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Biographies of Al-Qaida's "Distinguished Martyrs" in Mesopotamia" (Abu Musab al-Zarqawi)



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• Abu Abdullah al-Turki

"In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious Most Merciful... Abu Abdullah al-Turki (Azad Akanji) was a steadfast and determined man who had great aspirations. He was a man who worked diligently without ever showing fatigue and who would remain resolute without surrendering. Abu Abdullah was a loyal and sincere believer. He was a Turkish man who came from an excellent background that reminds us of the warriors who made Europe taste humiliation and shame during the days of the Ottoman Empire, or I should say, the Ottoman Khilafah. He studied in order to gain employment, and headed off to Pakistan where he enrolled himself at the Islamic University in Islamabad. He spent two years studying in Islamabad before his religion and his enthusiasm to join the jihad and to bring about an end to the humiliating state of the Islamic nation took over him and pushed him to move to Afghanistan. In Afghanistan, he joined his brothers at the military [training] camps and they discovered the sincerity of his intentions during various shifts and hours spent on guard together."



"Abu Abdullah then returned to Turkey—however, his righteous soul passionately insisted on him going to help his brothers in Chechnya. Abu Abdullah headed off to Georgia (on the way to Chechnya), where he stayed for seven months, eagerly awaiting an opportunity to cross into Chechnya. As the days went by, he remained hopeful and resolute despite seeing the men who were with him turn back after a month or two. As it later turned out, the martyr did not manage to make his way into Chechnya."

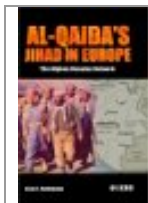
"Deeply saddened, he returned to Turkey. He was troubled by the fact that the infidel brethren were going to live [unharm]ed in Chechnya. He was also angered by the fact that the apostates would nest there and that the Jews could be witnessed crowding every alley and suburb. Abu Abdullah returned to his country, where secularity stood in the way of the call to Islam and its students. They [the Turkish



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and regardless of the hour, I would see him at prayer. As if a halo of light surrounded him, everyone who saw the man liked him. The mere sight of him would fill your eyes with awe. He was of a heavy build, as Allah had given him a healthy body—may Allah have mercy upon his soul... The beloved [Abu Abdullah] did not know Arabic while you—the Arabic-speaking people who are able to read the Quran—understand the words only without grasping the true meaning of what you have just read. You do not feel that unique shiver run down your spine as Abu Abdullah al-Ajmi did, and you do not shed tears with awe and passion as you read...

“At last, our companion’s hour had finally come. He joined one of his brothers and two other men—one of whom was Abu Hurayrah (who I have spoken of before) and they all set off for their target. That same morning, the brothers hugged each other and cried. Abu Huraira then interrupted the silence and began chanting ‘Allahu Akhbar.’” He told the group, ‘My beloved brothers, in an hour or so we are going to join our lord. Be happy and hopeful!’ Each martyr set off in a vehicle that was intended for him. Abu Abdullah drove along with a brother of his, who guided him along the way. Approximately a hundred meters before the target—and at the point where their guide was dropped off, the latter tried to kiss his hands. But beloved Abu Abdullah refused and instead said goodbye to his friend. He then darted off like an arrow and struck the Hani Bani Said police station in Diyala, at precisely the moment that an American patrol had arrived. He sent the Americans and their agents to the place that Allah has destined them to go. All those working in the headquarters were [Shiite] scum, praise Allah for his blessing.”



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