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Communiqué from Al-Tawheed wal-Jihad Movement (Abu Musab al-Zarqawi) in Iraq

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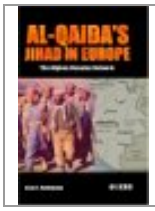
"In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful:"

"The alliances of evil have persisted in spreading rumors and lies… the number of dead from the ranks of the mujahideen have been exaggerated, and so have the claims about the arrest of their leaders, and great victories over them… as they did yesterday in Samarra, vainly boasting to the world about their false victory. But [they have forgotten to mention] the humiliation and defeats they have suffered from the explosive devices that our brothers carefully left for them, and they have muzzled the voice of truth in order that it does not proclaim to the world that our brothers managed to destroy a helicopter from the enemy attack helicopters."

"The political lies are increasing about a sweeping operation against the mujahideen just before the Iraqi or American elections by the alliances of tyranny, but this has not undermined the mujahideen in the cities of Iraq. In preparation, our leader Abu Musab al-Zarqawi has met with the leaders of the cities and the military commanders, and they have fortified the places that the enemy is trying to penetrate. The readiness of the brothers has been raised to the utmost level, if Allah wills it, and the slogan of the brothers is: no retreat until victory or martyrdom, even if tons of explosives shower down upon them like mountains."

"The fighting brothers are resolute in their persistence… and they yearn for paradise and to meet beloved Mohammed and his companions. So what difference does it make if they send out tanks, bombard us from aircraft, or keep attempting to penetrate us? The approach of the tanks towards the fighting brothers means that the gates of paradise have been opened… it only matters to us that we satisfy our Lord and that we defend our land from the enemies of Allah. O' heroes of Islam, prepare yourselves for an epic struggle with the leaders of the infidel regimes… And O' the nation of Islam, do not be stingy to your sons during the critical hours of Ramadan, the Islamic month for victories."



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