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## Video Threat to Lebanon from "Al-Qaida in Greater Syria"



**"Speech from the Military Commander of Al-Qaida's Committee in 'Greater Syria' Regarding the Situation in the Nahr al-Bared Refugee Camp [in Lebanon]."**  
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[On May 25, 2007, copies of a new video recording were publicly distributed over password-protected Al-Qaida Internet websites after being authenticated by the pre-eminent Al-Fajr Media Center. The seven-minute recording contains a speech by a masked individual identifying himself only as the "military commander of Al-Qaida's Committee in Al-Shams" ("Greater Syria"). This is the first known occasion that any individual or organization inside of Lebanon has explicitly identified themselves as part of the international Al-Qaida terrorist network.]

"...Everyone who follows the news knows what our people in the Palestinian camps in Lebanon are being subjected to, especially because this has been happening for a while now. They will feel pain, sadness, and pity for those who are patient and steadfast from our Islamic nation. Since the early days, they have been forced to live in camps without the basic needs of daily life. Surrounded by walls and barbed wire in a giant prison, they have been treated as if they are wild monsters. They have been forbidden to leave the camps unless their movements are monitored, a humiliation to this Islamic nation of mujahideen. They have been subjected to every product of the twisted minds in this country (Lebanon), most of all the campaign of illiteracy—because Palestinians are typically first on the list when it comes to being educated and are the most literate group in the entire Arab world. But they have been placed at the end of the list in this country for many reasons. Most importantly, they have been forbidden from all employment, even simple jobs. All sorts of businesses owned by Palestinians have been smothered, forcing them to abandon their education because there is no use for it. The Palestinians are forced to take the humiliating jobs that these crusaders are not willing to take, as slaves to the Christian capitalists—for example, Al-Murr (Michel al-Murr) and others. It is truly bizarre that Palestinians in Lebanon cannot own any piece of land, even in a cemetery to bury their dead. And because of the Sunni jihadist stance of our nation, the Palestinians have become an obstacle confronting all other sects in this country, as the presence [of Palestinians] has changed the demography of this country and has made Lebanon's Sunnis into a majority."



"Starting with 'Amal', the Shiites and the Crusaders have launched a war against the Palestinians, sparing no effort to spill their innocent blood and taking advantage of the obvious weakness of the Sunnis, especially when compared with the military and financial power of the Shiites and the crusaders. And now, a new crusade has begun under the slogan of the 'war on terrorism' and, by this, they are referring to the Fatah al-Islam movement. [The battle] began in the city of Muslim scholars and jihad... Tripoli, where the Nahr al-Bared refugee camp is located. There were fiery statements broadcast on TV screens and issued by the shameless agent of the Jews, the treacherous commander of the 'Lebanese Forces'—the allies of the pagan crusaders... [supporting]... Michel Aoun—who are together trying to demolish the Nahr al-Bared camp. They succeeded in their mission, as hundreds of houses were destroyed by artillery fire, and all kinds of weaponry were employed that have never even once been used against the Jews."

"Because giving advice is a duty upon us, we send this clear message to the head of the Christians in Lebanon, the Maronite [Patriarch of Lebanon Nasrallah] Sfeir: pull back your dogs from our people, and cease your artillery fire—or else, from today onwards, there will be no safe place for any crusader in Lebanon, and as you strike, we will strike. Our women and children are no less valuable than your women



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and children... If you do not stop, we will tear your hearts out with explosives, and surround your every post with our bombs. We will target your entire economy, starting with tourism and ending with all the incoming resources you [received when you] launched this new crusader war. O', how we love to fight, so be careful not to boast too much about the support you are receiving from the Arab infidels. We have ignored you previously, but we give you this final warning that from now on, an ocean of blood will be spilled."

"We demand that you give an order to the Chief of Staff of the Christian Lebanese Army to withdraw his men from all of the Palestinian camps in general (and Nahr al-Bared in particular), to stop bombarding the camp, and to remove all of the control measures and checkpoints established around the camp. Be sensible because you Christians live in the middle of a Sunni majority which will sink you if you refuse to accept our advice and cease your actions."

"As for our people in the refugee camps in general—and Nahr al-Bared in particular—we say: in the name of Allah, we will not let you down, and you will witness actions by the Sunnis (particularly those in Lebanon and Tripoli) that you will be satisfied with. Allahu Akhbar, and the honor goes to Allah."