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Saudi Arabian Veteran of Al-Qaida's Jihad in Iraq Allegedly "Martyred" in Afghanistan



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"The martyrdom and will of Hassan bin Jassem al-Anzi from the city of Al-Thuqbah in the Eastern part of the Arabian Peninsula."

"In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful: He martyred himself in the sixth month of 1425 [August 2004]. He wrote his will on scrap paper and died before finishing what he was writing. It was found by the mujahideen at his side after he died. Saif (Hassan bin Jassem al-Anzi) was among the first young men who went to Iraq and he was influenced by the slain brothers at the camp of Abu Raghad in Iraq. In Iraq, he moved north to the city of Mosul along with a group of his brothers. That group included several men who were killed such as Abu Abdallah al-Dosari, Saleh Massoud Al-Harathi (Hamza Al-Taifi), Badr Abdallah al-Salman (Saqr al-Zalfawi), Hammoud Ayid al-Qaranmari (Abu Hurayrah), Abdelrahman Said al-Quraishi (Abu Saad al-Makki) and Abu Amshah al-Shamri from Hail."



Abdelrahman Said al-Quraishi (a.k.a. Abu Saad al-Makki), suicide bomber in a February 2004 Al-Qaida attack in Hilla south of Baghdad



Abu Amshah al-Shamri, suicide bomber in a May 2004 Al-Qaida attack on a Baghdad hospital

The group also included several men who are still waiting to die and a few others who were captured—may Allah release them from their prisons."

"Afterwards, Allah made it possible for him to enter Afghanistan along with several of his brothers. There, he continued his training and became a role model for hard work and motivation. The brothers there were very fond of him and he was known for his passion to serve his brothers. His first



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operation was at the Shawwal front, where they ambushed the Americans near the border. In that operation, a number of Americans were killed and one of their vehicles was completely destroyed. Later, he was critically injured and could not walk after he was hit by the American aircraft that chased the brothers responsible for the ambush. When the mujahideen came back to retrieve him they found him bleeding and it seemed as if he was already dead. He was then buried by one of the tribes in that area who said, ‘we are afraid he is still alive because he looks like such an honorable man.’”

“Five days before he was martyred, he had a dream about a voice calling to him from heaven telling him that soon Allah would bring victory and relief for the believers. Then, after he died, one of the brothers saw him in his own dream saying ‘I am a martyr’ and his face looked pleased. Among the heroic acts done after his death, a group from the Ansar brothers who could not sleep that night after Saif had been killed rose at dawn and decided to go and retrieve his body even though they knew that the enemies of Allah would be waiting for them at the location. When they arrived there, the enemies of Allah were awaiting them and all of the mujahideen were killed in the battle. Later, however, the brothers were able to bring back his body to bury it.”

The Martyrdom Will of Hassan bin Jassem al-Anzi:

“All praise be to Allah, and prayers to his prophet Mohammed, his family, and supporters. I am writing this will of fully sound mind and confirm everything that is written in it. I ask Allah to take my blood so that he will be pleased with me. O’ Allah, use my death to bring victory for your religion and to humiliate all the infidels. I went and declared jihad as Allah has ordered me to in order to support the Muslims and fight the infidels. Allah said that all of us, both the eager and the lazy, should declare jihad. When I learned that the religion of Allah was being humiliated, the Muslims were being killed, and the women were carrying children in their wombs without their consent, I knew I should defend them and fight for their victory. O’ I swear that even if I have a father, mother, and sister of my own, all Muslim fathers are my father, and their mothers are my mother, and their sisters are my sister. Allah said, ‘What is the matter with you that you are not fighting for the sake of Allah while the defenseless men, women and children are asking Allah to take them out of that village’... These are the words of Allah to me and to all Muslims, so how can anyone stand still and not do anything when he reads these lines?”

“There are no excuses for you because the Quran and the Hadith order us to declare jihad for the sake of Allah and to bring victory for our Muslim brothers. I ask my family to fear Allah and to ask forgiveness for all your sins because this life is not eternal and soon it will be over and therefore your acts should be directed towards winning the hereafter. The victor is the one who wins the satisfaction of Allah and his paradise and the loser is the one who loses the satisfaction of Allah and paradise. Remember that death is sudden and its arrival cannot be predicted. My dear parents, I ask you to raise my brothers the same way the Prophet’s followers raised their children. Teach them to love their religion and to fight for it. Teach them to be tough and masculine and to trust Allah first and then themselves. Teach them how to throw and ride horses and how to break the barrier of fear of anything but Allah. Encourage them towards jihad and, no matter what, do not stop anyone who wants to go for jihad because Allah will punish you for stopping them on the Day of Judgment.”

“I ask you to frequently pray for forgiveness from Allah. Always pray and fast and keep steadfast to all the pillars of your religion. I ask that after you read this will and hear the news about my martyrdom to be happy and to wear my wedding clothes and to welcome all the people who are coming to congratulate you, and slam the door in the faces of those who are



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mourning my death. Do not cry for me and do not become sad about my passing. This is the day I was waiting and praying for.”



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