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Greetings,

We would like to apologize to the brother, Dr. ar-Rantisi, for the faults that impaired the website's performance for quite some time and thus caused a delay in having this delightful conversation with the fighting doctor.

I have a few questions for the doctor:

What are the most important characteristics of the Palestinian political message of Hamas movement, and how can we distinguish it from other messages that are presented in the Palestinian arena?

What is its influence on the Palestinian arena in regard to compliance or consent?

The honorable brother, the general supervisor [of the forum] – may Allah bless you.

Hamas is a religious movement, and wherever the law of Allah goes, it goes. Hamas believes that the law [of Allah] does not permit to abandon the land of the Muslims if it is usurped. If the usurped land

is a blessed land on the one hand and an Islamic Waqf land on the other hand, then abandoning it is strictly forbidden. On account of this we refuse to abandon even an inch of Palestine. If today we are unable to liberate it, then tomorrow we will be able to do it. We believe that we can establish our state upon any part of Palestine that will be liberated without abandoning the rest of Palestine. Therefore, from our point of view, even if we will establish our state upon 90% of Palestine's area, it will not lead to a permanent solution - that is, we will not believe that this solution will bring about the end of the conflict with the enemy - whereas the political message of the [National Palestinian] Authority is based on establishing a Palestinian state upon 22% of Palestine's area and accepting the abandoning of 78% of our homeland along with putting an end to the conflict with the enemy forever.

What is the strategy of Hamas? Is it fighting until victory is won, or is there a possibility of entering peace talks with the Zionist entity for a specific amount of time and then the Palestinian people will decide what they want? If your memory serves you right – Do you remember that seven years ago, at the time of the events of 1996, with the killing and wounding of many people on account of explosions performed by the holy fighters, several newspapers have informed us about a possibility of reconciliation with the Israeli entity for a short time of up to ten years, and after that the Palestinian people will reach their self-determination?

We believe that if our nation would have wanted to win the victory, it would have done so, because we dominate its elements, such as numbers, abilities, geography, culture and ideology. We believe that the nation will certainly not lie dormant for long and that it will soon awaken from its slumber, with the help of Allah. Our role now has become limited to entering a war of attrition with the enemy, which will help weakening it, putting a stop to its hostility and preventing it from contemplating the realization of its dream of expansion from the Euphrates to the Nile. Furthermore, this war will coerce it [the enemy] to withdraw from its clinging to our land, and when it will leave cities in the Gaza [Strip] and in the [West] Bank, it will not be due to its wish for peace, but due to its wish for safety. The enemy has already fled before the blows of the holy fighters. Since we [said] that we will never accept an option of abandoning even an inch of Palestine, our announcement that we accept a ceasefire included a time-limit, and this does not contradict our religion and ideology. The ceasefire means that after this period of time ends, we are entitled to act in order to liberate the rest of our land. However, due to these generous suggestions that are presented by the [Palestinian]

Authority, the Zionist enemy will certainly not consider the suggestions of ceasefire that threaten its existence, and therefore, the only choice that remains is to continue to struggle and wage war of attrition as long as the Occupation continues to exist.

Some people spread the claim that Hamas was born through an American or Israeli initiative meant to strike at the Fatah movement? What do you have to say about that?

We live today in a time when the nations are rushing in upon us, led by the USA and its tool – the Zionist entity. In their war against us, they have used every old and new device, while one of their devices is to wage a war of rumors against us. When the USA and the Zionist enemy have comprehended that the coming danger which threatens their hold of the area is Islam, and when they knew for certain that the contemporary Islamic movement is capable of rousing the nation so that it will return once again to its culture and ideology, even if it will take some time – for this reason it is not at all strange that they employ a war of rumors against the Islamic movement, which is the strategic enemy of the USA and its stepchild. They have spread this rumor even though it does not bear fruit due to its contradiction with reality - The Islamic movement was struck by the [Palestinian] Authority, and did not even respond to the [Palestinian] Authority, and what happened in Oslo is an agreement between the [Palestine] Liberation Organization and the Zionist enemy. In the article about counter-terrorism in this agreement it says to oppose the Islamic movement, and based on this the [Palestinian] Authority was established.

Furthermore, do the propagandists of these lies not see that our operations, and especially our suicide operations, were executed against the Zionist enemy and that they have frightened it and sent it in search for someone that will cause us to retreat? The propagandists of these rumors should not forget that we are a religious movement and that our concern is the satisfaction of Allah and the vexing of the enemies of Allah. We consider cooperation with the USA and the Zionism against any Muslim or any wronged person as a betrayal of Allah, His apostle and His believers. In conclusion, I would like to say that the propagandists did not present even one piece of evidence to support their lie, and therefore we say to them: "Say: 'Produce your proof, if ye are truthful'" [Surat al-Baqara, 111; Surat an-Naml, 64].

How do you see the current situation in the Palestinian arena? Do you consider the possibility of the Palestinian people achieving victory over the usurping [Zionist] entity?

The Palestinian arena witnesses nowadays a state of kinship, like which it has not witnessed before. There is a Palestinian consensus of the people and the factions regarding the Intifada and the resistance, and there is awareness to the true intentions of the Zionist enemy, which are as far from peace as can be. The Palestinian people, despite their daily suffering, live in a state of grandeur and self-pride in their extraordinary defiance before the most impertinent military force in the area – the morale here is very high and our people's ability to give is superb and their will is as hard as steel.

However, the complete victory upon the Zionist enemy is simply and solely in the hands of Allah the Mighty and Great – "... Victory is only from Allah..." [Surat A'al Imran, 126] – and I believe that achieving victory requires the capabilities of the entire nation. Even so, we are winning daily victories in the field which the Zionist enemy cannot deny, and we have achieved an important state of awareness in the Arab and Islamic streets, which will have the utmost effect upon the future of the usurping entity.

How do you respond to people who say that the martyrdom operations are suicide operations and a self-casting into perdition?

A man once came to the apostle of Allah – may Allah pray on him and grant him peace - and said: "O apostle of Allah! When one man fights enthusiastically and boldly and another fights only to show off, which of them fights in the cause of Allah?". The Prophet said: "He who fights so that Allah's Word is superior, then he fights in Allah's cause". Thus, when someone explodes himself in order to put an end to his life because he cannot bear this life anymore, this is suicide. When someone explodes himself amidst the enemies of Allah so that Allah's Word is superior, this is the top of the martyrdom. Times have proved that the people who are most prepared to execute martyrdom operations are the most pious and most believing youths. We all remember the story about the boy of the people of the ditch, who directed the king to kill him so that the people will say: "we believe in the lord of the boy". Furthermore, what will we say to the venerable companion who hurled himself into the wall during the wars of apostasy in order to open the gate of the garden, despite the swords that were awaiting him and then surrounded him? Does anyone has anything else to say after the Fatwas of the best of

modern scholars, and at their head the honorable scholar, the sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi, who considered the executors of these operations to be the best of martyrs?!

In any case, you will certainly be unable to find even one person who calls these operations 'suicide operations', unless he is a scholar that judged and made a mistake.

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In the name of Allah, the Compassionate and Merciful;

Prayer and peace be upon the Seal of the Prophets and Apostles, our lord Muhammad, and upon his good and chaste family, and upon his noble and blessed companions and those who follow them in goodness until the Day of Judgment...

A blessing of honor and praise to the holy fighters in Palestine - we adhere to you and pray to Allah to help you; "that He will help us with you and through you", and know that the hearts of the Islamic nation are with you everywhere, and that it wishes to be with you in the fields of martyrdom...

I would like to present a few questions:

1. What kind of relations exists between Hamas and the rest of the Palestinian factions (Fatah, the Islamic Jihad, etc.)?

Most excellent brother Bu 'Abdallah, may Allah preserve him;

I thank you for your kind words, and I pray to Allah that they will be incorporated into your balance of good deeds. As for our relations with the [Palestinian] factions, they are most excellent in regard to unity, meetings and semi-daily coordination of all of the Intifada operations. We are all targets of the enemy, and we all agree on the choice of resistance.

2. Is there any change in the way you are dealing with the [Palestinian] Authority, particularly after the release of the prisoners?

In our dealing with the [Palestinian] Authority, we have endeavored not to clash with it, whatever harm may befall us, in addition to our utter rejection of its political plan that relies upon the Oslo Accords. To this day our policy has not changed, but the policy of the [Palestinian] Authority in dealing with us is fickle, and the reason for this fickleness is the [Palestinian] Authority's lack of independence in dealing with us, since it is obligated to security agreements that compel it to pursue us. As for the prisoners, there are still [unreleased] prisoners, for example but not limited to, 'Abdallah al-Barghuthi and Bilal al-Barghuthi, whose accusations are - unfortunately - fighting the Occupation.

3. What is the reason for Hamas' objection to the establishment of an emergency government? Is it the Oslo Accords and what followed thereafter?

We did not object to the establishment of an emergency government, and to this moment the [Palestinian] Authority has not presented to us the [idea of] emergency government. Everything you hear about this matter is suggestions of Palestinian personalities, and to this day these suggestions did not receive any positive response from the [Palestinian] Authority. I believe that the reason that the [Palestinian] Authority does not respond is its obligations, as decreed by the Oslo Accords and what followed thereafter.

4. Is there any relation between Hamas and the other Jihadi movements, led by the 'al-Qaeda' organization of the holy fighter Osama Bin-Laden and Hezbollah in the liberated south of Lebanon?

We never refrain from establishing ties that may benefit us in our Jihad in Palestine. However, despite the bond of amity that ties us with everyone, there are no relations in the military cooperation level, and it may be that the complexions of the security situation and the borders prevent this kind of cooperation, which we very much desire, to form.

5. Does Hamas receive material support from the Arab and Islamic governments and does it receive part of the donations, or are they all poured into the [Palestinian] Authority?

You know that the USA categorizes Hamas as a terror organization, and that makes it dangerous for the regimes, which do not wish in the least to clash with the USA, to support it [Hamas]. Therefore, the support that is given to Hamas relies upon the donations of Muslims, who do not want their names revealed, and may Allah bestow good upon them for us, for Palestine and for the Jihad.

6. What is your strategy for the current phase and are you capable of confronting the Israelis using asymmetrical warfare (if the situation will not worsen and Israel will conquer the autonomous territories), especially before the feebleness of the Arab rulers?

Before us stand only two options: either we surrender and raise a white flag, abandon our homeland and sacred places and accept the humiliation of the Occupation and its massacres, or we could fight the enemy despite the power balance that inclines to his favor. We have chosen the latter option, and with the help of Allah we were able to create a state of deterrence balance, and today it [the enemy] pays dearly for its crimes. We have managed to achieve this balance despite the silence of the [Arab] rulers and we pray Allah to give them guidance. Had the Arab rulers stood with us in our battle, the balance would have shifted towards us, but what we wish of them today is at least to break off the relations with the enemy and not to contact it, and to cease all political, diplomatic, economic, security and media forms of normalization towards it in every level. Furthermore, we wish them to give the material support that is required to treat the tragedies that result from the resistance and are witnessed by everyone through the television screens – the wrecked houses, the swept-away fields, the widows and the orphans and the consequences of the blockade, such as starvation and unemployment - what caused pain to the workers is enough; then, [we wish them to] support the Jihadi operations that require a very ample budget.

7. Is there a way to organize the Arab and Muslim holy fighters within the ranks of Hamas (following the example of the Arab

Afghans and the holy fighters in Chechnya and Bosnia in the past), especially since the issue of Palestine is our core issue, and since there is an unruly desire in Muslim youths everywhere to help Islam and liberate Jerusalem?

The Jihad in Palestine still relies upon the strength of the holy fighters in Palestine, but it is not farfetched that in the future there will be a need for the strength of Muslims outside of Palestine, and then it will be easy for any brother who wants to participate in the Jihad in Palestine to be granted his wish, for our battle with this enemy will be long and it will require every ounce of strength.

8. What is the message that you would like to convey to the Arabs, the Muslims, the people of the [Persian] Bay and your brothers in Bahrain?

We are an honorable nation with a culture, values and morals. Allah has strengthened us with this religion - "Certainly We have revealed to you a Book in which is your good remembrance; what! Do you not then understand?" [Surat al-Anbiya, 10] – but in our foolishness, we have strayed off the path and left the Quran in disuse. Therefore, Allah has lowered us to the end of the column – a handful of Jews usurp Jerusalem and we, over 1.25 million people in number, remain immobile. Al-Farouq 'Omar has spoken the truth when he said: "we are a nation whom Allah has strengthened with Islam; therefore, whenever we will seek the power without Islam, Allah will lower us". On account of this, I call to anyone reading this message to examine his faith and to act in order to help his religion, because in it there is help to this nation – "...if you help (the cause of) Allah, He will help you..." [Surat Muhammad, 7]. I bid you to give any help possible to the holy fighters in Palestine, and the apostle - may Allah pray on him and grant him peace – said: "Whoever did not go out for Jihad or thought of doing so, has died on a branch of hypocrisy" [Saheeh Muslim], and he also said: "He who equips a fighter [in the way of Allah] is as if he has taken part in the fighting himself..." [al-Bukhari and Muslim], and he added: "...and he who looks after the dependents of a Ghazi in his absence, is as if he has taken part in the fighting himself" [al-Bukhari and Muslim]. Thus, if you are unable to perform Jihad in person, fight with your money, and may Allah bless you.

We thank you deeply; may Allah preserve you from any harm.

Peace be upon you, and the mercy of Allah and His blessings.

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Peace to our dear friends in Palestine,

Dr. ar-Rantisi,

How are Palestinian citizens encouraged to perform martyrdom operations? If one of the brothers from Bahrain wished to perform a martyrdom operation within the Occupied territories, how can he reach your offices (I apologize, I know it is difficult to answer this question, and if I cannot receive an answer here, how can we reach you in order to ask you)? How can we support you in the financial and the media fields? This is an important matter for the continuation of an armed Jihad against the Zionists.

Finally, I would like to send a warm greeting to every holy fighter in our land and to every holy fighter that preserves our honor. You are our dear friends – our fathers are there, our mothers are there, our sons are there, our brothers are there and our sisters are also there; their honor is being trampled there; their youth, their children, their elders – all are being killed there. There is fire in my heart, and how can I extinguish it...?

Dear brother Ismahan, may Allah preserve him;

I give you thanks for the nice opening, and I will answer your question thus:

As far as true faith is considered, different forces pull a person back and forth – the love for this world pulls him towards adherence to life, and if he believes that there is something better than the finery of life in this world, he will make haste to that which is better. How can martyrdom be unacceptable to those who believe in the words of Allah the Mighty and Great: "And if you are slain in the way of Allah or you die, certainly forgiveness from Allah and mercy is better than what they amass" [Surat A'al 'Imran, 157]? This is the Quranic incitement, whereas the incitement in reality is the blood of our

children and the body parts of our women and elders which we see in live bloody sights, and the operations of humiliation performed by the corrupted Jews - operations that have no counterpart in Nazism, Fascism or Communism. Our role is to deepen the faith in the hearts of our people through Quranic education.

For those who wish to perform a Jihadi act from outside of Palestine, perhaps there will be a need for that in the future, as I have said earlier.

For those who wish to donate money in order to help the people that were harmed during this war, here is the account number: The Arab Bank – Gaza, account number 36444, the sheikh Ahmad Yassin. As for the support in the media, this conversation is part of it, alongside participating in open TV programs for holy fighters against the hostile Jews, writing articles, and arranging parades and seminars and other means.

Surely Allah is with the steadfast.

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In the name of Allah the Compassionate and Merciful;

"There should be no hostility except against the oppressors" [Surat al-Baqara, 193].

Prayer and peace be upon the most honorable of mankind and their lord, our master Muhammad Bin 'Abdallah, and upon his family and companions and those who followed his right path.

Allah the Praised said: "And we had made known to the children of Israel in the Book: 'most certainly you will make mischief in the land twice, and most certainly you will behave insolently with great insolence. So when the promise for the first of the two came, we sent over you our servants, of mighty prowess, so they went to and fro among the houses, and it was a promise to be accomplished'" [Surat al-Israa, 4-5] - Thus spoke truly Allah the Mighty.

The honorable brother, Dr. 'Abd al-'Aziz ar-Rantisi,

We stand by you with our hearts and our souls in your holy Jihad against the usurping Jews, and we pray humbly to Allah the Elevated and All-powerful to help you and establish your feet firmly.

The enemies had rushed in upon you - from the collaborationist Palestinian Authority, through the traitorous and feeble Arabs and to the cursed USA, and Allah has helped you and guided your steps.

We have a question that we hope you can answer:

Why is there no coordination between you and the struggling Islamic movements in the world, for example: why is there no coordination between you and the fighting sheikh Osama Bin Laden, and the holy fighters in Chechnya, Kashmir and Hezbollah?

There are many benefits in that, like the abundance of weapons, the training of Palestinian holy fighters and the enhancement of force.

May Allah give you the best reward for the nation of Islam.

Dear brother Kahilan 1, may Allah preserve him;

I give you thanks for your kind words, and may Allah bless you.

As for your question, I have already answered a similar question, and with the help of Allah you can go back to it.

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In the name of Allah the Compassionate and Merciful; prayer and peace be upon the loyal spirit, Muhammad Bin 'Abdallah, and upon

his family, the good and chaste torches of the right path and the light of piety, and upon his chosen companions and those who follow them in goodness until the Day of Judgment.

Peace be upon you, O Abu 'Abdallah al-Hussein, and peace be upon the spirits that died with you; peace be upon the pious martyrs in Palestine – peace be upon you and the mercy of Allah and His blessings.

It is a great honor, my lord, O gallant hero, to talk to you here and it gives me great pleasure to be among those who discuss with you the future of the primary issue of every Muslim that believes in Allah as his god and in Muhammad as his prophet. We pray to Allah to end this ordeal soon and fast enough. If Allah wills it, He will help, and the victory is at hand.

My lord, what is it that causes the assassination of political and military heroic leaders in Palestine to be of such ease? Why do you not maintain a certain amount of secrecy in your movements inside and outside of the [Palestinian] Authority territories?

My noble brother, I give you greetings and hold you in my esteem. Regarding the assassinations, they are the easiest thing to do for anyone who wishes it. All the security measures in the world may not be enough to prevent the assassinations, and that is the reason that Kennedy was assassinated and Rabin was assassinated and al-Sadat was assassinated. However, the Zionist enemy fails many times in achieving its goal, and we as politicians cannot hide ourselves completely or it would ruin our job. Therefore, we take as much protective measures as we can, and after that we put our trust in Allah the Praised. I believe that the best protection to our leaders and cadres is to make the enemy pay a dire price for every crime it commits.

2. Is there any truth to the reports about the arms deal between Hamas organization and the separatist ETA organization (the organization that demands the separation of the Basque province from Spain)?

There is no truth in it.

3. A message that you address to the youth of the Islamic nation (Sunnis, Shiites) demands them to unite and refrain from

factional abuse. I ask for no less than 5 lines, which would help us with it in order to bring closer their points of view. What would they be?

The most dangerous thing that the nation faces today is separation and division, especially at this time in which we face the forces of evil, all of which have united to confront us and to deprive us of our freedoms. It is enough that the point of departure for [the midnight journey of] our apostle, may Allah pray for him and grant him peace, [i.e. Jerusalem] groans under the burden of the Occupation. Allah the Praised says: "And (as for) those who disbelieve, some of them are the guardians of others; if you will not do it, there will be in the land persecution and great mischief" [Surat al-Anfal, 73], and the following words from Allah the Mighty and Great command us to press our ranks together: "And hold fast by the covenant of Allah all together and be not disunited..." [Surat A'al Imran, 103]. He also warns us of the outcome of deviation and says: "... and do not quarrel for then you will be weak in hearts and your power will depart..." [Surat al-Anfal, 46]. How urgently we need today these notions, as we stand on the verge of a war that will most certainly be imposed upon our nation. Allah says: "Surely Allah loves those who fight in His way in ranks as if they were a firm and compact wall" [Surat as-Saff, 4].

If Allah wills it, we shall soon return once again.

My greetings and kisses to you.

Member of the committee for bringing the Islamic schools together.

If Allah wills it, we shall return and we send you our greetings and kisses.

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In the name of Allah, the Compassionate and Merciful;

"If Allah assists you, then there is none that can overcome you..."
 [Surat A'al Imran, 160] – Thus spoke truly Allah the Mighty.

I am pleased to carry on a discussion with you and to let you hear our
 voice that supports you and the path that you walk.

My question is as follows:

The Arab governments, and among them the governments of the
 [Persian] Gulf states, express their wish for normalization with the
 usurping [Zionist] entity in our country, in Palestine, whenever the
 negotiating parties reach a form [of relations] that allows coexistence
 - one can confirm this by reading the statements of officials in the
 Kuwaiti ministry of foreign affairs, which had been published in the
 Kuwaiti newspaper "Ar-Ray al-'Aam".

Doesn't this constitute for you one more reason to think that there is
 no need for you to remain in the field, for you will not be allowed to
 do things that you are allowed to do now?

I hope you will accept my wishes of health and well-being, if Allah
 wills it.

'Ali Bu Hussein.

My dear brother, 'Ali Bu Hussein, may Allah preserve him;

We are fully aware of the fact that many regimes do not sense the
 danger that the remaining of this enemy in Palestine forms for them,
 and therefore they consider the normalization [of their relations] with
 it for fear of its evil, but this is nothing but a fantasy. We are also
 aware of the fact that there are many people who are disturbed by our
 Jihad, without mentioning any specific names, but we are confident
 that we are the destiny decreed by Allah in this period of time, and
 we are also confident that Allah will not abandon us, if he wills it.

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