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Communiqué from "Al-Qaida's Jihad Committee in Mesopotamia" (Abu Musab al-Zarqawi)



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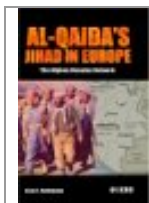
"A statement on behalf of Al-Qaida's Committee in Mesopotamia to all its brothers in Al-Qaida's Committee in [Saudi Arabia]."

"In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful:"

"All praise be to almighty Allah and prayers to his messenger Mohammed, his family, and supporters. Our hearts are with you, brothers in belief and jihad in the Arabian Peninsula. Continue in your jihad and Allah will be with you and shall not abandon you because you are the defenders of his religion, the guardians of justice, and knights of al-Tawheed. You have given us a victory when you stood firm against the agents of the Jews and Christians in the Al-Saud family. Therefore, be patient and be steadfast and Allah will grant you victory. No matter how distant our cities are from each other, your bullets are our bullets. One of our commanders once said that with our jihad in Mesopotamia we are actually protecting the holy city of Makkah, because the main purpose of the cross worshippers is to destroy the Muslims and the mujahideen in their own homeland—the same way that the mujahideen are attacking them in their homeland. We will bring misery upon them with the help of Allah. Allah will be with us in defeating them. The moment they entered Mesopotamia, it erupted into volcanoes, praise be to Allah for his blessing. O' brothers in faith in the Arabian Peninsula, we congratulate you for your jihad in response to prophet Mohammed who ordered us to drive the infidels out of the Arabian Peninsula. This was his order, will you follow it?"

"We welcome anyone who desires to come to Mesopotamia to be among... the local and the foreign mujahideen here. Those who are unable to come and instead must stay in the cities of [Saudi Arabia], it is your Shariah duty to fight and drive the infidels out of the [Arabian Peninsula]... do not abandon us and continue to be our partners in achieving victory. O' almighty Allah, we ask you to defeat America and its agents in the Arabian Peninsula and to grant us victory over them. O' Allah, attack the Arab and Western oppressors... Allahu Akhbar, Allahu Akhbar, and the honor goes to Allah, his messenger, and the mujahideen."

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