In the name of God the most merciful

To the beloved Shaykh 'Atiyah-Allah, May God protect him God's peace, mercy, and blessing be upon you.

I was so pleased to receive your letter. We are getting lots of letters from you. We also sent several letters and in them we talked about various issues. We were hoping to get an urgent response from you on some events, but when we did not receive one, we acted on our own and we made some decisions. So, please excuse us.

Beloved Shaykh, I received your letter dated 20 May 2010, but some circumstances kept us from responding to you. There are issues that we will talk about later. I have here some important messages and they are: we received a messenger from the brothers in Somalia and they talked to us about some points and asked if they should announce that they have joined you, if they should change their names, and if they should declare an Islamic emirate. They need your quidance and want you to write to them. I will send you their general key and email address after I tell them that I will be doing this. They need the doctor to talk about them and respond to their letter to you titled "Usamah, We Will Obey You" with anything that he deems appropriate. The important thing is to make them feel that they are part of us. They are in control of most of Somalia and they are governing it by Islamic law. It is the hope of Africa in creating the Islamic caliphate and their situation is pleasing, praise be to God.

I await your response to this message and I will send you further details soon, God willing. The operation of 'Umar al-Faruq was a response through which God saved us from big trouble and the shelling has saved us many steps and brought us many supporters.

About a year ago, we kidnapped nine Christians, including Germans, a Brit, and a Korean female. The brothers killed three women. Then, a woman and her husband resisted and they were killed alongside the Brit. The three children stayed with us for a year. We tried to contact you, but without success. The child died about two weeks ago and we exchanged the remaining two children for a small ransom. Things did not work well for us and

we were not experienced in kidnappings and the media outrage after the killing of the three women and the condemnation by the people. We also did not have a good hiding place and that prevented us from exploiting these kidnappings as we should have. The agreement with Taysir was that you would take care of the negotiations from your side, but the lack of communications prevented this from happening. This is the summary of the kidnapping of the evangelists.

As for the issue of Iman, the daughter of the Shaykh, we do not have any details on her issue except for what was mentioned in the media. We will give you more information once we get any, but it might be too late.

We have some external work that would cause great harm to the enemy and we need your opinion on it.

May God protect you and bless your effort. Please pray for us. The brothers send their greetings to you.

Finally, may God comfort you for the death of Shaykh Abu-al-Yazid and may God replace him with someone who is even better. May God protect you from every harm. Please take care of yourself, for you are our hope.

Your loving brother Basir

8 June 2010