

To the honorable Shaykh, may God protect you and guide you,

Greetings. I pray to God for this letter to find you well and in good health.

We are doing well and recently things have been calmer. The brothers are more careful and keeping low profile.

Shaykh Abu Muhammad is fine and communication with him continues, but he told us that for two months his carrier will not be coming. Hopefully we will communicate with him towards the end of April.

-Regarding ((Hamzah)):

I am embarrassed to talk to you about this. I hope that you will understand my point of view. As you know, I do not have an interest in this and all I want is safety, security, and success. You are his father and you are our Amir and we will obey. I have the feeling that you are not aware of the security situation here. I tried to find a way to send him to you on the main road, but I was not able to find one due to the intensified security procedures and searches. We can look into sending him by smuggling him in like the Mujahidin brothers. We can arrange for him to go to Baluchistan and from there we can arrange with the brother ((Abu 'Abdallah)) al-Sindi and his friends to receive him there and then decide if he should stay there or send him to Peshawar as you wanted.

In summary, there are three options:

-The first option: We can send him to you through our middle-man, but this is bad option and should not be utilized due to the security situation and because it might lead to the capture of our middle-man. So this option doubles the risk.

We can alter this option by sending Hamzah with an individual other than our middle-man (he will have nothing to do with our middle-man). We will give him the phone numbers of your middle-man (Aslam or someone else) and he can call him once they get there and hand him Hamzah.

The second option: Is for me to send him to Peshawar through other individuals (other than our courier) like all the brothers who go from our area to Peshawar. It is a smuggling route. They go from the Waziristan region, Federally Administered Tribal Areas, Pakistan towards the Khyber tribes and from there they go down to Peshawar (they go down to Bara, I believe, or somewhere nearby) and then enter Peshawar. This route is dangerous, but less dangerous than the first one. This way, our carrier will avoid any danger because Hamzah will be taken by other mujahidin brothers.

The question is should we tell the brothers who will be escorting him who this individual is in order to take the matter seriously or should we just say take him to Peshawar and he will find his way there? Even with that, people might know who he is.

The third option: is to send Hamzah to Balochistan. This is easier for us and we can send him from south Waziristan. We can send him to people there and he can stay there until 'Abdallah al-Sindi arrives and gets him. This is the least dangerous option and the easiest. I recommend this option. As I told you, you can arrange with 'Abdallah al-Sindi (directly or through me if he sends his phone numbers).

Notes: I talked to brother ((Munir)) about sending Hamzah, and he agrees with me that we should not send him due to the situation that I described to you. I did not discuss this with ((Abu Yahya)) because we did not meet for the last three months and I did not write to him about this in our correspondence.

-Here, we are talking only about Hamzah as a man. As for the family (his wife and two children), there is no problem in sending them the regular route (first option). The idea is to send Hamzah and his family separately.

However, If we decide on the Balochistan option (third option), he can go with his family.

-Brother 'Abdallah al-Sindi sent me ((Khalid))'s identification documents and drivers license and they can be used by Hamzah when he moves. You either tell us what to do with the identification documents or I will give them to Hamzah to use if you go with one of these options.

Attention: If the decision is to go with The Baluchistan route, I will need some time to complete the arrangement (not too long). I want to warn you and remind you of the difficulty of the situation here and for you not to get worried.

As for Hamzah, he and his family are fine. He wants to receive training and to learn. I wanted your permission to give him some space to move in a manner that we will carefully arrange for, in order for him to attend some special training. Anyway, he took his family to the house of our brother ((Abu Khalil)).

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Other topics:

-Sorry to inform you that more than two months ago, brother ((Abu al-Harith)) al-Sindi (the brother-in-law of Abu 'Abdallah al-Sindi) was detained by the Pakistani intelligence in Karachi.

- So far I did not get any responses from the family of B M (TN: sic) in spite of the fact that I received a response from brother Abu 'Abdallah al-Sindi and Khalid's identification documents that I told you about earlier. Brother, 'Abdallah al-Sindi did not give any more details, but promised to soon send the phone numbers that we asked him for.

-I sent the Quran of (('Um Hamzah)) and hopefully you received it.

Also we started transferring ten million rupees to brother Aslam. I wrote to him and asked him to exchange them to dollars, euros and keep them so that you (TN: in plural form) can have them.

Regarding the money that we have, we exchanged a large part of the rupees to gold, dollars and euros.

Of course, there are lots of expenses that we paid for in rupees directly in support of several jihadi groups in the tribes (Shura Shamali, Ms'udis, Khalifah Haqqani, Tehrik e-Taliban Pakistan, and others. This is in addition to groups of immigrants) because we have to support people. Everyone heard of the deal. We also paid for the expenses of sponsorships. We do not have many debts. Praise be to God. We also bought weapons, ammunition, and equipment in preparation for any possible war. We also renewed some of the budgets for some workshops and collaborating groups. We also raised some of the budgets.

Praise be to God, the flow of money from outside and from inside Pakistan these days is good.

-We are watching the Arab revolutions and the changes in the Arab countries. Praise be to God for the fall of the tyrants of Tunis and Egypt. Now we are watching the situation in Libya, Yemen, and Syria. Attached is some of what the brothers wrote to me about these revolutions.

In general we believe that these are major changes and have good things in them.

Did you think about issuing a statement to the nation to show solidarity with the people, express happiness for the fall of the tyrants, and support the revolutions against injustice, corruption, brutality and oppression? It should contain instructions and reminders to the youth and the entire nation. It should be generic and not go into details. It should also urge people to continue on the path of jihad, repentance, and return to God. It should also contain a warning about the deceitfulness of the Americans and others. It should also say that the Jewish state is about to end, and so on.

Perhaps you are waiting for these revolutions to mature and see what shape they take. I am sure that you will talk about these revolutions on your tape for the tenth anniversary of 11 September 2001.

Attached are some of the thoughts and reflections on the major changes. This is a paper that I wrote to the brothers here in order to discuss it.

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I will attach some of what I wrote and what was published here on that issue.

I will also attach two letters from ((al-Tayib)) Agha and my response to them, and the latest correspondence with Algeria, Somalia, and Yemen, and my response to the brothers in Algeria. Attached also is my letter to the brothers in Somalia and another letter to ((Abu Basir)). As you can see, the brothers in Somalia are suggesting that you write letter to brother Hasan ((Zahir)) (variant: Dhahir) to encourage him and lift his sprit. Also, attached are some administrative books and other files from the internet.

Reagrding Shaykh ((Yunis)), he is fine and I sent to him your latest letter, and God willing he received it. A month ago, he wrote to me and told me that he might go to Somalia directly if he can make the arrangement. Through the Baluchi, they found some trusted smugglers to get them there directly (during their stay in Balochistan for the last ten months, they got to know the sea routes). He and his friends decided that going to Iran and staying in it is not appropriate. That is a summary of what he wrote to me. I wrote to him a response a few days ago and asked him to confirm the security of the route. I also suggested an idea for him and his friends to study and consider. The idea came to me in light of the popular revolutions. The idea in short is to distribute his brothers in Tunis and Syria and other locations. This is going to require the Syrian brothers to wait until the revolution succeeds and the Asad regime falls and the country turns into chaos.

Just to remind you, Shaykh Yunis has three Syrian brothers, one Tunisian, and one Algerian (used to live in Germany) with him. The Tunisian can travel to Tunis now and he can easily enter Tunis. Some of people from here traveled to Tunis and were able to get in. The three Syrians hopefully will be able to get in soon. All that remains is him and the Algerian brother. It might be appropriate for them to go to Somalia or easily hide in Iran or some other place since there is only two of them.

The changes that took place in the Arab region are big and many things will change with them.

Regarding Libya, the latest that we received is that the brothers are starting to organize themselves and they have activities and role there. Brothers from the Combating Group who got out of prisons and others in East Libya (in Binghazi, Darnah, and al-Bayda' and its surroundings) say that there is an active Islamic jihadi revival and that they have been waiting for this chance for a long time. I believe that the brothers' names, activities and recordings will start to appear soon.

Also regarding Libya, as result of the excitement among the brothers with this opportunity for Jihad in Libya, brother ((Anas al-Subay'i)) al-Libi and other brothers asked for permission to go to Libya.

Attached is a letter from Anas (whose name here now is 'Abd al-Qayyum). He wrote to Abu Yahya and Abu Yahya forwarded it to me. He accuses me of being late in responding to him. I have a very good reason for being late. I am trying to stay away, lower my profile, and decrease my communications and movement. Also, so far, I did receive those letters that he talks about.

At any rate, I made a copy of his letter for you to look at. I also attached what I wrote to Abu-Yahya in order to inform him and other brothers there.

In short, we gave him permission to go to Libya.

For clarification: Anas' morale has been very bad since he came to us from Iran, and you know that from Iran he sent his wife and children, even the oldest two ('Abdallah and 'Abd al-Rahman) who are young men. When he arrived here, he seemed upset, worried, and depressed.

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In general, he is hard to get along with and he is not comfortable with most brothers. The brothers, with my knowledge and Abu Yahya's knowledge, always tried to give him an empty space to get him comfortable in and to have one or two brothers serve him. In short, his situation was worrying and he was calling his wife in Libya, in spite of knowing that communication was banned and in spite of knowing that he is considered dangerous and wanted by the Americans. He used the phone repeatedly. When the current Libyan revolution started and when he learned that brother 'Urwah al-Libi, aka Abu Malik al-Libi, who was with him in prison in Iran and travelled there and called him and encouraged him and informed him that route was easy, he got very excited and wrote what he wrote.

We ask God for success and aid to us and to all the brothers.

Did you read the file that I sent to you a few months ago under the title "Terrorize Them" and did you comment on it? The brother has thoughts, requirements, and activities. He needs some instructions from you or Abu Muhammad because honestly, he does not listen to me or to others here.

Regarding the brothers in Iran, a coordinator for me there sent some generic news without details. He said that some of the higher brothers got out and they are wondering what to do with them. I responded to him immediately and asked him for details and told him that all high brothers should come to us and we are waiting for them.

Brother ((Abu al-Samah)) al-Masri left and now he is in Iran. It seems that he resumed media activities and communications under the title "Jama'at al-Jihad" as you can see in an attached file.

Also, brother (('Abdallah Rajab)) al-Libi (previously known as Abu al-Ward) left and he is in Iran too.

Also, Abu Malik al-Libi, who is one of the prominent brothers in the Combating Group, left to Libya. He stayed in Iran and he did not come to us. About a month ago, he traveled to Libya and he got there safely. He called some of the brothers. We are also in touch with him through the internet and we await his messages. He is one of the important brothers in the field and we expect him to have a role in Libya.

I believe that in the past, I told you that the sons of ((Abu al-Khayr)) al-Masri and their families (one of them is married to the daughter of ((Abu Muhammad)) al-Masri and he is the brother-in-law of Hamzah. I do not know who the other one is married to) left and they are now in Baluchistan. We made arrangement for them there and told them to disappear in there until further notice. I sent a letter to them and explained our situation to them. They are in Baluchistan with one of the good and trustworthy brothers. We might take Hamzah to them and keep him under the Baluchi brothers.

This is the summary of the letter.

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I wrote to brother 'Urwah in my response to him that we can think about this and can reach something acceptable on this matter. I will forward the idea to the leadership. He might have already informed the Libyan brothers and they might have informed the Brits. We do not have confirmation, of course. Perhaps 'Urwah will have something new in the next message, despite of being very busy in Libya.

This is what happened.

Note: I got rid of all the cards (chips) that were between us in the past. I broke them and destroyed them. Now I use new cards with you. Please, I need you to break and destroy the previous cards and use new ones. We should do this each time we change the cards.

Also, please forgive me for sending a short letter to brother Aslam, which I need you to give to him. It states that the sum of money that I sent to him with your letters is his agreed upon sponsorship.

We await your letters and news

God's peace, mercy and blessing be upon you

Mahmud

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