



Al-Qaida in Yemen Claims Suicide Bomb Attack on Korean Tourists

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**“Al-Qaidat al-Jihad Organization in the Arabian Peninsula: ‘Drive the
Idolaters Out of the Arabian Peninsula.’”**
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[This document is the translation of an Arabic-language statement obtained by NEFA investigators on behalf of the NEFA TerrorWatch subscription service. On two separate occasions—in March and September 2008—the U.S. Embassy in Sana’a was the target of suicide bombers, killing a total of more than 18 people. On April 8, 2008, the U.S. government ordered non-emergency diplomatic employees to leave the country due to concerns about “possible attacks by extremist individuals or groups against U.S. citizens, facilities, businesses, and perceived interests.”]

“The courageous martyred brother Abu Ubaidah al-Jarrah executed a martyrdom operation on a group of South Korean tourists, killing four of them and wounding others in the Hadramaut province, region of Shabam. This was executed in response to the order of Allah’s Prophet, prayers and peace be upon him, who said, ‘drive the idolaters out of the Arabian Peninsula’; for South Korea’s role in the war on Islam, allying with the crusader forces under the slogan of the ‘War on Terrorism’ in Afghanistan and Iraq; in revenge for the killing of the two courageous commanders Hamza al-Qaiti and Abdullah Batees and their brothers; and, the role of these tourists in corrupting the ideology of the Muslims and their morals, and their dangerous role in spreading Christianity among Muslim children—and so, this operation was executed.”

“And we have frequently and constantly rejected the covenants and charters of these idolaters arriving in the Arabian Peninsula—so they can only expect to be killed by entering the Arabian Peninsula to drink from the cup of death each day. Their blood will not be protected by the covenants and charters of the [Yemeni] government...”