



Muslim Brotherhood Rejects Al-Zawahiri Statements January 11, 2006

Statement from the Muslim Brotherhood on Ayman Al-Zawahiri Released on January 11, 2006



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“The Deputy Chief of Muslim Brotherhood, Dr. M. Habib refused earlier statements made by Mr. Ayman Al Zawahri, Al Qaeda No2 man, in which he criticized the Muslim Brotherhood for participating in the political process through recent parliamentary elections stressing that the MB denounce the use of violence or bearing arms as a mean of change and political reform.”

“In his remarks to the ‘Ikhwanonline’ website, the official Brotherhood site, Dr. Habib described Al zawahri statements as ‘utterly unrealistic’, adding; ‘the Muslim Brotherhood has its own agenda for change and reform, which they believe, can only happen by peaceful means and through different legal and constitutional channels. Resorting to force will open the doors wide for evil and create a total chaos in which those who think they are more powerful can overthrow governments regardless of its legitimacy,’ Habib added.”

“He reiterated, ‘the Muslim Brotherhood has long stated its acceptance of democracy and political pluralism as well as peaceful transfer of power through ballot boxes. Brotherhood believes in empowering the people to choose their own leaders and govern themselves within the boundaries of Islamic law.’”

“‘The Muslim Brotherhood is working to create a public pressure through lawful and constitutional channels and in a civilized and peaceful manner, and that could eventually force the regime to open up for reform and change,’ he illustrated.”