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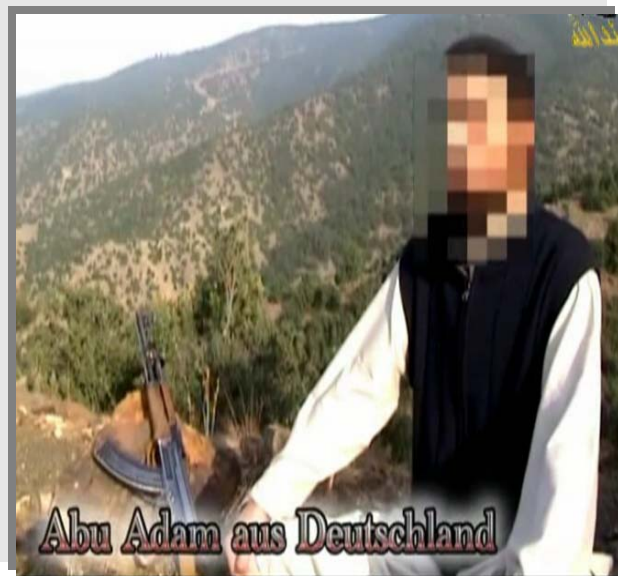


*[This document is the transcript of an excerpt from a German-language video obtained by NEFA investigators and translated into English on behalf of the NEFA TerrorWatch subscription service. The video features recorded messages from IMU fighters of German origin. The IMU has been named as a designated Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) by the U.S. State Department. According to the U.S. government, the IMU has "participated in attacks on U.S. and Coalition forces in Afghanistan and plotted attacks on U.S. diplomatic facilities in Central Asia."]*

#### Abu Adam aus Deutschland ["the German"]:

"To you, my family, beloved brothers and sisters in Germany... O' ye believers, glad tidings, glad tidings from the land of the martyrs. Glad tidings from Afghanistan since the invasion of the Americans, NATO and their allies—may Allah's wrath be upon them all—since their invasion of the country that became the graveyard of the Russians. Their soldiers are whining... they whine like little schoolgirls and their state funds lose your money at the level of billions. The fundamental mistake they made is that they took on the wrong [adversaries]. They have interfered in the affairs of the sons of Abu Bakr and Omar. The soldiers who love death as they love life and it has been their main mistake... The mujahideen... they fight like lions and their calls of 'Takbir' cause their enemies to tremble."

"My dear brothers and sisters, glad tidings from Afghanistan. With the permission of Allah... I speak to you now from recent conquests. Conquests and a victory which Allah... promised his believers. Dear brothers and sisters this knowledge is first-hand information, directly from the frontline... I will begin with the units in and around Afghanistan. Allah says... and keep firmly to the rope of Allah, and that is exactly what they did. More than 20 organizations are fighting here side-by-side with the same goal. All of their members and commanders have given their oaths of allegiance to a man who found its way into the hearts of each mujahid. A man who has proven that one drop of blood of a Muslim is worth more than the holy Kaaba, we speak of the mujahid Amir al-Mumineen Mullah Mohammad Omar."



"And also, in other parts of the world, various isolated organizations have given their oaths of allegiance to him. In Egypt, Libya, Algeria, in Morocco, in the Arabian Peninsula, and in Iraq and

in Pakistan. As far as the jihad in Afghanistan is concerned, there are currently about 30 mujahideen operations per day. About 75% of the country is already under our control, and only a few weeks ago, the mujahideen conquered four more regions that were occupied by the infidels. The Americans and their allies, as if they can afford it, just sent 500 U.S. soldiers here from Iraq, and this information is accurate. With Allah's help, a successful and blessed operation at the prison in Kandahar helped over 1100 prisoners to escape, including women and children and over 600 mujahideen fighters... And only a few days ago, with the French still here, the French commander taking over the command of the NATO forces was shown whom they must fight... A successful martyrdom operation in the center of Kabul near a French base dispatched over 10 men into the hereafter and there were more than 20 others wounded."

"And also in Pakistan, the mujahideen have confronted the Pakistani government and give them no rest. Each week, they feel the punishment of Allah. Also each week, there are many blessed operations. Only a few weeks ago, there were two blessed martyrdom operations, at one of their armories in the center of the capital Islamabad and, some days later, the blessed operation at the [Marriott] hotel which killed more than 50 and wounded more than 100... The people of knowledge and our leaders are confident that, with Allah's help, the foundation of the Islamic State is near. Every week, brothers and sisters from all nations come here to meet their obligations. By doing so, they have made the decision to separate themselves three times and are striving here for a paradise garden which has the breadth of the sky and the earth. They close their businesses, interrupt their training, quit their studies and their jobs—leaving their familiar surroundings, their parents, and those dearest to them in order to join the path of making hijrah [a religious pilgrimage]. Together, they... bear the flag of the Shahadah, but once, we need to know my brothers and sisters, we are not the first ones to adopt [the cause of] jihad and nor shall we be the last to adopt the ways of our Prophet..."

"For years, they have come and fought. They fought in the cause of Allah. They killed, and were killed, achieved victory, conquest, booty... because of their capabilities, their sacrifice of their sweat and the offering of their blood, the blood of the martyrs. And for about 7 years, as the infidels came together united under one flag, poured billions in their cause, and invaded our lands, most of the Muslim world just stood by watching. [By contrast], they remained steadfast and fought together like they were a custom-made structure... Truly, Allah loves those who fight in his cause in battle formation, as if they were a structure of solid cement... To our beloved brothers and sisters; to our beloved brothers and sisters of Mesopotamia [Iraq]... Their hard work is the reason that we can always hold our heads high, and we have become fatigued in trying to keep up with you. We follow your jihad just as we do with our own. They [the Americans] left their borders, invaded your country, and have exceeded all limits. But praise be to Allah, they found strong faith in you and determination..."

"My beloved Islamic nation in Germany. O' ye who recognize Allah as Lord and are satisfied with him, with his messenger, and with Islam as your religion... It is mandatory for you to fight... Know... that we do not like to kill... but my dear brothers and sisters... perhaps that which you dislike may be good for you... The Quran was revealed to people who couldn't read and write... My dear brothers and sisters don't you want Allah's mercy... Will you not spend on behalf of the one who created you out of his mercy, [sacrificing] your soul and your possessions for paradise? ...My dear brothers and sisters... what cause do you have not to invest in this business or what can be a better deal?"

"My dear brothers and sisters, I do not say to you merely to come to the the land of jihad. Rather, I say to you, you should be racing one another to come to the land of jihad. We started years ago and, recently, we have founded in the meantime an international Islamist movement of ten nations. We are pleased to invite you to participate in jihad in Khurasaan ['Central Asia']. My dear brothers and sisters, join with us in huge numbers in solidarity. And know that the partisans are welcoming you with open arms... O' Allah, protect and safeguard our Amir al-Mumineen Mullah Omar, and protect and defend the the commander of our organization, Mohammad Tahir Farooq. O' Allah, protect and defend our teachers and patriarchs, Shaykh Usama Bin Laden and

Shaykh Ayman al-Zawahiri. O' lead Islam and the Muslim world to victory. O' Allah, liberate all our brothers and sisters in prison; heal and bring them back to us; and, protect and keep all our brothers and sisters who are on the path of hijrah and jihad. O' Allah, clarify matters on a personal basis for those who are still found living among the infidels and help them to join the path of hijrah. O' Allah, let us be honest to you always in your faith..."

**Muhammad Tahir Farooq (Commander of the IMU):**

"Come and join the ranks of the mujahideen and fill in the gaps of the already fallen martyrs. Come and do what you are capable of, and Islam shall be victorious. The infidels today, are a single front and unified together. Hence, my brothers and sisters, we are also a single unit and part of a single front in word and action confronting the infidels. Allah willing, [we will] find the path to victory or else die the deaths of martyrs as our Lord Allah has desired. What more else is there? For this reason, we invite our brothers and sisters. We invite you to our frontline of jihad... We invite you to martyrdom... Martyrdom, which the Prophet... has called for. And I remind you of the Hadith, that paradise lies under the shades of swords. My final word is to the brothers and the sisters: O' ye who believe fear of Allah and say to those of us who are true... All prayers go to Allah, Lord of the Worlds..."



**Abu Ibraheem aus Deutschland ["the German"]:**

"Shaykh ul-Islam Ibn Taymiyya said: 'the Islamic nation becomes puzzled during the time of fitnah [discord]. When we are in a time of fitnah, you must come and aid the mujahideen because they are rightly-guided. Provide your support for the mujahideen because they are rightly-guided.' His proof: the word of Allah."



**Abu Adam aus Deutschland ["the German"]:**

"By God, my brothers and sisters, these mujahideen do everything for Allah and his messenger. By God, I say one more time, they do everything for Allah and his messenger. One of them, a brother, he came for a few months to us. A brother from the deepest part of Sudan. He made the journey here. When he was en route and it became dangerous for him, he disguised himself as a woman. Another brother—just 15 years old and already aware of his duty—he also came here alone. To them we say... the best of success, my brothers."



**Abu Abdullah aus Deutschland ["the German"]:**

"My dear brothers and sisters in Germany: as you can clearly see, praise be to Allah, this has become a very family-friendly place. So, bring your wives and children. Praise be to Allah, there are living quarters here far away from the front. There are hospitals, pharmacies, doctors, and schools—schools in which our children not only learn about Islam, but



also all walks of life and obedience. That is why we advise you all to join together, revive, and live the cause of jihad with your entire family, just as our Prophet did... He lived it through it with his entire family. Come and live the life of the martyrs."

**Abu Ibraheem aus Deutschland ["the German"]:**

"My dear brothers and sisters: I advise every Muslim from the Islamic nation of Mohammed to give their oath of allegiance to Mullah Mohammad Omar. The Prophet... said the one who dies without giving an oath of allegiance will die in a state of ignorance."



**Ahmad aus Deutschland ["the German"]:**

"Regarding the issue of Denmark, we congratulate our brother Abu Gharib al-Makki for his blessed revenge attack on the Danish Embassy in Islamabad ... and if Allah desires, this will not be the last. Know that there are both men and women among us lining up for the chance to show their love for the Prophet—and they are ready to sacrifice their souls. This is the lesson for all nations: in the future, before you speak about the legacy of any Prophet, rinse your mouth out with honey first..."



**Commander Muhammed:**

"...My brothers and sisters in Germany, come and let us fight together. I love you for Allah's sake—and I am not a Berliner."

