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Video of Fahd al-Juwair al-Farraj (Commander) - Al-Qaida's Committee in the Arabian Peninsula

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[NOTE: On March 15, Al-Qaida's Committee in the Arabian Peninsula released the first edition of a new video series titled "Blood that will never be forgotten" commemorating its "martyred" operatives in Saudi Arabia. This first edition, subtitled "The Battle of Al-Yarmuk District in Eastern Riyadh" featured the recorded will of Al-Qaida commander Fahd bin Farraj al-Juwair al-Farraj, who headed the organization at the time of his death. Al-Farraj—one of the original participants at the notorious Al-Battar training camp inside Saudi Arabia during 2002-2003—was also named by Al-Qaida as the mastermind behind the failed February 2006 suicide bomb attack on a major oil refinery in the eastern Saudi town of Abqaiq. On February 27, only days after the clash at Abqaiq, al-Farraj was killed in a shootout with Saudi police in an affluent section of the capital Riyadh.]

"…when Allah made it possible for me to take part in the jihad in his cause and [for his] religion, I decided to write a will and address it to the Islamic nation in the hopes that they would follow it. I was uncertain what to say to you because everything that needs to be said has already been said by Allah via his Quran and through his messenger Mohammed… Our religion is clear via its verses that require no clarification… in contrast to Christianity that requires a priest to explain what the religion means… The basis and principles of Islam are known… and they have frequently been cited in the wills of mujahideen who have chosen this path, also in the speeches of leaders of jihad and the battlefields, such as Shaykh Usama Bin Laden—may Allah protect him—all of which clarify the purpose of their jihad."

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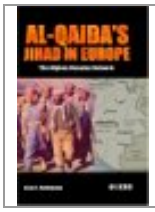
"Based upon this and in order not to waste your time, I will present and clarify the goals that we—with the help of Allah—wish to achieve and also [I will] respond to some of the false allegations by the corrupt clerics against the mujahideen. The purpose of our jihad is to glorify the word of Allah, to expel the infidels from the Arabian Peninsula, to implement his Shariah in every aspect of living and for all people, and to stop the oppression against our oppressed brothers everywhere. We do not act for our own personal needs and desires as the obedient clerics are claiming—rather, we follow the path of our Prophet Mohammed and the Quran. We do not take Muslim blood for granted as alleged by the clerics because we have suffered greatly in order to defend the honor of our brothers everywhere. Therefore, this claim is a complete lie and Allah is our witness. We have chosen this path and trustworthy Allah is our witness and we shall not stop until we achieve victory or martyrdom."

"…I would like to address the entire Islamic nation and tell [Muslims] to wake up and stop remaining silent. How can you keep on being humiliated? ...The crusaders and apostates are controlling and dishonoring you, while all of you refuse to respond. Is it acceptable for you to abandon your religion and to become Jews or Christians? I address every Muslim out there—is it acceptable to you that these infidels enter your house and disgrace your sister or mother? Of course you will not accept that. Women in Palestine, Iraq, Afghanistan, Philippines, Kashmir, Chechnya, and Indonesia are all our sisters, mothers and daughters… Wake up and support your oppressed brothers. Fight in the cause of Allah because you have only one choice or the other: victory or martyrdom… Fear nothing but almighty Allah. The ship of Islam is sailing, so come along and join us."

"I address the obedient clerics who have given legitimacy to this infidel government… I ask you to fear Allah and return to his path… I ask you to follow the Quran as a whole and not to pick and choose only the portions that fit your agenda. To all the silent clerics who hear the evil clerics attacking the mujahideen and spreading their lies—I ask you to speak up and defend the truth. Your knowledge is useless if you do not support Allah. All of your possessions… are not equal in worth to obeying Allah, his prophet, and declaring jihad in his cause… To my mujahideen brothers, I ask you to be patient until the promise of Allah is fulfilled... wait for your sacrifice because you shall be rewarded. To the security officials, I say that you would disobey the order if you were told to follow the path of jihad—but, when Nayif bin Abdelaziz tells you to sell your soul for his government and fight for his sake to protect the Americans in exchange for being paid 3,000 riyals then you obey at once… Stop serving the tyrants and join the mujahideen or else you shall bear witness to the operations being prepared by the mujahideen."

"I address the Saudi government and remind them what the Prophet in his time told the infidel rulers in Mecca: 'we have come for you to slay you and your rule shall soon cease to exist'… If you could even imagine what our young men have prepared for you, then you would be busy preparing your departure from this Peninsula. I address the Americans [and tell them] to leave the Peninsula of the Prophet Mohammed and all other Muslim countries. Stop aiding the Jews in Palestine and the Christians in Muslim countries—if not, then you shall be killed, destroyed, and demolished."



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