Ahmed al-Dakhil, Abd al-Ilah al-Otaibi and others. It focuses on al-Qaeda members killed in Saudi Arabia between May and Nov. 2003.

- Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula is responsible for producing the biweekly *Sawt al-Jihad* and *al-Battar* publications.

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ABDUL AZIZ AL-MUQRIN



- The third leader of al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula appointed since mid-2003. He was killed by Saudi security forces on 18 Jun. 2004 [EST time, if going by Saudi time the date may be 19 Jun.]. The second image above was aired by the Saudi Press Agency and shows al-Muqrin's body after he was killed by Saudi security forces.

AL-FALLUJA COMPANYY

- The unit within al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula that conducted the Paul Johnson kidnapping and shooting of Kenneth Scroggs.

AL-QUDS COMPANYY

- The unit within al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula that conducted the Oasis Compound hostage taking.

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YANBU HOSTAGE TAKING, SAUDI ARABIA

- At 0700 local time [0400 GMT] on 1 May 2004, gunmen from al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula attacked the offices of ABB Lummus Global, Inc. in Yanbu, Saudi Arabia.
- The office complex was co-owned by Exxon Mobil and the Saudi company SABIC.
- Six people were killed. The dead were comprised of two Americans, two British, one Australian and a member of the Saudi National Guard. An American, a Canadian and a Pakistani and 25 Saudis were injured. Among the dead were ABB employees British chemical engineer Michael McGillen and Briton Michael Hardy, 44.
- The four gunmen were killed by Saudi security forces after they left the office complex.
- Three of the gunmen were employed in the complex where the offices were located and had access passes. One of the gunmen with a pass used an emergency exit to provide access to the fourth gunman.
- The body of one Westerner was tied to a car and dragged through the streets by the gunmen after they left the office complex.
- According to reporting shortly after the attack, a McDonald's was hit with gunfire, there was an exchange of fire with police outside a Holiday Inn and a pipe bomb was thrown at an international school during the attack.
- On or around 2 May 2004 the Saudi Interior Ministry released the following statement regarding the attack: "Further to the statement issued by the Ministry earlier today regarding the firing by four assailants against the personnel of a Saudi contractor company in Yanbu, three of the company's personnel managed to enter the building as they possess entry cards in their capacity as employees, paving the way for a fourth collaborator to slip into the building through an emergency gate. Using different arms, they started firing at the offices of the company's personnel before leaving the scene in a hurry to begin attacking a residential compound. Security patrols chased them inside residential neighborhoods. Upon arrival at the targeted compound, the guards blocked them and exchanged fire with them, forcing them to retreat. While fleeing away, they harassed a citizen and an expatriate, robbing them of their private cars. The security and national guard patrols continued their hunt and exchanged fire with them at several points, killing three of them and injuring the fourth who later died of his injuries. The identities and security records of the assailants will be announced later. This criminal act resulted in the killing of five company personnel at the contractor's headquarters: two Americans, two Britons and one Australian and the injury of three: Pakistani, American

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and Canadian. Fire exchange also resulted in the martyr of a National Guard soldier and the injury of eight National Guard personnel and ten Public Security personnel. The injured were rushed to hospital."

- No statement was released by al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula claiming responsibility for the attack. The group did, however, refer to the operation as one of its in its writings. The group said, "This operation [Johnson kidnapping] is part of several operations targeting several crusaders in the Arabian Peninsula. It was started by the blessed Yanbu operation followed by al-Khobar operation and then several operations including an ambush of American officers in which an American Jew from Vinnell Corp was killed."
- No pictures or video of the attack were released by the group.

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GERMAN NATIONAL SHOOTING, RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA

- At about 1815 local time [1515 GMT] on 22 May 2004, al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula gunmen in a vehicle shot and killed a German national on Prince Abdullah Highway in eastern Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- The man worked as a caterer for Saudia Air.
- He was reportedly shot in the head and body.
- One witness said the German national had left the Arab National Bank in the al-Hamra district just prior to the shooting.
- No statement was released by al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula claiming responsibility for the attack.

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OASIS COMPOUND HOSTAGE TAKING, AL-KHOBAR, SAUDI ARABIA

- At 0730 local time [0430 GMT] on 29 May 2004, four gunmen from the al-Quds Company of al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula attacked two oil industry office compounds of APICORP (Arab Petroleum Investments Corp.) used by Western oil workers and then seized as many as 50 hostages at the Oasis Compound in al-Khobar, Saudi Arabia.
- The commander of the operation was Fawwaz bin Mohammed al-Nashami. The other three gunmen were Nimr al-Baqmi, Hussein and Nader. Al-Nashami said he was appointed to lead the operation by Abdul Aziz al-Muqrin.
- The hostages were apparently being held on the top floor of a six-storey building. The lower floors of the building were reportedly booby-trapped.
- The siege lasted for at least 25 hours
- Three of the gunmen escaped. Nimr al-Baqmi was killed.
- The gunmen apparently attempted to separate Muslims from non-Muslims and checked IDs to determine the nationality of the hostages. Five Lebanese nationals were released by the gunmen after the first few hours.
- According to one rescued hostage, Jordanian computer engineer Nijar Hijazin, nine hostages had their throats cut when they tried to escape at night by the stairs.
- The commander of the operation, Fawwaz bin Mohammed al-Nashami gave an interview after the operation to the group's *Sawt al-Jihad* publication. A translation of the interview appears in this report.
- Twenty-two people were killed and 25 injured. The dead included three Saudis, one American, one Italian, one Egyptian, eight Indians, three Filipinos, two Sri Lankans, one Swede, one South African and one Briton. Among the dead were UK oil firm executive Michael Hamilton and a 10-year-old Egyptian boy,
- The body of one Westerner was tied to a vehicle and dragged through the streets when moving from the offices to the Oasis Compound.
- The group planned to use a vehicular bomb to breach the gate at the Oasis Compound. The vehicular bomb was to be driven by Fawwaz bin Mohammed al-Nashami.
- The group released a written statement claiming responsibility for the attack and Abdul Aziz al-Muqrin also released an audio tape speaking about the attack.

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SHOOTING OF US ARMY OFFICERS, RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA

- On 2 Jun. 2004, two US Army officers came under fire after leaving a residential compound in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. One suffered minor wounds.
- No statement was released by al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula claiming responsibility for the attack. The group, however, may have referred to the operation in a vague reference in one of its writings as one of its attacks. No pictures or video of the attack were released by the group.

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BBC CREW SHOOTING, RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA

- On 6 Jun. 2004, al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula gunmen opened fire on BBC correspondent Frank Gardner, 42, and BBC cameraman Simon Cumbers, 36, in the al-Suwaydi suburb of Riyadh. They were outside their vehicle with a government minder when the shooting occurred.
- They were filming the house of an al-Qaeda member killed in 2003.
- Cumbers was killed and Gardner critically injured.
- The two had been in Saudi Arabia for a week or less.
- No statement was released by al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula claiming responsibility for the attack. The group, however, did refer to the operation in its writings saying, “We targeted two British spies specialized in terror information, one was killed and the other was critically wounded.”
- No pictures or video of the attack were released by the group.

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ROBERT JACOBS SHOOTING, RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA

- On 8 Jun. 2004, at least three members of al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula shot to death American Robert Jacobs, an employee of Vinnell corporation, at his home in the Khaleej neighborhood of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- The group filmed the shooting and later released it in jihadi circles.

STILLS FROM ROBERT JACOBS SHOOTING VIDEO

- Below are stills from the video of the shooting of Robert Jacobs released around 13 Jun. 2004. The video is 00:01:04 in length and contains a collage of various war images in the beginning as shown on the next page. The video then shows the gunmen shooting Jacobs at his home in Riyadh.



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KENNETH SCROGGS SHOOTING, RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA

- At 1600 local time on 12 Jun. 2004, members of the al-Falluja Company of al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula shot to death American Kenneth Scroggs at his home in the al-Malaz district of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. The attack was reportedly conducted by three individuals. A colleague of Scroggs, American Paul M. Johnson, a Lockheed Martin employee, was kidnapped later in the day by al-Falluja Company members.
- The group claimed responsibility for both the shooting and kidnapping the same day in a written statement.

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PAUL M. JOHNSON KIDNAPPING, RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA

- On 12 Jun. 2004, al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula members kidnapped American Paul Johnson. The group claimed responsibility for the operation the same day.
- Johnson was beheaded by the group on or before 18 Jun.
- An accounting of the operation was published in the group's *Sawt al-Jihad* publication. A translation of the article appears in this report.
- A video of Johnson after he was kidnapped by the group was released on 15 Jun.
- After his beheading the group released a statement containing three still pictures of Johnson dead. These pictures appear to be taken from a video. A correspondent at al-Arabiya claims to have watched the video, but no other instance of its release has been found as of 2 Jul. 2004.
- Johnson was an employee of Lockheed-Martin and had lived in the country for many years.

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STILLS FROM 1ST PAUL M. JOHNSON KIDNAPPING VIDEO

• Below are stills from the video of Paul Johnson released on 15 Jun. 2004. The video is 00:04:27 in length. This is the video which set the 72-hour deadline. It was accompanied by the “Special Communique”. The masked gunman delivering a statement at the end of the video is identified as Abdul Aziz al-Muqrin. Despite his identity being known, al-Muqrin appears masked in all his major video appearances.



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صوت الجهاد
صوت المجاهدين في جزيرة العرب



التقرير الإخباري الحادي عشر بشأن تفاصيل عملية سرية القدس

تابع التقرير الإخباري الحادي عشر بشأن تفاصيل عملية سرية القدس

قال الله تعالى: ﴿ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن تَشْرَرُوا إِنَّ تَشْرَرَكُمْ رُوِّبَتْ أَعْيُنَكُمْ ۗ وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لَعَنَّا لَهُمْ وَأَحْلَىٰ عَذَابَهُمْ ﴾

إخفاقاً لما تم إيصاله في بيان غزوة سرية القدس المباركة نوضح الحقائق التالية:

بدأت الغزوة المباركة يوم أمس السبت في مدينة الخبر بالتحام أربعة من المجاهدين لقرى مكة (بتروليم ستر) التابعة لشركة (هيل برون) الأمريكية الاحتلالية والتي ذكرها الشيخ أسامة في خطابه ما قبل الأخير وأشار إلى دورها في عمدة مشروع الاحتلال الأمريكي لبلاد المسلمين . وفي هذا القصر قتل المجاهدون أربعة أشخاص اثنان منهم أمريكيان وآخر عربي ورجل أمن . وبعد ذلك قام المجاهدون بربط جثة أحد الأمريكيين وسحل جثته في شوارع المدينة .

ثم انتقل المجاهدون إلى موقع آخر وهو مقر شركة (البكروب) وأثناء توجيههم إليها صادفوا كتيبة من القوات السلوفينية الذين تم دحرهم بجهد الله وقتل منهم اثنان وجرح ثالث . وفي مقر الشركة قتل المجاهدون مديرها المالي وهو بريطاني الجنسية واثنين من الموظفين القسبيين النصارى .

ثم انتقل المجاهدون إلى الموقع الثالث: مجمع مع المصانع (مجمع الواحة) وهو مجمع يقطن فيه أفراد القوات الأمريكية الخبنة وكبار موظفي شركات الاحتلال الأمريكي واستطاع المجاهدون تصفية الحراسات الموجودة حول الموقع وقتل سائق (البس) وحامل الرشاش (عيسار حسين) ثم دخل المجاهدون المجمع ومشطوا المنطقة وقتلوا عدداً من الغربيين من بينهم أمريكي . وفي أحد الفنادق احتجزوا عدداً من الغربيين وقتلواهم من بينهم إيطالي وسويدي ثم تحرروا . بعدما وجه الإيطالي رسالة إلى العامير عبر قناة الجزيرة الفضائية . كما قتل عشرة جنود من عباد البقر قبيلة إخواننا المسلمين في كشير وهم من المهندسين العاملين في الشركات النفطية .

وفي هذه الأثناء حاولت القوات السلوفينية القيام المي الذي يوجد به المجاهدون وحصد المجاهدون حوهم مرتين وأصيب الضابط قائد عملية الإفحام وعدد من جنوده بساغرأف النظام السلوفيني المرتد .

وبعد ذلك استطاع المجاهدون - بحمد الله - الاستحباب من الموقع رغم الطرق الأمني المشدد . والاحتياز إلى أماكن آمنة بعد أن استشهد - ياذن الله - أحد الأبطال وهو المجاهد (عمر بن سهاج البقسي) - وفق الله درجته في عشرين - والذي فدى إخوانه بنفسه وعرض نفسه للشهادة تسهيلاً لفهمة إخوانه والبطولة عليهم . هذا وقد شارك في الهجوم أحد المطلوبين السنة والعشرين . وسجلت وقائع العملية صوتياً وسينمياً من هذا التسجيل في وقت لاحق إن شاء الله تعالى . واستمرت العملية المباركة لمدة يوم كامل مبيت فيه قوات آل سلول هزيمة نكراء ، والله الحمد .

والجدير بالذكر أن المجاهدين كانوا حريصين جداً على دعاء المسلمين حيث كانوا يمجرون بينهم وبين الصليبيين الكفار وقد أخذوا سبيل هؤلاء المسلمين وأخرجوهم من منطقة القتال ، خلافاً لما تقوم به قوات الحكومة المرددة من الرمي العشوائي وفي كل اتجاه دون مراعاة أو تمييز .

ونبه إلى زيف ادعاءات الإعلام السلوفى وأن فواقهم حررت دهان من المجمع أو أنها قبضت على أحد من المجاهدين فكذب ذلك كذب لا أساس له من الصحة . ولم يقدر هؤلاء الجبناء على دخول المجمع إلا بعد خروج المجاهدين منه . ولم يبق المجاهدون على أحد من الرهائن حياً بل تمت تصفية كسل من وقع في أيديهم من الكفار والصليبيين .

وأنا بحمد الله كثيراً على هذه العملية النوعية المباركة . ويجدد عزمنا على دحر قوات الصليب والظافوت . وتجرب أرض المسلمين . وإقامة شرع الله وتطبيق أوامره . وتطهير جزيرة العرب من الشركين . وأما حكومة آل سلول فننشر بعينها الإمبراطورية الفاشلة . وقواتها الميمنة المدججة التي قصصها الله على رؤوس الغائلين وهزمها شر هزيمة رغم قوة عدد المجاهدين وعدتهم . حيث وقف الآلاف من جنود الطافوت المدججين بأنواع الأسلحة الخفيفة والثقيلة . تسدعهم الطائرات العمودية . والمدافع والمصفحات . من كافة القطاعات (الجيش والحرس الوطني . وقوات الطوارئ . وقوات الأمن الخاصة . والشرطة . والمرور . والدفاع المدني وغيرها) وقف أولئك كنههم عاجزين أمام أربعة من المجاهدين فقط وبلدة يوم كامل ولكن كما قال تعالى (إن تشرروا الله ينصركم ويثبت أقدامكم) والله غالب على أمره ولكن أكثر الناس لا يعلمون .

تنظيم القاعدة في جزيرة العرب

- On 30 May 2004, the al-Quds Company of al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula claimed responsibility for the Oasis Compound hostage-taking in al-Khobar on 29 May. The two images above are of the statement.

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Subject: al-Quds (Jerusalem) Brigade Operation

Date: 11/4/1425H [Corresponding to 31 May 2004 but was released 30 May 2004]

The 11th news report concerning the details of al-Quds Company operation

God almighty said {You the believers, if you defend god, god will make you win and will enforce your steadfastness. The unbelievers will be miserable and god will cause them to be devious.}

Subsequent to what we have reported earlier on the blessed al-Quds Brigade raid, we would like to clarify the following facts:

The blessed raid in the city of al-Khobar started yesterday Saturday [29 May 2004] when four of al-Mujahideen attacked and entered the office building of “Petroleum Center” company which belongs to the occupational American company “Haliburton” that was mentioned by Sheikh Osama (OBL) in his speech before the last one. He mentioned its role in the American project to occupy the Muslim lands.

At this office building, al-Mujahideen killed four people, two were Americans, one Westerner and the other was a security officer. Afterward, al-Mujahideen tied up the body of one of the Americans and dragged it in the city streets.

Al-Mujahideen then moved on to another location, the offices of “Abicorp” company. On their way, they faced a trap by the Saluli [Saudi] Forces but they were able to beat them. We killed two of them and wounded a third. Inside the building, Al-Mujahideen killed its British manager and two Filipino Christian employees.

Al-Mujahideen then moved to the third location, Maan al-Saegh compound (al-Waha compoun). Members of the occupying American Forces and executives from the

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occupying American companies live on this compound. Al-Mujahideen were able to eliminate the security around the location, killed the driver of a Hummer and the operator of a (.50-caliber) machinegun. Al-Mujahideen then entered the compound and searched it, they killed several westerners including an American. They took several westerners as hostages in one of the hotels and then killed them, among them were one Italian and a Swedish who were killed after the Italian made an announcement to the world through al-Jazeera satellite channel. In addition, 10 Indian engineers employed by oil companies who worship cows and killed our brothers in Kashmir were killed.

During this period, the Saluli [Saudi] forces tried to enter the building where al-Mujahideen were but were repulsed twice. The apostate Saluli [Saudi] regime admitted to the loss of the officer in charge of the operation and a number of his soldiers. Despite the strict security shield, al-Mujahideen were able to withdraw from the location to a safe one, praise to god. One hero (Nimr bin Suhaj al-Bukami) was martyred, God bless him further. He sacrificed himself to facilitate the operation and to protect his brothers. One listed on the "26 Wanted List" was part of this operation. We audio recorded the operation and we will soon release and distribute part of the recordings, God's willing. The blessed operation lasted for a whole day and the Salule [Saudi] forces received a severe defeat, thanks to god.

It's worth noting that al-Mujahideen were very careful not to spoil Muslim blood. They differentiated between Muslims and the infidel crusaders, they let Muslims go and led them away from the fighting area in contrast to the renegade government forces who were shooting indiscriminately everywhere.

We would like to pay your attention to the false claims made by the government's media that their forces have freed the hostages in the compound and arrested one of the al-Mujahideen that all these claims are lies and untrue. Those cowards could not enter the compound till after al-Mujahideen left it. Al-Mujahideen did not leave any hostages alive, they killed every infidel and crusader they were able to reach.

We thank God very much for this exceptional blessed operation. We renew our commitment to defeat the forces of the cross and the oppressor and to liberate the land of

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Muslims and to live under God's rule and implement his orders and purify the Arabian Peninsula from the polytheists.

Let the Salule [Saudi] government celebrate their failed show off operations and their weak defeated forces which god has embarrassed all over and made it lose despite the smaller and less armed force of al-Mujahideen. Thousands of the oppressive government forces from the army, National Guard, emergency forces, special security forces, police, traffic, civil defense and others with various light and heavy weapons and supported by helicopters and armored vehicles and for a whole day were not able to defeat four mujahideen.

God said: If you fight for God, God will make you win and will enforce your steadfastness. God is capable and knows what he wants but most people don't.

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THREAT BY AL-QAEDA IN THE ARABIAN PENINSULA ON 6 JUN. 2004




الموضوع : التحذير من مخالطة الصليبيين
 التاريخ : ١٨ / ٤ / ١٤٢٥ هـ

بيان بشأن تحذير المسلمين من مخالطة الصليبيين والمشركيين

الحمد لله، والصلاة والسلام على رسول الله، نبينا محمد وعلى آله وصحبه ومن والاه، أما بعد:

فإننا نبذد ندانا واندبرنا لإخواننا المسلمين، عذرين من مخالطة الصليبيين مسر الأمريكيين والعربيين وسائر المشركين في جزيرة العرب، وعلى المسلمين مُقاربتهم ومُراقبتهم في أسواقهم وسكنتهم ومعتابهم، وفي تَقْلِيمِهم ووسائل مواصلاتهم بكنة أشكائنا وصورتها، قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: "أنا بريء من أقام بين ظهري المشركين، لا تراهي ناراً لها"، فلا بين أحسب من إخواننا المسلمين على نفسه، ويُعين على فقه مخالطة هذا العدو الذي لا يأمن قلبه، ولا حيسار شريكه سوى شجاره واستنصاله.

وسيكون كلُّ ما انصُرَّ هؤلاء الصليبيين من تحمعات وفواعل ووسائل تُفْسِلُ ، وإفانصبة شركات الطيران العربية والأمريكية ، هذفاً ماضراً لعمليتنا القادمة بعون الله وتوفيقه، في مسرورة الجهاد التي لن تنتن عنها بلاد الله، وفي الفترة المُقْلطة القريبة على وجه الخصوص.

ومن توكده وتكرره هذا البيان، براءةً للذمة، وضيحةً للكم، وحرصاً على دماء إخواننا المسلمين الذين ما حرحوا إلا للدفاع عنهم وعن دينهم وأعراضهم وديارهم، وأُبرئ دُمتنا من عتسى أمر الله، واستمرأ مخالفة شرع الله، واستمرأ في مُسَاكنة أعداء الله، فطاعة شوم الصليبيين الذين ساكنهم فأصابه ما أصابهم.

كما نبذد التحذير لأفراد الأمن، وحراس المصمات الصليبية والقواعد الأمريكية، وجمع مسن وقف في صعد أمريكا وصالاتها، وظاهرها على المُجاهدين، وحمل سلاحاً في سبيل اللُدود عنها وعن عمالاتها من طواغيت الحكومة السعودية وغيرها، وكل من اختار ولاية الكافرين على ولاية المؤمنين اللُوحدين، وندمهم إلى التوبة الصوبح بما فيه، ومُفارقة المشركين وعداوتهم وحيادهم بالنال واللسان واللسان.

نسأل الله جلَّتْ قُدرته، أن يصر دينه، ويُعلي كلمته، ويحك من أعدائه، والله حسناً وبعم الوكيل، والعاقبة للمتقين، ولا عدوان إلا على الظالمين، وآخر دعوانا أن الحمد لله رب العالمين.

تنظيم القاعدة في جزيرة العرب

- On 6 June 2004, al-Qaeda's organization in the Arabian Peninsula released a 1-page written statement, pictured above, entitled "Notice in Regard to Warning the Muslims from the Crusaders and Heretics". The statement was signed "al-Qaeda on the Arabian Peninsula".

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18/4/1425 H [corresponding to 6 June 2004]

Notice in regard to warning of the Muslims from the Community of Crusaders and Heretics

Praise be to Allah and may the prayers and the peace be upon Allah's Prophet, our messenger Mohammed and upon his family and upon his companions and his loyalists and so forth:

Verily we renew our call and our warning to our brother Muslims, warned about the community of Crusaders from the Americans and the westerners and the heretics in the Arabian Peninsula [Island of the Arabs]. And the Muslims must divide and cleanse them in homes, their housing areas [compounds], their associations [places where they gather], and in their means of transportation and communications in all their forms, and their pictures. The Allah - pray to Allah upon his sake and safety - said "I have nothing to do with those who stand among the heretics [sinners], and you cannot envision their fires [they will receive in hell]. Let not one of our Muslim brothers be himself transfixed by them, and be appointed to kill in the community of this enemy which must be killed, and there is no righteous choice not to wage war against them

And every special thing to these crusaders from their communities, their bases, and means of transport, especially the western and American aviation companies [airlines], will be a direct target for our coming operations, by Allah's support and his victory, in the path of jihad, which will not falter, by Allah's will, in the near future.

And we are reaffirming and repeating this notice and our calls and our advice to our Muslim brothers, in consideration of the blood of our brothers who have not left us except in their defense and defense of their religion, their dignity, and their world. And we urge them not to mingle with the American and Western crusaders and the rest of the infidels in the Arabian Peninsula. And the Muslims should stay away from visiting them

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in their homes and compounds and avoid using all shapes and forms of transportation used by them. For those Muslims who do not abide by this, they will suffer the same injury as do the crusaders. And there is no other legal choice in but fighting them and disrupting them.

And also we renew the warning to individuals of the security forces and guards of the crusader compounds and the American bases and all those who stand in ranks with America, its agents, opponents of the mujahideen, and those who carry weapons in their defense on behalf of the crusaders and the agents of the tyrants of the Saudi government and others, and all who choose the faith of the infidels over the faith of the unified believers, and we call on them to repent and separate themselves from the heretics and their habits and their pursuit of wealth and their speech and their ways."

We beseech Allah, exalted is His power and may His religion be victorious, and raise His word and be repeated, and Allah has counted us and deputized us, and conferred the outcome to the righteous, and there is no hostility except against oppression, and our last call is verily the praise be to Allah, Lord of the Worlds.

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13TH COMMUNIQUE

الموضوع: مقتل واعتقال أمريكيين.
التاريخ: 1425/4/24 هـ
صوت الجهاد
صوت المجاهدين في جزيرة العرب

التقرير الإخباري الثالث عشر بشأن الاختطاف بمسدس إيران أميركيه ومقتل آخر

الحمد لله وحده ، نصر حده ، وأمر حده ، وهزم الأعداء وحده ، أما بعد :

ففضل من الله أن تمكن مجاهدي جزيرة العرب في (سرية الفوجدة) من احتطاف جنج أمريكي تسرياً الشبان في هذا اليوم السبت الرابع والعشرين من شهر ربيع الثاني واسم الشخص (بسول حرج مارشال) من مواليد عام 1955 م ويعمل مهندس تطوير نظم مسارات الأباتشي (AH-64) وهو أحد أربعة مهندسين كبار متخصصين في صيانة طاقم مدار عمل هذه الطائرات في جزيرة العرب ، ولا ينبغي أن هذه الطائرات تلكا استخدامها الأمريكية وحساباتهم الشخصية والرقوم في ظل المسلمين وبرههم ولتبرهم في فلسطين والعراق.

والمجاهدون في جزيرة العرب استطاعوا بأعلى الشري في القناتة بأن اقتنوا قسماً عليه الأمريكية وأموالاً في غولتنس وأوروبا وعن الظروف الشرعية ، وسنذكر - سنذكر الله - مهنياً مهنياً للشخصيات بدل في باحزانه وبيانه الشخصية ، ونوضح لمن في مطالب المجاهدين .

ولقد تمكن المجاهدون في نفس العملية من قتل أمريكي آخر يحمل مدركاً في نفس القطاع العسكري الذي يعمل فيه المختطف ، بعد أن رسده المجاهدون ثم قتلوه في مقر داره .

هذا وإننا لا نزل من تكرار حرماننا وتصيبنا على النفس عندما في حرب الجهاد والفره ، وعلى الانتصار للمسلمين المستضعفين في فلسطين والعراق والعراق والباكستان وكوبا وفي كل مكان . كما إننا لا نستمرنا في الجهاد من لا يكون لله ويكون الناس كله لله . والله غالب على أمره ولكن أكثر الناس لا يشعرون .



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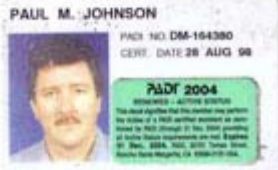
تنظيم القاعدة في جزيرة العرب



بطاقة عمل الخاطف الأمريكي .



صورة الخاطف



بعض البطاقات التي وجدت مع الخاطف

• On 13 June 2004, al-Qaeda's organization in the Arabian Peninsula released a 2-page written statement, pictured above, entitled "The 13th news report in regard to the kidnapping of an American aviation engineer and the killing of another". The statement was signed "al-Qaeda on the Arabian Peninsula". In the statement, al-Qaeda claims responsibility for the kidnapping of American Paul M. Johnson Jr, an employee of Lockheed-Martin, and the killing the same day of American Kenneth Scroggs.

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24/4/1425 H [corresponding to 13 June 2004]

Subject: Fighting and Kidnapping of an American

The 13th news report in regard to the kidnapping of an American aviation engineer and the killing of another

Praise be to the one Allah, the victory to His followers, and glory to His soldiers, and His sole defeat of parties, and afterward:

By the grace of Allah, the mujahideen of the Arabian Peninsula in the Falluja Company were able to successfully kidnap an American of the Christian religion this Saturday, 24 day of the month Rabia³ al-Thanii, and the name of the kidnapped person is (Paul George Marshall) [sic; as written], born in 1955 CE and he works as a systems development engineer for the Apache aircraft system (AH-64), and he is one of the senior engineer managers specialized in their field of work on this aircraft in the Arabian Peninsula. And this aircraft is used by the Americans, their Zionist allies, and the heretics in their killing of the Moslems and frightening and displacing them in Palestine and Afghanistan and Iraq.

And the mujahideen in the Arabian Peninsula committed their legal right in treatment of the Americans as they had treated our brothers in Guantanamo and Abu Ghuraib according to the legal order, and we will distribute – by Allah’s permission – a video of the kidnapped person which shows his confession and personal declarations, and we will clarify in them the demands of the mujahideen.

And the mujahideen were able in the same operation to kill another American who was working as a manager in the same military sector in which the kidnapped person worked. The mujahideen had observed him closely and then killed him inside his own house.

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Indeed, we do not weary in repeat our resolute determination and our design in the coming success in the path of jihad and honor and on the victory of the oppressed Muslims in Palestine and Iraq and Afghanistan and Cuba and in every place, also we confirm our continuation in jihad until there is no disorder and the religion all of it to Allah and Allah is supreme in His decree, but which many people do not know. [latter portion of this paragraph is customary religious closing].

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SPECIAL COMMUNIQUE



- On 15 June 2004, al-Qaeda's organization in the Arabian Peninsula released a 1-page written statement, pictured above, entitled "Special Communiqué in regard to the American prisoner Paul Marshall Johnson and conditions of his release". The statement was signed "al-Qaeda on the Arabian Peninsula". In the statement, al-Qaeda gave Saudi security forces 72 hours to comply with their demands or they would behead American Paul M. Johnson Jr, an employee of Lockheed-Martin, on 18 Jun.

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Special Communiqué in regard to the American prisoner Paul Marshall Johnson and conditions of his release

{If you meet the non-believers, slit their throats until they are massacred and tighten the shackles so they die quickly as an act of grace and sacrifice the war is ended} [-- The Glorious Quran]

Praise be to Allah the unity and victory to His supporters and glory to His soldiers and defeat unto the opposing parties, and afterward,

By the favor of Allah, the mujahideen of al-Qaeda Organization in the Arabian Peninsula (the al-Quds Company) were able to strike the team of engineers supervising development of the American Apache aircraft system, which has burned the Muslims in Palestine and Afghanistan with its fire, and the al-Falluja Company was able to kill the manager of the team and to capture one of the team's engineers, and his name is (Paul Marshall Johnson), and if the oppressors of the Saudi government desire the release of the American prisoner, then let them release our mujahideen brothers who are detained in the prisons in al-Ha'ir, al-Ruwais and Oliisha during 72 hours from the date of this communiqué (from 24 Rabi3 al-Akhir 1425 until 30 Rabi3 al-Akhir 1425 [Hegira], corresponding to 15 / 6 / 2004 until Friday, 18/ 6/ 2004 CE) and unless that, we will approach Allah by shedding his blood as revenge for our Muslim brothers, who have shed their blood freely in every place, and this craven person will be followed – if Allah allows – by rivers of blood of the Crusaders, which will pour on the ground of the Arabian Peninsula in this blessed year, and may Allah, by His might and His power, enable the mujahideen to prevail over the enemies of the religion by killing one group and taking the other group captive.

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To our oppressed Muslim brothers in the east and the west, we have sworn the oath that we support you with our spirits and our worldly goods, and we will not disappoint you, oh Allah Almighty, and we will teach the traitorous oppressors who assist the Americans against you and participated with them in spilling your bloodshed unlike the Muslims in the land of the Two Holy Places [Saudi Arabia]. Rather, they are our enemies as they are your enemies, and they are enemies of Allah and His Messenger and of the believers [Muslims], and to Allah be the glory and to His Messenger and to the believers, but the hypocrites do not understand.

al-Qaeda Organization in the Arabian Peninsula

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14TH COMMUNIQUE

الموضوع: مقتل الأمريكي بول مارشال،
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صوت الجهاد
صوت المجاهدين في جزيرة العرب

التقرير الإخباري الرابع عشر بشأن نحر الأسير الأمريكي بول مارشال

قال الله تعالى: ﴿ فَإِنَّمَا تَنفِقُهُمْ فِي الْحَرْبِ فَتَرَدُّ بِهَيْمٍ مِّنْ خَلْقِهِمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴾
الحمد لله ، والصلاة والسلام على رسول الله ، نبينا محمد وعلى آله وصحبه ومن والاه ، أما بعد :
فتبليغاً لما تم الوعد به قام المجاهدون من (سرية الفلوجة) بنحر الأسير الأمريكي (بول مارشال)
بعد انتهاء المهلة التي حددتها المهادنون لطوائف الحكومة السعودية ، ليلقي هذا العلع حصاره العساق في
الدينا قبل الآخرة وليدوق شيئاً مما دانه المسلمون الذين طامأ صلتهم طائرات الأباتشي الأمريكية بلبسها ،
وعذبتهم بتسميتها وصورتها ، تلك الطائرات التي كان العلع الأمريكي القليل رابع أربعة بستروفون علس
صياستها وتطور نظمها الإلكترونية في بلاد الحرمين .
وإن بعون الله ماضون على هذا الطريق في قتال أعداء الله تعالى ونقعد اسم كلّ مرصد بور مسن
كتاب الله وسنة رسوله صلى الله عليه وسلم ، لنشفي صدور المؤمنين في فلسطين وأفغانستان والمصري
وحريرة العرب وغير ذلك من بلاد الإسلام ، ولندل عساكر الشرك والكفر حين تقوم دولة الشريعة والعدل
والوحد ، غير ملتفتين في سونا إلى تبادل المحلّين وتبع الخاتين من كشفه الله مثل هذه الواقعة فسارتع
صوته غضباً لأسر نصرا عسكري وقتله في الوقت الذي حسن فيه ونحن عن قول كلمة برئ فيها دمسه
ويتصر فيها للمستضعفين من المسلمين الأمازي والمغدين في أيدي عباد الصاب والظوايف في أوروبا
والخاير وفونتانمو والرويس وغيرها .
وأما الأمريكان ومن الالهم من أهل الكفر والإحرام المتحالقين على حرب الإسلام فإن في هذا
العمل نكالا لهم وعرة ليوافوا أن من قدم بلادنا منهم فسكون هذا الخراء الرادع معصوه ، والله الهادي إلى
سواء السيل .

تنظيم القاعدة في جزيرة العرب



- On 19 Jun. 2004, al-Qaeda's organization in the Arabian Peninsula released a 1-page written statement, pictured above, entitled "The 14th News Communiqué in regard to the execution of the American prisoner Paul Marshall". The statement was signed "al-Qaeda on the Arabian Peninsula" and contained three pictures of American Paul M. Johnson Jr, an employee of Lockheed-Martin, beheaded.

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The 14th News Communiqué in regard to the execution of the American prisoner Paul Marshall

Said Allah the al-Mighty: (For if you meet them in battle, frighten them away from their allies so they will remember) [Evocation from al-Quran al-Majid]

Praise be to Allah and the prayer and the peace be upon His messenger our prophet Mohammed and upon his kin and his supporters and his loyalists, and afterward:

Pursuant to what had been appointed, the mujahideen (al-Falluja Company) did the execution of the American prisoner (Paul Marshall) [sic] after the end of the interval period which the mujahideen specified to the tyrants of the Saudi government, and this despicable person will receive his portion of justice in the other life hereafter and let him taste something of what the Muslims have tasted who have likewise suffered under the American Apache aircraft from their fire and suffering from their bullets and rockets, and these are the aircraft which the despicable killed American person was the fourth of four who supervised the maintenance of the aircraft and development of their electronic systems in the land of the Two Holy Places [Saudi Arabia].

And we are – by the will of Allah – continuing on this way in killing the enemies of Allah the Supreme, and we reserve for them with the fire from the book of Allah and Sunnah [the prescribed correct path of behavior for Muslims] and Allah's Prophet – pray to Allah on the Prophet's behalf and peace be unto him – and let us heal the hearts of the faithful [Muslims] in Palestine and Afghanistan and Iraq and the Arabian Peninsula and otherwise in the countries of al-Islam, and to debase the soldiers of apostasy and heresy until there stands a state of legitimacy and justice and the unity, not deviating in our path until defeat of the defeated ones, and we impede the failed ones by those who Allah finds exemplary of this reality, for Allah raised his angry voice about an American Nazarene

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[Christian] prisoner and killed him in the time which was predisposed for him. And to shrink from saying the word of protective mercy and within the word the oppressed of the Muslims imprisoned and tormented in the hands of the servants of the cross and the tyrants in Abu Ghraib and al-Hair and Guantanamo and al-Ruwais and others.

And to the Americans and their loyal allies from the world of heresy and criminality who are allied in their war against al-Islam, verily this action is a punishment to them, and for those who step a foot in our country, this decisive impediment will be his fate, and Allah is the guide to the proper path.

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صوت الجهاد
صوت المجاهدين في جزيرة العرب

التقرير الإخباري الخامس عشر بشأن استشهاد القائد أبي هاجر المقرن وأخواته

الحمد لله الصمود على كل حال وفي كل حين، والصلاة والسلام على حاتم النبيين وإمام المجاهدين، أما بعد:

﴿هَذَا بَيِّنَاتٌ لِّقَوْمٍ وَعَدَىٰ وَتَوَاطَىٰ لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ ﴿١٥٥﴾ وَلَا يُهَيَّبُوا وَلَا تَخْزَنُوا وَآتَيْتُمُ الْإِخْلَاقَ إِن كُنتُمْ مُسْلِمِينَ ﴿١٥٦﴾ إِن يُسْئَلُكُمْ فَرِيحٌ قَدْرًا فَارْحَبُوا فَهِنَّ لِلَّهِ وَمَعْلَمٌ لِّأَيِّمٍ لِّدَاوِلَهَا نَبَأُ النَّاسِ وَتَعْلَمُ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَيَتَّخِذُ مِنكُمْ شُهَدَاءَ وَاللَّهُ لَا يُحِبُّ الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿١٥٧﴾ وَتَسْتَفْتِنُ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَيَتَّخِذُ الْكَاذِبِينَ﴾.

استشهد يوم الجمعة ٢٤ جمادى الأولى كل من القائد المُجاهد عبد العزيز بن عيسى المقرن، والمجاهد فيصل بن عبد الرحمن الدخيل، والمجاهد إبراهيم بن عبد الله التريهم، والمجاهد تركي بن فهد المطري، وذلك في كمين نفسه قسم حدود الطواغيت بني المثل في الرياض، حيث ماذروا بإطلاق النار على المجاهدين من الأسلحة المختلفة بصورة مفاجئة أدت إلى مقتلهم ورحمهم الله، وثأب الله وثأب إليه راجعون، اللهم أجرنا في مصيبتنا وأحلف لنا حوزًا منها.

وهذه سنة الله عز وجل التي لا تتبدل من إرادة المؤمنين يومًا والإدلة عليهم يومًا، حتى يكتب الله النصر من عندده، وقد حرم المسلمون في أسد الخندق ومعركة الجسر وكثر فيهم القتل والجرحات ﴿فَمَا وَهَدُوا لَنَا أَن نَّحِبَهُمْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَمَا حَتَفُوا وَمَا أَسْتَكَاوُوا وَاللَّهُ يُحِبُّ الصَّابِرِينَ ﴿١٥٨﴾ وَمَا كَانَ قَوْلَهُمْ إِذْ أَن قَالُوا رَبَّنَا اغْفِرْ لَنَا ذُنُوبَنَا وَإِنْرَاقًا فِي أَعْقَابِنَا وَتَجَنَّبْ أَعْقَابَنَا وَاصْرِفْنَا إِلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ﴾.

ولم يكن القائد أبو هاجر عبد العزيز بن عيسى المقرن رحمه الله بعيدًا عن الشهادة ولا إحوالها، ولم ينتسب في بيته أو يتوقف عن العمل منذ أنشأ اسمه أول مرة، بل استمر في جهاده أشد مع الطغوات وبصره مُدًا في الصف الأول حاميًا إخوانه بصدره وبنده، وما لقي ربه إلا بعد أن أمضى رحال صدق من المجاهدين، يقومون مقامه ويؤبونه في جهاده، قد أبهى الله خم ما يسبوه أميركا وعيالها من الطواغيت بإذن الله، وقد أخذوا على عاتقهم النار للشرعة المعلنة، ودماء المسلمين المُستباحة، ودماء المجاهدين المُهترجة.

والمجاهدون في جزيرة العرب ماضون على ما عاهدوا الله عليه من الجهاد في سبيله حتى يتلوا إحدى الحسنيين، وليس يؤمن عزائمهم مقتل من قُتل من إخوانهم، بل إن ذلك لَمَّا يريدون ثباتًا وعزيمة ومضيًا على الدرب يقول الله وتوفيقه، ومن كان بعد القائد عبد العزيز المقرن فإنه قد لقي ربه، ومن كان بعد الله ويُجاهد في سبيله فإنَّ الله حيٌّ لا يموت.

علما بأنه لم يصدر عن المجاهدين أي بيان متعلق بالحادثة قبل هذا البيان، وما أُتبع مسوؤا إلى المجاهدين من نفي لقتل عبد العزيز المقرن لا أساس له من الصحة ولا يُعرف مصدره، وقد بلغ المجاهدين خبر استشهادهم ومن معه حسال الساعات الأولى لقتله فخر الله له ورحمه وأسكنه حسنة، وأمر دعواتنا أن الحمد لله رب العالمين، والصلاة والسلام على أنسرف المرسلين.

تنظيم القاعدة في جزيرة العرب

ملاحظة: المزيد من التفاصيل والإصدارات تجدونها في العدد التاسع عشر من مجلة صوت المجاهدين التي نشر على موقع صوت الجهاد

- On 19 Jun. 2004, al-Qaeda's organization in the Arabian Peninsula released a 1-page written statement, pictured above, entitled "The 15th News Communiqué concerning the martyrdom of Abu Hajir al-Muqrin". The statement was signed "al-Qaeda on the Arabian Peninsula". It confirmed the death of the leader of al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula, Abdul Aziz al-Muqrin (a.k.a. Abu Hajir).

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The 15th News Communiqué concerning the martyrdom of Abu Hajir al-Muqrin

Thanks to god for everything and at all times. Prayers and peace upon the last of the prophets and the imam of the mujahideen.

"This is to show the people and to advise the believers. Don't feel weak or sad, you are the winners if you are believers. If you are injured, the whole population is injured just like you are. Those who believe should know that God will take some of them as martyrs and God does not like the oppressors. God will test the believers and will destroy the infidels." [Verses from the Koran]

On Friday, the first of the month of Jamadi Awal, the leader and mujahid Abdulaziz bin Issa al-Muqrin, al-mujahid Faisal bin Abdulrahman al-Dakheel, al-mujahid Ibrahim bin Abdullah al-Draihim and al-mujahid Turki bin Fhaid al-Mutairi were killed by a trap set by the soldiers of the tyrants in the Malaz area of Riyadh. Suddenly, the soldiers started shooting at the mujahideen using various weapons that caused their death, God bless their souls. We are for God and to God we return. God help us in our trouble and replace them with better ones.

This is God's will which cannot be changed "praise to him". He gives the believers triumph on one day and replaces them on another until he gives them victory. Muslims have lost the battles of Ohud, al-Khandaq and al-Jisr and too many of them have been killed and wounded.

"They never felt weak or afraid because of what they have suffered for the sake of God. God loves those who are patient. All what they have said is God forgive our sins and strengthen us and give us victory over the infidels." [Verses from the Koran]

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The leader, al-mujahid and his brothers, God bless their souls, did not shy away from martyrdom. He never hid in his home or stopped working since his name was advertised the first time but he kept fighting on the front lines under the eyes and ears of the tyrants protecting his brothers with his chest and hands. He met God after he prepared other honest men from the mujahideen to replace him. God kept in them the will to hurt America and its tyrant agents "god willing". They have accepted their duty to revenge for the banned Sharia law, the proscribe Muslim blood and to the blood of the mujahideen.

The mujahideen in the Arabian Peninsula will continue what they have promised God, to keep fighting till they get one of the two fortunes (martyrdom or victory). The killing of their brothers will not make them weaker but to the contrary it will make them stronger and more steadfast to pursue the course. Those who worshiped their leader Abdul Aziz al-Muqrin, he has met God and those who worshiped God and fought for his sake, God is alive and never dies.

The mujahideen did not issue any bulletins prior to this one concerning this incident. Whatever was published denying the killing of Abdul Aziz al-Muqrin is not true and has nothing to do with the mujahideen and we don't know the source of it. The mujahideen found out in the early hours about his martyrdom and others with him "God bless his soul and place him in his heavens". Our prayer is to thank God, the lord of the universe. Prayers and peace upon the most noble of the messenger.

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JUSTIFICATION FOR JOHNSON KIDNAPPING BY ABDUL AZIZ AL-MUQRIN



- In the 19th issue of *Sawt al-Jihad*, which was released on 19 Jun. 2004, an article written by Abdul Aziz al-Muqrin justifying the Johnson kidnapping appeared. The release of the 19th issue came within a day of al-Muqrin's death. The cover of the issue is pictured above. A complete translation of this article will appear in a future release of this report.

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AL-QAEDA ARTICLE ON JOHNSON KIDNAPPING



- In the 19th issue of *Sawt al-Jihad*, which was released on 19 Jun. 2004, an article explaining how the Johnson kidnapping operation was executed appeared. The cover of the issue is pictured above.
- Below is a complete translation of the article.

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The story of the American POW: Apache Engineer Paul Marshall “From POW to being killed”

Al-Mujahideen received accurate information on the presence of an American who could be a good target for a kidnapping operation. We found out that the kidnapped individual works as an engineering supervisor in developing the electronic systems on the American made Apache planes. He was with three others working as an engineering team to operate and maintain these planes at the military bases in the land of the two Holy Mosques. This worm has been working for 10 years serving the crusaders military forces in the land of the two Holy Mosques, participating directly on the war against Muslims. We will talk at the end of this report about the company and its functions.

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Once we received initial observatory information then the next stage of confirmation and follow-up started and then we drew the plans to execute the operation on Saturday 24/4/1425H before sunset. The plan required the use of Saudi police clothes and vehicles and other things. We set up a checkpoint at the service road on the south side of Airport Rd. next to the eastern fence of al-Imam Mohamad bin Saud University. Four cooperative individuals and loyal to their religion in the security apparatus donated the clothes and police vehicles, we ask God to reward them and help them to use their capabilities to serve Islam and al-Mujahideen.

When the target arrived at the checkpoint, he was stopped, arrested, drugged and then was taken in a private car to the kidnapping station. His car (Camry) was burnt by a locally made burning bomb (Molotov).

Saudi news media claimed, as they normally lie, that this car was a failed booby-trapped explosion. Al-Mujahideen issued the 13th news bulletin the same day that contained information about the kidnapping operation and the killing of another American military individual who was a manager for the kidnapped one. The report promised to photograph the kidnapped one and declare our demands which actually happened on Tuesday 27/4/1425 H. The hostage appeared on a videotape and he said his name and his profession in the military aeronautics. Al-Mujahideen declared that they would kill the hostage within 72 hours unless the Saudi government releases all the Muslim prisoners in its custody. The ignorant Saudi government declared through the Americanized Adel al-Jubair that it would not accept the mujahideen demands because it will not negotiate with the terrorists. It did not realize that al-Mujahideen do not negotiate with the tyrants and have no desire to do so except having their demands literally implemented. Upon the expiration of the time period given, al-Mujahideen implemented their promise and killed the hostage. A report was issued showing the photos of the hostage killed. Thanks to God.

The company that the hostage was working for is called the Advanced Electronic Corporation that was established in 1988 in the land of the two Mosques. It was established resembling the big American corporations. They act as if they don't represent

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the American government whom in fact they are the most important political and military decision-makers in the United State of America.

Based on that, the company has enough freedom to conclude contracts and deals with any country or any other global corporation. In fact, the company is used by the American military and companies cooperating with it and working freely and securely as colonizing cover within the land of the two Mosques.

American Boeing owns 50% of the Advanced Electronic Company capital. The company manufactures electronic boards for American Abrams tank. It manufactured so far over 20,000 electronic boards used by the tanks. The company also manufactures electronic parts for radars including jamming, early warning and air surveillance systems.

The company was awarded projects to implement radio telecommunication systems and more. It also manufactures electronic parts for the F-16 and F-6 planes, as well as parts for the laser directed missiles.

The company is considered one of the companies that run projects for the Department of Defense such as the Apache planes projects. It maintains its telescopes and the hostage Paul Marshall was in charge of this project. On one side, the company produces parts for the F-16 planes; its production for these parts has increased considerably after the American attack on Iraq. On the other side, the company provides continuous maintenance for the weapons used by the American military in its latest war against terrorism and uses the Arabian Peninsula as its headquarters and as a staging platform.

Advanced Electric Company deals with major customers, mainly the American Navy and several companies that are on top of the list of suppliers to the American Pentagon such as Lockheed Martin which this worm (hostage) functionally follows and several major American weapon companies such as Raytheon, Hughes, Northrop Grumman, McDonald Douglas and others.

The two worms, one killed and the other kidnapped were working as part of a group of four developing Apache planes systems which belong to the American Army in the

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Arabian Peninsula. God has blessed al-Mujahideen by killing the group manager (Kenneth Scrows) [Kenneth Scroggs].

The field commander of al-Mujahideen in the Arabian Peninsula Abdul Aziz al-Muqrin has offered the Saudi government to release the worm if they release all the mujahideen held in their prisons.

He gave the traitor government three days to declare its position otherwise al-Mujahideen will kill the hostage and that's what we did once the time period expired. We declared that in the 14th news bulletin that was published in this issue.

This operation is part of several operations targeting several crusaders in the Arabian Peninsula. It was started by the blessed Yanbu operation followed by al-Khobar operation and then several operations including an ambush of American officers in which an American Jew from Vinnell Corp was killed.

We also targeted two British spies specialized in terror information, one was killed and the other was critically wounded.

Al-Mujahideen in the Arabian Peninsula, God willing, are determined to go forward to liberate the Arabian Peninsula from the occupying Crusades. We will fight the enemies of God everywhere until God gives them one of the two graves (heaven on Martyrdom).

Praise to God the lord of the world.

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AL-QAEDA INTERVIEW WITH OASIS COMPOUND ATTACK COMMANDER



- In the 18th issue of *Sawt al-Jihad*, an interview with the commander of the Oasis Compound operation was published. The cover of the issue is pictured above.
- The below translation was done by MEMRI (<http://www.memri.org>). It will be replaced by a complete IntelCenter translation in a future release but in the interests of time and considering the importance of the piece, we decided to include this excerpted translation in the meantime.

MEMRI:

The 18th issue of the al-Qaeda-identified journal 'Sawt Al-Jihad' included an interview with Fawwaz bin Muhammad Al-Nashami, commander of the Al-Quds Brigade that took responsibility for the May 29 attack at Khobar, Saudi Arabia, in which 22 people were killed. The following are excerpts from the interview:

Planning the Operation

Sawt Al-Jihad: "Praise be to Allah ... and gratitude be to Him ... and prayer and peace upon him [the Prophet] who, when asked, 'What on the part of man makes the Lord happy?' answered, 'That he [the believer] should engage in face-to-face combat with the enemy while unarmored.'

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"With us today is the commander of the al-Quds Brigade, which carried out the unique qualitative operation in the eastern Arabian Peninsula [i.e. Saudi Arabia], so we can learn details about the operation and what took place during it. First, we want to welcome our brother, and ask him to review for us some of the preparations for this operation."

Al-Nashami: "By the name of Allah, and prayer and peace be upon the Prophet: May Allah bless you. At the battle of Khobar there was no choice but to carry out suicide operations. The brothers, may Allah preserve those who remain alive and receive those who were killed. All took into account that none would return, and that they would fight until they were killed and [thus] realize the idea of plunging themselves into the midst of the enemy. [They thought this] because of the strength of the targets and the tight security around them.

"In effect, the entire place was like [foreign] colonies, as if you were in a Western country, such that you can hardly walk 200 meters before encountering heavy firearms, Hummers, search points, arms, and armed troops.

"Allah be thanked, the brothers met and prepared the plan several days before [the operation]. After dawn prayers, they sat for the final review of the plan. While they were doing this, our brother Abu Hajar [the al-Qaeda commander in the Arabian Peninsula Abd Al-'Aziz Al-Muqrin] appointed me commander of the group. I was not qualified for this, but it was a trial from Allah. We met with the brothers and I explained to them the goals and plan of the operation, and I showed them the targets, and we reconnoitered, in addition to a previous reconnaissance, and we learned by heart the paths leading to the sites.

"On the day of the operation, we divided the final tasks. I was the driver of the car; our brother Nimr Al-Baqmi [who was killed in the operation], whom we ask Allah to receive, rode next to me; our brother Hussein was in the back, and our fourth brother Nader was behind Nimr. The car was a Maxima.

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"On the night of the operation I booby-trapped the car, and put explosives in it, because the third site, a residential compound, was the most fortified place in all of the eastern zone. The distance between it and the palace of [Prince Turki bin] Muhammad bin Fahd was only 500 meters, and it is known that this is the center of the greatest licentiousness and prostitution. [This area] is very big, and full of villas. This compound is named after [Abd Al-'Aziz] Al-Sani' [but] the truth is that it belongs to Muhammad bin Fahd and this is only a cover.

"Our plan was that when we finish with the first two places, that is, the two oil companies, we will go to the residential compound where the emergency forces will have gathered, and our decision was that I should go in [in the car] and blow up the car amongst them, so as to open the way for the brothers."

Sawt Al-Jihad: "How far was it between those two compounds?"

Al-Nashami: "The compounds were like I had never seen in my life. They are in the Golden Belt area, which is the most luxurious and wealthy area in the eastern district, and it is full of mansions, such that the Emir [of the] eastern [region] lives there. We even saw Marines in uniform going out from these compounds. The compound is some three kilometers by three kilometers, and has a number of gates, that is, it is an enormous expanse."

Sawt Al-Jihad: "And what about the companies?"

Al-Nashami: "The first company was the Arab Oil Investment Company. This is a company belonging to the American company Halliburton. It is involved in Iraq. It is called The Arab Oil Investment Company, but in effect this company is made up of a number of very large global oil companies."

The First Attack: 'We Tied the Infidel by One Leg [Behind the Car]... Everyone Watched the Infidel Being Dragged'

Sawt Al-Jihad: "How did you begin [the operation]?"

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Al-Nashami:"We left the apartment at precisely a quarter to six. We drew near the site, and we changed our clothes and belted on the ammunition pouches and weapons. We asked Allah to help us, and make things go easily for us.

"The company [compound] had two gates, and we went to the first. Our brother Nimr and the other brothers went and ordered the guard to open the gate. There was a man behind the gate and the fence. Two security personnel were outside the gate, and one was inside, and he was the one who could open [the gate]. [So] the brothers told him: 'Open the gate!' but he refused. The brothers wanted to break in, but he hid behind the counter.

"We were in a hurry, because we had to finish with this company, and go on to the other [company]. [So] we turned to the second main gate, broke through it, and finished dealing with the guards that were there.

"As soon as we entered, we encountered the car of a Briton, the investment director of the company, whom Allah had sent to his death. He is the one whose mobile phone on the seat of his car, with the blood on it, they kept showing [on television]. We left him in the street.

"We went out, and drove our car. We had tied the infidel by one leg [behind the car]. We left the company [compound] and met the patrols. The first to arrive was the jeep of a patrol, with one soldier, and we killed him. With the rest we exchanged fire, and we got through.

"Allah be thanked, we had learned more than one route to the second site. When the patrols blocked the way, [we] had no chance of returning by the same route, so we went another way – via the coast, and then via Khobar, that is, the Damam highway – a distance of four kilometers.

"The infidel's clothing was torn to shreds, and he was naked in the street. The street was full of people, as this was during work hours, and everyone watched the infidel being dragged, praise and gratitude be to Allah.

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"When we arrived at one of the bridges, we encountered an ambush of jeeps of the *Tawaghit* dogs [i.e. Saudi government troops] and the guards of the Americans, and we exchanged fire with them. When we crossed the bridge, the rope [by which the Briton was tied] snapped and the body of the infidel fell in the middle of the intersection, between the four stop signs, and everyone who was stopped at the stop signs saw the infidel on the day that he fell from the top of the bridge.

"The brothers had exchanged fire with the patrols, all the while shouting, 'Allah Akbar,' and 'There is no God but Allah.'"

The Second Attack: 'We Are Mujahideen, and We Want the Americans... We Shot Him In the Head... We Slit His Throat'

"Allah be thanked, we overran this ambush, and continued on our way to the second company, the Petroleum Center, which is also a compound with a number of companies. We arrived at the gate and got out of the car. Allah be thanked, the brothers were wonderfully calm and serene, as if they were on a hike.

"We entered and found youths from the Arabian Peninsula [i.e. Saudi Arabia] wearing the Aramco uniform. They asked, 'What is going on?' We told them, 'Calm down, don't be afraid, we don't want you. We want only the Americans.'

"The four of us entered the company together. We met the Arab clerks, and greeted them. We asked them: 'Where are the Americans?' They were all in shock, and said: 'What's going on? Who are you?' We told them, 'We are *Mujahideen*, and we want the Americans. We have not come to aim a weapon at the Muslims, but to purge the Arabian Peninsula, according to the will of our Prophet Muhammad, of the infidels and the polytheists who are killing our brothers in Afghanistan and Iraq. We want you to show us where they are.'

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"We turned to go upstairs. The building included a number of companies, and there were a number of doors. Each time we opened a door, we found a large hall, and in it several offices and a head office with a glass window.

"We entered one of the companies' [offices], and found there an American infidel who looked like a director of one of the companies. I went into his office and called him. When he turned to me, I shot him in the head, and his head exploded. We entered another office and found one infidel from South Africa, and our brother Hussein slit his throat. We asked Allah to accept [these acts of devotion] from us, and from him. This was the South African infidel.

"We went out from the company [offices] and found our brother, Nimr the hero, standing at the entrance to the company and guarding us, drinking a little water as though he were on a hike. [He acted this way] because of his great courage – may Allah have mercy on him.

"We left [the company] and drove in our car. We encountered forces that hastened to defend the Americans; perhaps some of them [were] from the Marines. We exchanged fire with them, which was our third engagement with them. Their great cowardice was evidenced by their behavior: They were very far away, and as we approached them they kept withdrawing and distancing themselves."

The Third Attack: 'Brother Nimr Cut Off His Head and Put It at the Gate of the Building... We Found Hindu Engineers and We Cut Their Throats Too'

"We turned to the third site, which was the most fortified center of all the compounds. Our plan was to remain in the car until we were alongside the American Hummer. When we were next to it, the brothers appeared from the windows [of the car] and began shouting 'Allah Akbar,' and shooting them. And I saw the skull of the soldier standing behind the machine gun explode before my eyes. Allah be praised. I think the driver was also killed.

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"It was our [original] plan to enter through the exit gate, and immediately upon entering I would blow up the car amongst them [the guards], while the brothers will go on to charge [into the compound].

"As soon as we arrived, we passed the Hummers and exchanged fire with them. At one of the gates, Allah brought to us a security guard, whom we had seen in the street. We ordered him to open the gate and thus we did not need to blow up the car.

"Brother Nimr swaggered around inside the compound. Then we drove on the main road inside the compound. The compound is very big indeed, and its area spreads out over a number of kilometers, and in it there are a number of compounds.

"We went to one of the buildings. Brother Nimr, may Allah's mercy be upon him, shoved the door until it opened. We entered and in front of us stood many people. We asked them their religion, and for identification documents. We used this time for *Da'wa* [preaching Islam], and for enlightening the people about our goal. We spoke with many of them.

"At the same time, we found a Swedish infidel. Brother Nimr cut off his head, and put it at the gate [of the building] so that it would be seen by all those entering and exiting.

"We continued in the search for the infidels, and we slit the throats of those we found among them. At the same time, we heard the sound of the patrols and the gathering [of the security personnel] outside. These cowards did not dare to enter. About 45 minutes or an hour had passed since the beginning of the operation.

"We began to comb the site looking for infidels. We found Filipino Christians. We cut their throats and dedicated them to our brothers the *Mujahideen* in the Philippines. [Likewise], we found Hindu engineers and we cut their throats too, Allah be praised. That same day, we purged Muhammad's land of many Christians and polytheists.

"Afterwards, we turned to the hotel. We entered and found a restaurant, where we ate breakfast and rested a while. Then we went up to the next floor, found several Hindu

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dogs, and cut their throats. I told the brothers to leave them on the stairs so the troops of the *Taghut* would see them when they burst in, and be terror-stricken. But it seems I thought too well of these cowards, because they did not enter [the hotel] until after we had left.

"We utilized the time for [teaching] the Koran to the Muslims who remained. We taught them how to read [*Surat*] *Al-Fatiha* properly. They were amazed by us, [and said], 'How are you able to do this in such an inflamed atmosphere?' Thanks be to Allah for enabling us to do so.

"The Indian Muslims told us that their manager was a vile Hindu who did not permit them to pray, and that he would arrive shortly. When [the manager] arrived, we verified his religion by means of his identifying documents, and we kept him with us for a short time.

"Then I phoned *Al-Jazeera television*, and they conducted an interview with us, that they did not release. I told them I was speaking with them from the compound, and that only the infidels were our targets.

"Then I went to one of the rooms, I watched the news on television, and I saw the news about the event on the screen. About five hours had passed since the beginning of the operation, and the news that was released was that the emergency forces 'were now breaking into the compound.' I split up the brothers to certain positions in the hotel, and we got ready to repel an attack by the dogs of the state if they broke in on us.

"At two o'clock, they broke in, headed by an officer. We saw them from our positions, and threw bombs at them. The officer was killed, Allah be thanked, and his soldiers were wounded. The soldiers screamed to their brothers in the rear: 'We want to leave, by Allah, take us out, get us out!' We were shouting, 'Allah Akbar' and 'Allah is our God. You have no god. Go to Hell and evil is your fate!'

"Nimr, may Allah have mercy upon him, told one of them: 'Come nearer, oh coward, come here!' But he fled from him.

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"They began heavy arms fire on the hotel and continued until the afternoon hours. At the same time, we slaughtered the vile Hindu who had prevented his employees from praying. We brought the Muslims up to the top floors so that the shooting and shelling of the emergency forces would not harm them. We remained downstairs, and we waited for these cowards.

"At the same time, brother Hussein was on the stairs and noticed an Italian infidel. He aimed his gun at him and told him to come closer. The infidel came closer. We saw his identifying documents and decided that he should call *Al-Jazeera* and talk to his people and send them a warning about the war of Islam and its people, and that afterwards we would cut his throat and dedicate him to the Italians who were fighting our brothers in Iraq and to the idiotic Italian president who wants to confront the lions of Islam.

"We called *Al-Jazeera* and I told the broadcaster to speak with him [i.e. the Italian]. The broadcaster asked me, 'Does he speak English?' I told the broadcaster, 'Do you have Italian translators?' He said, 'Yes,' and I said, 'Let him speak in his own language.'

"He [the Italian] spoke for several minutes. I asked the broadcaster, 'Did you record that?' He said, 'Yes,' and then the hero Nimr cut his throat."

Sawt Al-Jihad: "We ask Allah to accept this offering from your hands. What happened then?"

Al-Nashami: "All this time, we were ready and alert. One of the brothers suggested storming these cowards, for we had expected them for a long time, and they had not come. So we sought Allah's advice [on what to do]. After evening prayers, we sought Allah's advice a second time. After late evening prayers, we sought Allah's advice a third time.

"Strangely, we felt drowsy. Even more strangely, since the beginning of the operation in the morning, we had felt drowsy, and then we remembered the words of Allah: '[Allah] enveloped you in sleep, [granted to you] as tranquility from Him [Koran 8:11].'"

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The Escape

"After the late evening prayer, we reviewed the situation, and moved after 9:00 pm. We went out from the last place the enemy would expect, and Allah blinded their eyes from seeing us.

"We ascended above one of the artificial waterfalls which overlooked the road. The distance between us and the ground was very great, 13 meters. Around these waterfalls were big trees, and five meters beyond them were concrete barriers surrounding the compound.

"First, brother Hussein jumped. He threw down his ammunition bag, put his Kalashnikov on his back, tightened the strap, said 'In the Name of Allah,' and jumped. When he reached the ground, he lay stretched out, so one of the brothers thought he was killed. But with Allah's mercy, the ground was soft and wet, because of the waterfall. Thus, brother Hussein suffered no harm. We could hardly believe our eyes. We called to him, and he responded, saying he was hale and hearty. Then we knew for sure that this was a great miracle from Allah, because the height was great, 13 meters. Oh Allah, praise be to You!

"Afterwards brother Nader jumped, then I did, and after that brother Nimr, may Allah receive him."

Sawt Al-Jihad: "Allah Akbar... Allah be praised for this great miracle and favor. And now you are out in the street."

Al-Nashami: "Yes, we are now in the street and the trees prevent them from seeing us, and all the forces that gathered outside thought we were inside the hotel. The time was almost 10:30 at night, and we were very tired and felt drowsy. We decided to rest before attacking them. It was only a few meters' distance between us and them, but Allah in his mercy had diverted their glance to the hotel and prepared for us the giant trees that hid us from them. To start with, they did not expect, by even one percentile, that we would jump from this high wall.

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"The brothers slept for an hour, and I guarded them. All the brothers were certain that they would be killed [during the operation] but we preferred to fight after having rested. After that, I slept a sleep the likes of which I had never slept in my life in terms of restfulness and serenity, Allah be praised.

"Then we decided we would be the ones to attack. We gathered and beseeched Allah insistently with prayer to provide us with an army from among His hosts. The plan was that we four would appear and stop the first military vehicle we see. Nimr and Hussein would approach the car and kill the American dogs in it, and I would go to the Hummer and engage it with fire and thus distract attention away from the others, and brother Nader would carry the rest of the ammunition because it hinders rapid movement, and he would load it into the car. Then, having taken the car, we would head towards the ring of security guards to engage them."

Sawt Al-Jihad: "How many soldiers were there, in your estimation?"

Al-Nashami: "The truth is that there were a great number of forces, armored cars, Hummers, and other vehicles. We meant to take the car because the ring of security was kilometers [long]. We had to have a car to carry us and our weapons, in order to break through it.

"When we appeared from behind the trees, the soldiers were startled and looked at us as if we were ghosts. The first to reach them was Nimr, may Allah have mercy upon him. He ran with incredible speed, shooting and shouting, 'Allah Akbar.' We exchanged fire with them, and Allah, in His kindness, generosity, mercy, and benevolence, gave us victory over them.

"The rest of the soldiers who were around the building began to fire, I do not know what they were shooting at, perhaps some of them were trying their weapons for the first time.

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"We destroyed two jeeps and killed the people in them. I killed the driver of the third jeep, and the vehicle turned over several times. We were now in the middle of the street, and we couldn't find a car to drive in.

"We wanted to go down one of the nearby streets, but Nimr went out, quick as lightning, took a very difficult battle position, and exchanged fire with the Hummer. I saw the tracer bullets leaving his rifle, illuminating the soldier behind the machine gun. We crossed the street, with bullets showering down upon us like rain, and we returned fire. This was a miracle and wonderful grace from Allah. We saw the bullets [passing] between our feet and around us, but nevertheless nothing hurt us, Allah alone be praised.

"We entered the designated quarter, and, Allah be thanked, we managed to break out of this ring while those idiots were still shooting. Then we climbed into one of the cars and drove off.

"By Allah, I am stunned by what happened. The distance was a kilometer and a half, or two; we passed dozens of armored cars, jeeps, and APCs, and fired on all of them, and passed through them all, in the middle of the street where they were gathering, with only one meter between us and each of their vehicles.

"They blocked the street, but Allah facilitated our exit. We defied death, and wanted to plunge into their midst, seeking to slaughter them and achieve martyrdom. However, [the first Caliph] Abu Bakr, may Allah be pleased with him, spoke truly when he said, 'Desire death and you will be given life.'

"The tracer bullets frightened these cowards greatly. We shot at them with Kalashnikovs and also threw at them bombs made by our brothers. We shouted, 'Allah Akbar' and 'There is no God but Allah,' and Allah gave us a great victory.

"We broke through the first ring [of security], and then the second, and the third. In the third ring, the hero lion Nimr emerged from behind a car and fired. A bullet struck him in the middle of his chest, but despite this, this valiant lion continued firing.

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"We broke through the fourth ring and the fifth, with Nimr's blood flowing strongly, but he continued shooting... We broke through the sixth ring, but Nimr fell at the sixth ring.

"Inside the car, he raised his index finger. [7] We tried to move him and shake him, but he did not move, so we did not doubt that he was killed. We asked Allah to elevate him to a higher rank...

"When we came out of the sixth ring, we reached the highway. We could not believe that we had gotten through all these security rings. We knew with certainty that this was the result of divine support and benevolence.

"We went about 10 kilometers... We found a National Guard pickup truck and took it. Brother Nader was in the back with his weapon in order to shoot in case of exchanges of fire. On the highway we saw jeeps going the opposite direction, on their way to the site. We passed them by, thanks be to Allah, with them thinking that we were their friends – heaven forfend – and Allah blinded their eyes from seeing us, even though brother Nader was in the back of the truck carrying his rifle...

"We entered the city, with Allah's grace, as though what we had passed through was a dream, because of the many miracles and divine support that we saw. Oh Allah, to You is the praise and the gratitude, as behooves the magnificence of Your face and the greatness of Your rule!

"When we escaped, we got in touch with our brothers, and met them, thanks be to Allah always, and blessings to Him, for this great victory."

'This Operation Is Considered a Great Victory From Allah... Many [of the Arabs and Muslims In the Compound] Prayed For Our Victory'

Sawt Al-Jihad: "One of the stupid mistakes of the media of Al-Salul [derogatory term for the royal House of Saud] was the publication of testimony of Arabs and Muslims who were in the compound, so the entire world heard that you did not target or harm the

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Muslims. Please tell us, may Allah protect you, about their attitude towards you, and about the impact of this event on them."

Al-Nashami: "Praise be to Allah. The truth is that this operation is considered a great victory from Allah. Dozens of people knew the demands of the *Mujahideen* and saw this with their own eyes. Many [of the Arabs and Muslims at the compound] prayed for our victory and success. Some of the Pakistani and Indian Muslims shouted 'Allah Akbar' with us, and when they found out the name of our brigade was Al-Quds [i.e. Jerusalem], they said, 'Allah Akbar, we want to go with you to Jerusalem.'

"When we were in the hotel we taught some of them the Koran. When we encountered an Arab or Muslim dressed like the infidels or with un-Islamic facial features, we advised him to stay away from the compounds in which the infidels live. Likewise, we advised them to wear Islamic clothing so no one would have to ask whether they were Muslims or not. We encountered an Iraqi Muslim who had American citizenship. He trembled before us but we told him that we had not come to kill Muslims...

"When we looked for the infidels, we passed the offices where some from the Arabian Peninsula waited for us apprehensively. We spoke with them and told them: 'Oh brothers, do not fear, we are not killing Muslims, we want the foreigner infidels. Oh fellows, how are you?' We did this until their fear was gone and they began to joke with us and to direct us to the sites of the infidels...."

Sawt Al-Jihad: "Were any of you hurt?"

Al-Nashami: "Only one light wound: Brother Hussein got a cut on his hand when he broke one of the glass windows. We are all well, Allah be praised, and we undertake before Allah, I and the members of my brigade, to participate again in a raid like this one, Allah be praised and thanked."

Sawt Al-Jihad: "Praise to Allah for your well-being, and we ask Allah to inscribe your reward, and to give your hearts the satisfaction of vengeance [against the infidels] in the same way that you gave satisfaction to the hearts of Muslims all over the world."

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