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Muslim Brotherhood Supreme Guide: 'The U.S. Is Now Experiencing the Beginning of Its End'; Improvement and Change in the Muslim World 'Can Only Be Attained Through Jihad and Sacrifice'

In one of his recent weekly sermons, titled "How Islam Confronts the Oppression and Tyranny [against the Muslims]," Muslim Brotherhood Supreme Guide Muhammad Badi' accused the Arab and Muslim regimes of employing tyranny against their peoples, of avoiding confrontation with the Muslims' real enemies – the Zionist entity and the U.S. – and of disregarding Allah's commandment to wage jihad against the infidels.

About the U.S., he said that it is immoral and therefore doomed to collapse, and that it is "experiencing the beginning of its end and is heading towards its demise."

Badi' added that the Palestinian-Israeli negotiations have proved to be pointless, and accused the Palestinian Authority of selling out the Palestinian cause, adding that the PA's days are numbered. He also stated that the Palestinian people in the West Bank and Gaza are preparing for a third intifada, and called on the mujahideen in Gaza to be patient and persist in their jihad, because Allah is with them. Finally, he urged all Arab and Muslims to unite in support of the resistance, for "resistance is the solution," and exhorted them to have faith in the Koranic promise that Allah would deliver the infidels into their hands, even if they are weak at the moment.

Badi's sermon was condemned by the PA. A PA spokesman said that in accusing the PA of selling out the Palestinian cause, the Muslim Brotherhood had distorted the truth and disregarded the fact that the PA adheres to the Palestinian principles, including the establishment of a Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital and the refugees' right of return. He added that Badi's statements regarding the imminent demise of the PA reveal that the Muslim Brotherhood secretly wishes to topple the PLO and the PA, in order to establish a Palestinian state in temporary borders led by the Muslim Brotherhood's branch in Palestine – that is, Hamas. The spokesman further accused the Muslim Brotherhood of instigating fitna and civil wars in every country where it has seized the government or attempted to seize it. He contended that Badi's statements were meant to strengthen Hamas' coup in Gaza, and that it is Hamas that is perpetuating the occupation and suppressing the resistance, while the Palestinian people in the West Bank are waging popular resistance. [1]

Following are excerpts from Badi's sermon, which was posted on the Muslim Brotherhood's official website: [2]



The Muslim and Arab Regimes "Are Disregarding Allah's Commandment to Wage Jihad"

"According to the Islamic *shari'a* that Allah [has bequeathed] to mankind, the status of the Muslims, compared to that of the infidel nations that arrogantly [disdain] his *shari'a*, is measured in a kind of scale, in which, when one side is in a state of superiority, the other is in a state of inferiority...

"Many Arab and Muslim regimes have not managed to build up their peoples, due to their weakness and their dependence [on the West], and in many cases they have begun to work against the interests of the [Muslim] nation... The lands of the Arabs and of Islam are now plagued with problems because [the Arabs] have lost their [strength of] will, leaving it to the Zionist enemies and their supporters. [The Arab and Muslim regimes] have forgotten, or are pretending to have forgotten, that the real enemy lying in wait for them is the Zionist entity. They

are aiming their weapons against their own peoples, while avoiding any confrontation with these Zionists and achieving neither unity nor revival for their nations. Moreover, they are disregarding Allah's commandment to wage jihad for His sake with [their] money and [their] lives, so that Allah's word will reign supreme and the infidels' word will be inferior...

"Today the Muslims desperately need a mentality of honor and means of power [that will enable them] to confront global Zionism. [This movement] knows nothing but the language of force, so [the Muslims] must meet iron with iron, and winds with [even more powerful] storms. They crucially need to understand that the improvement and change that the [Muslim] nation seeks can only be attained through jihad and sacrifice and by raising a jihadi generation that pursues death just as the enemies pursue life."

"Resistance Is the Only Solution against the Zio-American Arrogance and Tyranny"

"Resistance is the only solution. The stage of indirect negotiations [between the Palestinians and Israel] ended without the Palestinians gaining anything, and without the Palestinian negotiators taking a lesson from it. And now the PA, which has resumed its talks with the Zionists, is about to gasp out its last breaths at the table of direct negotiations. [At the same time], on the anniversary of the second intifada, the Palestinians are preparing the third intifada, and we see this people, in the West Bank and Gaza, seething [in anger] against the Zionists and their supporters, like a cauldron [of boiling water].

"The U.S. cannot impose an agreement upon the Palestinians, despite all the means and power at its disposal. [Today] it is withdrawing from Iraq, defeated and wounded, and it is also on the verge of withdrawing from Afghanistan. [All] its warplanes, missiles and modern military technology were defeated by the will of the peoples, as long as [these peoples] insisted on resistance – and the wars of Lebanon and Gaza, which were not so long ago, [are proof of this].

"Resistance is the only solution against the Zio-American arrogance and tyranny, and all we need is for the Arab and Muslim peoples to stand behind it and support it. The peoples know well who is [carrying out] resistance and who has sold out the [Palestinian] cause and bargained over it. We say to our brothers the *mujahideen* in Gaza: be patient, persist in [your jihad], and know that Allah is with you..."

The U.S. "Does Not Champion Moral and Human Values" and Therefore "Cannot Lead Humanity"

"The Soviet Union fell dramatically, but the factors that will lead to the collapse of the U.S. are much more powerful than those that led to the collapse of the Soviet empire – for a nation that does not champion moral and human values cannot lead humanity, and its wealth will not avail it once Allah has had His say, as happened with [powerful] nations in the past. The U.S. is now experiencing the beginning of its end, and is heading towards its demise...

"As for Zionism, [we] do not need more than the testimony of Professor Martin van Creveld, a history lecturer at the Hebrew University [of Jerusalem] and an expert on military strategy. In a press interview on March 8, 2002... he [was asked] what would be the fate of the Israeli army if it had to fight a regular army like that of Syria or Lebanon. He replied: 'I think that if a war like the 1973 war breaks out, most of the [Israeli] army will run for its life.' The Zionists' war against the weak has been going on for over 20 years, since the invasion of Lebanon, and the [Israeli] army has become a collection of weaklings and cowards.' [Van] Creveld added: 'At military funerals, we weep and wail, while the Palestinians demand revenge at their funerals.'"

"Islam Is Capable of Confronting Oppression and Tyranny... The Outcome of the Confrontation Has Been Predetermined by Allah"

"The Muslim nation has the means [to bring about] improvement and change... It knows the way, the methods, and the road signs, and it has a practical role model in Allah's Messenger, [the Prophet Muhammad]... who clarified how to implement the values of the [Koran] and the Sunna at every time and in every place. In addition, we have the histories of the ancient prophets, and of the rise and fall of [previous] nations...

"Allah said: 'The hosts will all be routed and will turn and flee [Koran 54:45].' This verse is a promise to the believers that they shall defeat their enemies, and [that the enemies] shall withdraw. The Companions of the Prophet received this Koranic promise in Mecca, when they were weak... and a little more than nine years after the Hijra, Allah fulfilled his promise in the Battle of Badr... Can we compare that to what happened in Gaza?

"Today we see how much the [Muslim] nation needs unity... O Muslim nation, unite! O sons of Palestine, unite, all of you, in the face of the enemies who scheme against you, and know that Allah is the best of schemers, and that though Him you shall triumph. [Know that] Islam is capable of confronting oppression and tyranny, and that the outcome of the confrontation has been predetermined by Allah."

Endnotes:

[1] WAFA (Palestinian Authority), October 2, 2010.

[2] www.ikhwanonline.com, September 30, 2010.



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