To Shaykh ((Mahmud)),

I am sure that you are following up on the news media on the events taking place; the downfall of the Tunisian tyrant, the revolutions taking place in Egypt, Yemen, Libya, Oman, and the protest marches in Algeria, Morocco, Jordan, and Lebanon.

These are gigantic events that will eventually engulf most of the Muslim world, will free the Muslim land from American hegemony, and is troubling America whose Secretary of State declared that they are worried about the armed Muslims controlling the Muslim region. We also note that Egypt is the most important country, and the fall of its regime will lead into the fall of the rest of the region’s tyrants, and the existing international situation doesn’t allow the West to support ((Mubarak)) and the West’s position towards the Libyan revolution is a weak one. All of this indicates that the Western countries are weak and their international role is regressing.

What is taking place today is critical to our nation, whose religion for centuries has been attacked. Circa two decades ago, the events to correct the situation in Syria, Algeria, Egypt and Yemen failed; and we have to exert all efforts to safeguard the Muslim’s actions in the bigger revolutions that are taking place today, and have the countries abide by the Shari’a laws. Up till the moment, there isn’t anyone who is performing the important duty of guiding the nation to adhere to the Shari’a laws, and in previous speeches I have suggested that the true Muslims form a Shura (TN: Consultation) Council to follow up on the nation’s issues and to extend their advice to them. Time is passing, nothing was done, and it is for the Mujahidin to carry this duty to liberate the nation and restore the glory of its religion.

Though the Mujahidin have several duties to perform, their main duty now is to support the revolutions taking place. Although carrying Jihad in Afghanistan until we impose the laws of God in
that country is an important duty that we are carrying out and are able to bleed the main infidel (TN: America), yet our main duty now is to liberate the billion and a half people and have them get hold of their holy places. Our Jihad in Afghanistan encouraged the nation to rise to get rid of the pressure imposed by the agents of America; the country that believes it is the great power that can wipe out or elevate whomever it wants. The nation members acted and carried their popular uprisings, and most of these uprisings love Islam. We in Afghanistan aren’t encountering a popular uprising but are encountering the widespread strong actions of a Jihadist Movement.

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History taught us that the people in revolt will change the existing situation, and we at the moment should exert our efforts to guide them and to prevent their being represented by the half-solution people such as (TN: the Muslim) Brotherhood, and we hope that the next stage will be the reinstating of the rule of the Caliphate. As to the Muslim Brotherhood, we note that the young generation’s adhering to true Islam is a matter of time, as can be noticed by the Internet reply of Shaykh ((Abu Muhammad)) who is a Brotherhood member, in which he said that within the Muslim Brotherhood there are factions who now adhere to true Islam, and there is also a powerful Salafist faction within the Brotherhood.

Based on the above, it isn’t a good thing for us to remain fully occupied with the Afghanistan front, and we should work first on liberating the nation. We got what we wanted from the Afghanistan front by shattering the prestige of the world’s main infidel, and though we will continue our Jihad there, yet we should give our main attention to the Muslim nation’s revolution that should be illuminated with the monotheism dogma in order to reinstate the rule of the Caliphate.

We should increase our directed media efforts that call for a specific plan that we consult, agree upon and adhere to. I believe that our actions for the forthcoming stage of events should be:

1: Support the people and encourage their rebellion against the rulers.

2: The post-rulers’ eviction stage is to be an education stage and the correction-of-notions stage.
We should guide the nation by mobilizing our literate writers, poets, and technicians to advise and guide the nation’s men, and we should leave the work in Afghanistan to the administrative and field men.

Upon your receipt of my letter, your administrative work in Waziristan will end, and you are to appoint the person (NFI) to succeed you. You will quickly make arrangements for your safe travel from your area to Peshawar and its suburbs till such time we arrange for you a quiet house in the area that we are in, in which you can contemplate, produce, carry out the above-mentioned task, follow up on the media work, and communicate with us to exchange and revise our ideas to be addressed to the nation, and to verbally discuss the monumental event that is taking place.

Before I end, I note that my words on this matter might be different from my words on other subject covered in our previous correspondence, because we have to really mobilize now due the great event taking place.

(End of translation)