



## **AQIM Claims Responsibility for Killing American Christopher Leggett June 24, 2009**

### **Al-Qaida's Committee in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM): "Claim of Responsibility for the Killing of the American Christopher Leggett" Dated: June 24, 2009**



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"Thanks due to Allah, and prayer and peace upon Allah's messenger, and upon his family, companions and followers, and thereafter:"

"O nation of Islam, here are the grandchildren of Yousuf bin Tashfeen have climbed atop their horses, sharpened their swords, and gathered determination to purify the Islamic Maghreb from every crusader and apostate cooperative."

"At the time the beastly American bombs are harvesting our innocent Muslim brothers in Pakistan and Afghanistan, two knights from the knights of Islamic Maghreb—active in a brigade from among the organization's brigades in Mauritania—on the morning of Tuesday 23rd of Jumada ath-Thaneya, 1430 Hijra at Eight o'clock in Nouakchott, Mauritania, attacked the American 'Eljj (Non-Arab), known for his Christianization activities, Christopher Leggett, and with the grace of Allah we were able to assassinate him; killing him and purifying the land of Mauritanian from his crime."

"So, may the pure hands be blessed, and may are keep the knights loyal to their nation and religion, avengers for their innocent brothers, and those combating the crime of Christianization in the lands of Muslims."

"And, to the enemy of Allah Obama, I say:"

"Your presidency has begun with ugly crimes against the Muslims, and a scandalous bias towards the invasive Jews, and you have not yet learnt from the policies of your former idiot [president] Bush, so await that what will harm you."

"Via killing one of your 'Eljj, Christianizing in Muslim Lands, we remind you with the oath of our sheikh Usama bin Laden, may Allah protect him, and it is the oath we are very careful in accomplishing, we say:"

"I swear by Allah the greatest; He who raised the skies without columns, that neither America, nor those who live in America, will feel safety as long as we are not living it in actuality in Palestine, and until the crusader soldiers leave the [Arabian] Peninsula of Muhammad, prayer and peace upon him."

"And, to our dear nation in the Islamic Maghreb in general, and our people in Mauritania; the people of knowledge, patience and Jihad, in particular, I say: carry Jihad forth against the new

crusader campaign with your money, selves, and tongues, and stand in one rank with your Mujahideen people in Al-Qaida Organization in the Islamic Maghreb, and may you support and uplift them as they are the hope and the spear head that'll defend you and your religion. 'O ye who believe! Be ye helpers of Allah: as said Jesus the son of Mary to the Disciples: 'who will be my helpers to the work of Allah?' said the Disciples: 'we are Allah's helpers!' then a portion of the Children of Israel believed, and a portion disbelieved. But we gave power to those who believed, against their enemies, and they became the ones that prevailed.'<sup>1</sup> (Our'an, As-Saff Sura, Verse 14)"

"O Allah defeat the Jews, Christians, and their apostate cooperatives"

"O Allah support the mujahideen everywhere and sustain them with your ways  
Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar"

"Endearment is to Allah, His messenger and to [all] the believers."

"And, Allah's prayer and peace upon our prophet Muhammad and upon all his family and companions.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.usc.edu/schools/college/crcc/engagement/resources/texts/muslim/quran/061.qmt.html>