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Sawt al-Jihad #30: “Interview with Participant in Abqaiq Raid”



“Special Interview with Badr bin Abdullah al-Humaydi”
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“Before we begin this blessed interview, we would like to welcome our brother Badr and ask him to please give us a brief first-hand account of the blessed Abqaiq raid.”

A: “At approximately 2:45pm on Friday, February 24, 2006, the Muslim youth attacked the Abqaiq (Buqayq) oil refinery that is one of the largest and most important plants that the crusaders use in their war against Islam. The apostate rulers took it over and the crusaders plundered it. It was, and remains, the pillar of their war against Muslims. This attack was carried out according to the wishes of our commander and master, Shaykh Usama Bin Laden, Allah protect him...in order to defend Muslim blood and Muslim riches, and so that the countries would return to their people. The attack was led by the commander and martyr Fahd bin Faraj al-Juwayr, may Allah accept him [as a martyr]. We departed Riyadh for the Abqaiq plant by land one day before the attack. The brigade was comprised of four vehicles (two assault vehicles and two martyrdom vehicles). When we reached the plant, the assault group moved forward in order to open the gates and allow the two [martyrdom] vehicles to enter. We stormed into the plant through the rear gate. We killed the jeep driver and the 50mm machinegun gunner who were positioned at the gate. The rest of the guards hastily fled the scene. When we reached the gate, we came across a guard. One of the mujahideen told him, ‘Drop your weapon, do not fight us, and we will leave you alone.’ He put down his weapon and sat down. At the same time, another guard was hiding and waiting to ambush this mujahid brother. He held an iron pipe, with which he wanted to strike his head—yet our brother noticed and he was startled to see him trying to come up from behind before he shot and killed him. The martyr Abdullah al-Tumajiri then called upon his mujahideen brothers to open another gate that was locked and chained. The martyr Fahd al-Juwayr, may Allah accept him [as a martyr], opened fire on the gate and broke it open. After that, another gate was also opened and the two martyrs entered the plant and reached their desired objective without any resistance.”



[Sawt al-Jihad]: “The [Saudi] government falsely claimed that the blast failed and that it took place outside the petroleum complex!! What is your response to this claim?”

A: “My brother, there is no limit to the lies and deceptions of the [Saudi government]. They have adopted treachery as a habit and Allah has given them what they deserve. What really happened was that after the two martyrs arrived at the agreed-upon location, the assault group withdrew far away from the plant. The two martyrs then blew it up. The control room was completely destroyed, and so were half the cooling rooms and a few pipes. This was all accomplished in 15 minutes and all thanks to the blessings of Allah. We then retreated from the city of Abqaiq despite its small size, and despite the fact that we knew that there were only two official roads leading out of the city—each of which had



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a checkpoint that was manned 24 hours a day! Praise be to Allah, who enabled us to enter the city of Abqaiq and retreat from it quickly.”

[Sawt al-Jihad]: “The [Saudi] government claimed that it discovered the mujahideen in the al-Yarmuk guesthouse after tracking them down with a helicopter. It was then said that they were traced [to the guesthouse] through the Internet. There was also a rumor that the administrators of the Al-Hesbah web forum gave away the address of those who published the communiqué that claimed responsibility for the operation. How accurate is all that has been said about this issue?”

A: “My brother, the extent of the [al-Saud] family’s lies is only increasing and this is now clear to any person who has eyes. In the name of Allah, they are much more wicked than people think. Nevertheless, they engage in this trickery with information in order to appease their crusader masters. They are fighting the jihad in the most evil way!! The following is the truth: we returned to our post in the city of Riyadh (the al-Yarmuk guesthouse) exactly as we had planned. Three days after the blessed attack, the guesthouse was surrounded by thousands of soldiers, as opposed to the five mujahideen that were inside it that day. A fierce battle broke out and a large number of [government] soldiers were wounded. The security forces’ hospital was filled with guards, some of whom did not even have a stretcher to lie on, and therefore sat on the floor. Then, the tyrants said that these mujahideen were tracked down with helicopters!! This is a fabrication and an outright lie, for we took all the necessary precautions and carefully watched for signs of aerial movement as we headed back to Riyadh. There was no helicopter in sight and we had chosen a safe return route. These lies are nothing but an attempt to cover up their failures so that their crusader masters will be pleased with them. As for their false claim that they traced them through the Internet—this is a foolish lie. Which fool would publish the communiqué from his residence?! The publishing of communiqués is a process that involves several secret and complex steps before final publication online. The Internet has nothing to do with the discovery of the guesthouse and the proof of this is that the person who published the communiqué is alive and well and took part in this blessed attack. Praise Allah, your brothers in Al-Qaida’s network in Saudi Arabia use the most advanced technologies such as encrypted browsing, proxies, and other modern and secret technologies in order to break up the monopoly of the... Saudi [government] that attempts to hide the truth from the Saudi people. As for the brothers, the administrators of the Al-Hesbah forums—in the name of Allah—we can say only good things about them and their brothers from the Al-Ekhlhas and Al-Buraq forums, the Global Islamic Media Front (GIMF), the Al-Ansar Al-Baridiya group, and other jihadi media groups who have provided and continue to provide many important services to the mujahideen—some of which have supported our organization for years, since the days of Shaykh Yusuf al-Ayyiri and commander Abu Hajer (Abdelaziz al-Muqrin), may Allah accept them among his martyrs in paradise. Do not concern yourselves with this issue because we are taking all practical measures, praise be to Allah... They knew where the brothers were [in Riyadh] because they were watching the



Al-Qaida’s “Usama Bin Laden Brigade” prepares the final stages of the February 2006 terrorist attack on the Abqaiq refinery complex in Saudi Arabia.



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guesthouse the brothers were at on that day, and may Allah have mercy upon their souls. The [Saudi] media showed two pictures of two burning cars after the battle. One of them, the Jeep, is one of the cars that was used to break in [to the plant]. It was driven by our brother Fahd al-Juwayr, may Allah accept him among the martyrs in paradise.”

[Sawt al-Jihad]: “Alright, what about the video the Saudi government published about the preparations for the Abqaiq attack and the discovery of the weapons and explosives depot... and the videos that were found there?”

A: “I do not know the reason for all this drumming in the media about the discovery of the depot. The tyrants said that they confiscated a large amount of explosives and video footage, in addition to capturing five brothers. This is all false and blown out of proportion. The explosives were simple material that is sold in the markets and that anyone can get day and night. They consisted of coal and aluminum powder, so why this media frenzy? The tyrants then claimed that many films were confiscated, and that is an outright lie and a fabrication because the only films that were taken were those that appeared in the media. The [Saudi] media also aired footage showing the brothers as they were planning. Among the men were Commander Fahd al-Juwayr—may Allah accept him—Mohammed al-Reish, and Abdullah al-Tumajiri. The film showed masked men and was found at the guesthouse. The names that were shown in reference to the masked mujahideen were incorrect. This blunder was a great failure of the tyrant’s [intelligence] agencies. As for the five brothers whose capture was announced, this is more false than it is true. Anyone who follows events and keeps track of the blunders of the tyrants knows how much they lie and deceive Muslims, and this is yet another failure of their [intelligence] agencies, and another cause for their frustration.”