



Al-Fajr Media Center: “Martyrdom” of Abu al- Laith al-Liby January 31, 2008

“Al-Fajr Media Center: Martyrdom of the Mujahid Commander Shaykh Abu al-Laith al-Liby, May Allah Accept Him Among the Martyrs.” Released on: January 31, 2008



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“...Praise be to Allah for what he has decreed and predestined, and praise be Allah, who chose a group from amongst the Muslim nation, and honored them with jihad on his behalf, causing others to admire them and winning over their hearts, and [Allah] has helped and supported them. And among those was the venerable, tremendous, brave, gallant, courageous lion Shaykh Abu al-Laith al-Qassimi al-Liby, who was martyred along with a group of his brothers on the earth of Muslim Pakistan—may Allah purge her from the noose of the renegade...”

“When we have heard about the martyrdom of the Shaykh, we rejoiced and prayed for Allah to grant the Shaykh martyrdom as he had desired and achieved. Although we mourn his loss, the legacy that he has left behind only increases the blazing fires that will burn the enemies of our faith and religion. How many brothers were there who he trained who turned to the path of jihad, and how often was he supervising the training camps, and how much did he help guide and provide instruction and planning, becoming an expert in all these aspects. He has led battles of pride and glory, destroying the infidel fortresses, and weakening the strength of their soldiers—until he fell as a martyr, as we consider him to be.”



“We say to the infidels everywhere and the crusader army that we are a nation that will meet death only when we are killed—and the death of our leaders serves as evidence of the propriety of our methods. Our role models and elders will be slain on the frontline, standing firm and patient as the words of a poet: ‘on our heels, our wounds bleed—but upon our feet, the blood drips.’ Our leaders and elders are always on the frontlines, serving as inspiring examples for the Islamic nation to follow our banner and to heed our call to arms. They will not fail to come to the aid of their nation. Wherever they have heard the call, they have rushed towards and fought with soldiers and men. They have endured the pain of our journey alongside them, and with their blood and bodies, our victory will be accomplished, Allah willing.”

“Finally, we call upon all the brothers who are supporters of the jihad and its fighters not to spread any piece of information that reaches them without first confirming it, or publishing anything officially through the various outlets, especially about the leaders and elders. This is in accordance with being responsible in our [support] of jihad. Any kind of information acknowledged by known media sources but not issued by an official spokesman will be discredited until proven otherwise, and will be sent for confirmation by the relevant authorities—do not be with the enemy against us... To Allah we return. May Allah have mercy on Abu al-Laith al-Qassimi and accept him and his brothers among the martyrs.”