



**Online Q&A with Ahmad
Mukhtar, Spokesman from the
Afghan Taliban Media Wing
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“Q. Do you have details that prove the claims of some media outlets regarding a go-between from the Saudis between you and Karzai’s apostate government?”

“A. Last year, during al-Hajj season, the Saudi government organized a gathering between members of the Karzai government and those Taliban who live under the compulsory state in Kabul like Abdulsalam Da’eef and others who do not represent the Islamic Emirate in anyway. The media outlets spread this news and the Saudi government claimed to be a mediator between the Taliban and Karzai government. But in reality, this did not happen at all...”

“Q. What is the relationship between you and the Pakistani Taliban and what are the differences, if any, and the relationship with the group who apply...Sharia in the Swat valley in Pakistan?”

“A. Our relation with the Pakistani Taliban is a relationship of approach and Jihad...There is nothing between us and them that we disagree about. The agreement that happened between them and the Pakistani government is an agreement that is the business of Pakistani Taliban and we have no role in it.”

“Q. Will you be satisfied with the pull out of the Americans from your homeland for your Jihad to stop or will you seek to free Palestine?”

“A. After removing America from our homeland and defeating them, we would then have achieved half of the work to free our occupied Muslim countries because with the collapse of America...NATO will collapse. And all the towers of tyranny will collapse in the region, including Israel and Zionism, which receives its military, economic, and political power from America.”

“Q. What is your letter to Iran as it helped in the collapse of the Islamic Emirate?”

“A. Our letter to Iran is: it is better for it to reserve itself by staying completely away from America because it is time for the American Empire to collapse as everyone who holds its tail at this time will become from among those who die.”

“Q. If you can give us a picture of the...struggle...in Afghanistan and the amount of sympathy of the Afghan Muslim people towards the mujahideen?”

“A. The current struggle in Kharasan between the soldiers of the Most Merciful and the supporters of the devil is stronger on the side of Allah’s soldiers over the cross worshippers; children of monkeys and pigs. Allah’s soldiers enjoy great popularity amongst the mujahid Afghani people, and without the people on our side, despite what the enemy does..., we wouldn’t have succeeded in turning the battle to our side and we wouldn’t have found a place to step in Afghanistan. Wars aren’t won with weapons, equipment, and supplies but with Allah’s support and then with...faith and popular support from the people of the land.”

“Q. How do you look at the increase in the crusader forces facing the Jihadi tide and could it be considered the last arrow they have?”

“A. Regarding the increase of forces on the crusader side, this shows the amount of their weakness and the weakness of their forces here. And it also shows how much the Afghani people despises them, as they cannot, despite the...expenses they spend in our land and with all the media directed against our people, convince them that they came to help them and help their originally torn-apart homeland because of the wars and disasters they encountered throughout time.”

“Q. Yes, we consider increasing their forces their last arrow, and if the Afghani people stand in their face as they did until now, then their stay won't last, Inshallah.”

“A. The Afghani people are a prideful people towards their nation and faith and a few dollars or conditional aid will not shake them away, despite their needs....”

“Q. What is the nature of your relation with the ISI and al-Qoqaz Islamic Emirate?”

“A. A relation of faith, approach, Jihad, and marching.”

“Q. What is the role of the Muslim Afghani woman in Afghanistan, and is it true what is rumored about you; forbidding education and oppressing the Afghani woman?”

“A. The role of women in Afghanistan is to raise the Jihadi generations and sacrifice them against the occupation and invasion. We do not forbid the Afghani woman from education, but we have restrictions that must come first before her education and work in the community. The callers of human rights are killing our women, children and elderly and accuse us that we forbid women from education...it is all lies.”

“They forbid her from life and bomb her with random raids and the best proof on this is the killing of more than 150 women and children in the state of Farah west of Afghanistan on 5-6-2009. At, at the same time, they claim to free her and give her human rights. Forbidding her from life is considered, according to Americans, giving her rights...really!!”

“Q. After this terrible war, will there be changes in your way of dealing with or looking at matters in the future? And if yes, what are the matters that'll change Allah-willing?”

“A. We sacrifice with our souls to liberate our country and people, and to raise the rule of Allah in our Islamic country, as whatever assures happiness and righteousness to our mujahid people we will do it, whether on the interior or exterior levels.”

“Q. Will the Emirate of Afghanistan become a center to attack Kufr targets in outside countries like Israel or will you be satisfied with solidifying security inside of Afghanistan?”

“A. Currently we are very busy with kicking out the occupying crusaders and their cooperatives from Afghanistan...and after liberating Afghanistan we will do what concerns us of principle Islamic missions Inshallah.”

“Q. Many reports and studies show that the Islamic Emirate in Afghanistan controls 70% of the total land of Afghanistan, and, according to these results, will we see in the near future 'the knockout hit' against the crusaders and apostates. Or will the Islamic Emirate adopt a strategy to liquidate the crusader enemy, so if he went into a long coma he will not get up, and the flags of Islamic Caliphate will ruffle high?”

“A. There’s a strong plan put [forward] by the leaders, and the Emirate has declared the ‘victory operations’. And we ask Allah to be fruitful and to make this year the year of liberation. America has been in a coma for a while, and today it is dying, and it knows that but refuses to show it.”

“Q. In...recent days, Agha Jan Mutasim—head of the political committee in the Islamic Emirate—...warned Pakistan, Iran and Tajikistan [about]... cooperating with the Americans in attacking Muslims in the Islamic Emirate in Afghanistan, especially since we know that Iran has allied with America in its...overthrowing of Islamic governance in Afghanistan, in cooperation with the rejectors of Northern Afghanistan, and also the...puppet government of Pakistan...So will our brother Ahmad Mukhtar give us a summary or details about the plots of neighboring countries with the crusaders to attack the Islamic Emirate, especially Iran and Tajikistan, because Pakistan’s war on Islam became apparent?”

“A. The betrayals the Islamic Emirate has faced are plentiful and anyone whose self drives him to mess with the Islamic Emirate will face the consequences. And, there are serious requests by America to the countries you mentioned to interfere directly in our affairs. And so we say that we will treat everyone who allies with the crusaders against the mujahideen in the same way; there’s no difference between the Americans and their cooperatives.”

“Q. Some rumors still say that the Islamic Emirate in Afghanistan receives a part of its financial income from drug trade...how do you respond to this false accusation?”

“A. I tell the brothers to not listen to the media that radicalizes our image and accuses us wrongly. This accusation is back to them as the U.N. has declared that the Taliban emirate has destroyed drugs...this is a testimony from an enemy...the drugs today are found in the regions controlled by America and its agents.”

“Q. What is the stance of the Taliban movement regarding the events of September 11th; does it support it or against it?”

“A. Our stance regarding the events of September 11th is resembled in the verse that says [Baqara 194] The words ‘from’ and ‘on you’ in the verse refer to the Muslim public, as he who harms Muslims whether in Afghanistan, Palestine, Iraq or others of Muslim countries, then it is rightful for Muslims too to return the harm like how they harmed them.”

“Q. Do you have relations with the Pakistani Taliban and do you coordinate on operations? And will we witness an operation soon inside the house of Kufr America?”

“A. We do have relations with the Pakistani Taliban, but we do not coordinate on that the Pakistani Taliban carries out inside of Pakistan. You will witness the defeat of America soon at the hands of your Mujahideen brothers.”

“Q. What is the estimate of the current situation in Afghanistan and Pakistan? And is the situation still capable of accepting brothers from the outside? Or is the situation worse than it was before?”

“A. Be assured that the situation in the trenches of Jihad inside of Afghanistan is on the side of the mujahideen. And for he who honestly and loyally wants to participate with his brothers, Allah will facilitate his matter and facilitate all trouble.”

“Q. Do al-Qaeda’s mujahideen play a big role in the Afghani Jihad?”

“A. Those who carry [out] jihad in Afghanistan are the mujahideen of the Islamic Emirate. And those on the side of the migrated brothers operate for the Islamic Emirate and they do not claim for themselves to belong to other organizations but the Islamic Emirate. The mujahideen all carry Jihad under the command of the Islamic Emirate against the crusader occupation, and their role is effective and constructive in fighting the occupiers and thanks due to Allah.”

“Q. 15 years or more have passed since the establishment of Taliban. What has changed? What did it provide the Arabic and Islamic nation? What did it give to the children of its country, except for continuous wars and forcefully attempting to spread Islam using power and weapons?”

“A. Whatever we give to this religion, we will still be short and we do not claim to be perfect. But we seek with all we have to glorify Islam and Muslims. And, ask the Muslim Afghani people about what we have provided, and that is why today they help us with all they have because they know the appreciation of the Islamic Emirate. The greatest of what the Afghani people dreamt of is security and safety, and this is what the Taliban Islamic Emirate has provided until some Westerners said: Qandahar became safer than New York. It is enough glory that we established the Islamic Sharia and we didn't suck up to the enemies although we could have. But we will not sell our Islam.”

“This talk that you said is what the enemies say about the call of our kind Prophet, so they say: what did you prophet give you besides fighting and death? What did you gain from declaring an Islamic Emirate in Medina? Didn't he have the kuffar turn on him? Didn't they sanction him in al-Khandaq battle? Didn't they sanction before it the people inside Abu Talib residence until the kind [prophet] companions ate tree leafs? He who does not understand the nature of battle between Islam and Kufr undoubtedly will say something like that. Fighting and Jihad is continuous till judgment day, and the battle between Islam and Kufr is not an hour but until the hour of judgment. And you should know that the enemy targeted us and was planning on attacking us as they reject any country that governs with the Islamic Sharia. But Allah-willing, after their defeat, the entire nation will see the great goodness, and the happy person is the one who Allah accepts as a martyr and servant to this faith.”

“Q. The matter of reality is that in the nineties you were tolerant with the traders of drugs. Isn't it a priority of reality to encourage the education of women and her role in the market with logical restrictions...?”

“A. These are clear mistakes. The United Nations confessed that the Taliban Movement destroyed drugs and this is a confession from the enemy. We all know who trades with drugs...there is a fatwa for al-Khawni (the highest Shiite authority). He mentioned in his book 'the path of rescue' part 3, page 417, and the question says: is it allowed to harvest Heroin and sell it, especially with the possibility of benefiting from it with good results? Al-Khawni answers: there is no prohibition in that unless the results could be harmful. While, Islam prohibits taking, selling or buying drugs, so do you now know who tolerates the drugs dealers?”

“Q. What is the stance of the Taliban movement on the killing of innocent Muslims, Christians, and Jews outside Afghanistan?”

“A. We never in any day created fitna. That is why your talk must be directed to the other side. Who kills Muslims in Iraq? Who killed 4000 Iraqi children because they were named Omar? Who initiated occupying Afghanistan and Iraq? Defending one's self isn't fitna.”

“Q. I know this question is big for your brains as you are an original movement in the current reality and you do not have any strategy to liberation despite the well intentions of most of you. But if you claim that there is such strategy for you to liberate Afghanistan, how will you treat the movements that kill innocents in America and Europe with the excuse of fighting the crusade and others of nonsense? With a simpler meaning to you: do you fight for regaining your land and pride or are you entering an open war with who you see the ultimate evil and kufr?”

“A. Anyone who makes peace with Muslims we will not harm him. And anyone who does not fight Islam and Muslims...we will not harm.”

“Q. We heard plenty of times about the missionary campaigns the crusader forces carry in Afghanistan next to the military campaigns, so will the Taliban carry awareness campaigns for the Muslim Afghani people so they won't fall into the net of Christendom?”

“A. Maybe you have seen what was aired on the satellite channels in audio and image regarding this case, but the Afghani people are jealous towards their religion and death for them is easier than rejecting their religion. All their attempts will result in failure. The Islamic Emirate continues awareness of Muslims and has released a statement in this matter that you can check on the website of the Emirate.”

“Q. The enemies of mujahideen in Jihad spread rumors that the Taliban was founded by the CIA to face the Communist tide, and they provide proof...that America supplied you with the stinger weapon during your war against the Soviets. So how do you answer this claim?”

“A. America has never supported us for one day, and we won't accept that. And in the previous war, they supported other groups and they're the ones who fought us and killed us after the Soviet Union's pull out. And, America did not give rockets until the last two years when matters were set and everyone knew the defeat of the Soviet Union [was imminent], so their support did not make things faster or slower. And as I said, they gave weapons to some groups who fought us. And, the Taliban was not existent at that time, as their current members were fighting as individuals not as groups, until Allah graced them to gibe Bai'a to Amir of believers after the fall of the Soviet Union and the spread of fitnas in Afghanistan. And, who today fights the Americans in Afghanistan? Who's rubbing their face in the mud? Who killed and injured thousands of them? Isn't it the Taliban Islamic Emirate? This is an accusation that no logical person will believe.”

“Q. What is your stance regarding the Hamas movement in particular, and the movement of the Muslim Brotherhood in general, and...figures [such as]...Ra'ed Salah, Ismail Haniya, and other leaders?”

“A. Our stance regarding the Islamic Resistance Movement Hamas in particular and the movement of Muslim Brotherhood in general [is] that we support the resistance of [the] Hamas movement against the Jews and Zionists. And we ask Allah to grace them with...benefits...and to give them victory over their enemies. And we support the resistance of the Muslim Brotherhood movement and we support their work that is compatible with Allah's laws.”

“Q. Is it true that the Taliban movement sought, when it was in the government, to control Pakistan and establish a nuclear Islamic State? Or is this just a rumor to justify attacking you?”

“A. Regarding establishing a nuclear Islamic country, we want, and for the Muslims, to have a strong nuclear Islamic state that horrifies the kuffar and attackers, but we did not seek at the time of our governance to control Pakistan or interfere in the affairs of any country... What the enemies publish regarding this are all rumors to justify their wicked invasion of Afghanistan and has no truth.”

“Q. Do you see al-Jazeera Channel as honest in their news regarding Afghanistan...?”

“A. ...according to our knowledge of...al-Jazeera Channel's [coverage of]...the news of the Islamic Emirate...they are honest, and it carries a good role amongst the rest of media outlets....we thank their correspondents in Afghanistan who have and still air the actual news from the heart of events. And we especially thank brother Tayseer Alloony—may Allah release him from imprisonment—and brother Sami al-Hajj, who tastes the bitterness of American jails and their allies because they were airing the actual events from Afghanistan.”

“Q. Has Hezb-e-Islami, under the command of Gulbudeen Hekmatyar, given bayat to the Amir of Believers, Mulla Muhammad Omar Mujahid, or is he carrying [out] Jihad outside of it? And how do you view the Hezb-e-Islami?”

“A. Hezb-e-Islami, under the leadership of Hekmatyar, did not give bayat to the Amir of Believers...we view him as a brother in belief and faith and we respect him.”

“Q. Why do you insist on supporting or interfering in the affairs of other nations...while the case in Afghanistan still isn't resolved? I speak in the manner that Taliban is an ally to al-Qa'eda!”

“A. First, we did not interfere in the affairs of other nations. But our support to the affairs of Muslims is our Islamic duty and the affairs of the Islamic nation is one case and isn't in parts...”

“Q. Palestine has been occupied for more than 63 years...why didn't you wake up on the case of Islam and Muslims as you now call it, until now?”

“A. The Palestinian case and all the Islamic cases are important to us, and your unawareness with that doesn't disprove anything. And, even if we assume that we just woke up now, isn't that a joyous and good matter? But, the problem is that some people did not wake up to the Palestinian case and not to the other cases of the nation. Also, many are using Palestine as symbols, while the mujahideen that face the American crusader campaign translate their talk into practice that all the Islamic Nation sees.”

“Q. In the case you saw and insulted the Palestinian people when Hamas and Fatah separated and you adopted the Palestinian case as a vision for yourselves as you are the people of separation and fighting...and this is what we saw in you after the Russian invasion of Afghanistan cleared. My question: what do you now want from the Palestinian people?”

“A. We did not insult and will not insult any Muslim. But, regarding what happened after the Soviet invasion...is a lesson. We had no hand in that, as we, thanks to Allah, finished the fitna and ruled with Sharia. And we kicked out the cooperatives and purified the land from them. And, we...want for the Palestinian people...all goodness and to make Allah's Sharia the rule amongst them, as there is no victory or dearness except with Allah's Sharia.”

“Q. What are the principles that the Taliban fights according to and will not accept to move away from and has no negotiations about?”

“A. Our principles are one and they are the Islamic principles that we never can step away or move from.”

“Q. Does the Taliban take into consideration the fatal American attempts to redo the Iraqi experiment of establishing allying tribal militias or separation between the movement's members?”

“A. They have tried that long time ago but their attempts resulted in failure. The Afghani people circulate around the mujahideen and the American projects will not fool them. And, also our experiences...helped us in failing all these projects. The mujahideen in Iraq, Allah-willing, stopped this puppet project after they thickened their Jihadist operations against them. The entire American project is falling into a deep valley.”

“Q. There is a media war against the mujahiden to disfigure their image and to make the Afghani people stay away from them. Do you work on telling the Afghani people the facts and unearthing these tricks, or will you leave the matter and not give it attention?”

“A. All their attempts were and will be a failure Allah-willing. Muslims today have a lot of awareness. Yes, we work on giving awareness to the Muslim Afghani people.”

“Q. I know that the treasury of the Emirate is about \$40 Million. How were you able to manage the country with a treasury that is not enough for a night for an Arab official?”

“A. We manage the Emirate with loyalty, honesty, wisdom, sacrifice, and asceticism.”

“Q. What is the view of the Taliban movement towards the Islamic Resistance movement Hamas? And what are the general takes on it and its behavior in the political link in your opinion?”

“A. The Hamas movement is [considered] our brothers and we wish them and the rest of the mujahideen in Palestine victory. Even if we differ from them in entering the fake democratic game, we wish them goodness, and we hope from Allah to rescue them from it. And, we advise them and encourage them to unity and to not let Satan create problems among them and their brothers, and to not raise weapons except in the face of Jews and their allies.”

“Q. What is your opinion regarding the Muslim Brotherhood movement in general, and in particular some of its symbols in Afghanistan...Rabbani, Sayyaf and Hekmatyar? And its symbols of clerics like al-Qardawi and others?”

“A. We do not consider that Rabbani and Sayyaf consider themselves from the Brotherhood because their stance with the Americans and crusaders show that their loyalty is to other than the Brotherhood. But our opinion on al-Qardawi is that we respect and appreciate him and his speeches and [the] Sharia fatwas that he publishes for the benefit of Islam and Muslims.”

“Q. What is the stance of Taliban movement regarding the Indian supplies and investments in Afghanistan?”

“A. We will target anyone who interferes in our affairs...”

“Q. I want from you a word that describes the fight of our migrated brothers who did great in Jihad in the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan, and an encouragement to those who did not migrate to speed their migration to the land of Jihad?”

“A. We cannot describe [this] in a few words as the heroic battles are great and the enemy before the friend can testify. And I invite you to migrate and Jihad to see for yourselves these great heroic battles.”

“Q. What is your estimation of the role of Turkey in the Afghani case? Especially after the recent conference that was held on its land and invitations to Iran and the Karazai government? And is there a Turkish plot on our mujahideen brothers in Afghanistan?”

“A. The Turkish role isn't different from the Iranian role and...the Indian role. Everyone helped in the American invasion.”

“Q. Is there any cooperation between you and the Russian government? Considering the [possible] Russian revenge from the United States of America?”

“A. There is no cooperation between us and those...the Russians cooperate with the Americans against us.”

“Q. Is there any cooperation between you and the mujahideen of Chechnya?”

“A. We cooperate with every Muslim Mujahid in the path of glorifying Islam.”

“Q. Are there really American offers, through an Arabic country, in which you go back to holding authority or share it with Karazai in exchange for stopping fighting you on behalf of the cross-slaves and helping the U.S. in opening a Chechen front against Russia?”

“A.[these] are lies and claims that have no truth.”

“Q. What is your look on the Russian pull out from Chechnya recently?”

“A. We think it is a [theater] play to trick the world.”

“Q. What are your conditions to enter the land of Jihad by your side?”

“A. Our countries are open to every honest Muslim.”

“Q. Creating chaos is America's target and through it intends to control the world, don't you think that you and the al-Qa'eda Organization contribute in helping the Americans in the drowning the region in chaos?”

“A. The mujahideen are the ones who'll stop this chaos. Without the mujahideen, America would have [already] spread corruption over the earth as it did not see who'd be courageous [enough] to face it. Everyone used to swim to grace it and kneel fearing it, but when the mujahideen faced it with their faith and militant power, more people dared to.”

“Q. Do you support having the Fatah Movement come back to govern Gaza?”

“A. We do not support enemies of Islam taking governance.”

“Q. What do you say about the Fatah movement regarding the Sharia way and the clear approach the movement calls for?”

“A. What we know is it is a secular movement and it claims that, and secularism is against Islam.”

“Q. What do you say about the Sunni movements in the land of Ribat [the Palestinian territories] and especially Jaish al-Islam who kidnapped Gilad Shalit in the operation of 'Wahm Mubaddad'—or extend delusion—and the Tawheed wal-Jihad Movement?”

“A. Everyone who carries out Jihad against the occupiers are considered our brothers and we ask Allah to give them victory and make them win. We advise them to unify and deter the separation and to be in one line with the honest Jihadist groups.”

“Q. Many people from our families in Gaza question...the speech...[in which] Sheikh Usama bin Laden said that America will not enjoy life until we experience it in actuality in beloved Palestine. So where are the fruits of these words?”

“A. Liberating the al-Aqsa Mosque does not come in a day and night my dear brother, and the matter isn't that easy. We have gotten to know Sheikh Usama bin Laden and what he says he does. So be patient and wait to get what will make happy and joyous Allah-willing, and victory is only an hour's patience. ”

“Q. Unfortunately, the Taliban Movement, despite...loyalty and solidarity with jihad to kick out the occupiers, lacks some political awareness to current events and the kuffar's plots and schemes. So why don't you connect with the aware Islamic political parties, like al-Tahreer Party, that seeks to unify the Islamic Nation to discuss and debate about the future of Afghanistan and the future of the Arabic and Islamic nations future, by widening your vision outside the boundaries of Afghanistan, and coming up with an Islamic solution to exit this crisis Afghanistan and the entire Islamic nation are going through?”

“A. Dear brother, if he who rubbed the face of the strongest country in the world in mud and with it the greatest alliance in history, and with simple weapons and equipment compared to the enemy, does not have political awareness, then who has that awareness then? Everyone claims to have awareness, but that won't be proved except by the battlefield. And anyone who is not in

the battlefield and has not carried Jihad against the enemies and hasn't gotten his body pieces and blood spread around, so how can he get this awareness? Awareness and consciousness and bringing back the Islamic Caliphate isn't a symbol put on the wall or repeated in speeches and festivals, but without it there'll be a waterfall of blood, and Jihad is necessary to bring that back. And, the mujahideen, thanks to Allah, are on a high degree of awareness and that is why they are from victory to another."

"Q. [What is the] Taliban's stance regarding Hamas in Palestine and what do you think about its participation in the political process?"

"A. We are against the democratic projects the West created."

"Q. Taliban and the [Muslim] Brotherhood...a relation of static or integration...or what?"

"A. The [Brotherhood] has allied against the Islamic Emirate."

"Q. Do have a calculate army to give the society awareness like al-Shebab al-Mujahideen Movement in Somalia?"

"A. We have Sharia courts around and thanks to Allah in the regions we have control over."

"Q. No one denies the role of the Taliban in fighting NATO since late 2001 until today, and until victory is achieved inshallah. But, recently the name of Hekmatyar—leader of the Hezb-e-Islami—started being mentioned in the media, and Hekmatyar is an experienced...leader and no doubt him joining the battlefield creates big support for Jihad. But the leaderships and flags became numerous on one battlefield and that is a dangerous matter. The experience of Jihad against the Russians and the aftermath of the period is the best witness on that, and our hearts are with you and we wait hearing your news. So, what is the relationship of Taliban movement with Hekmatyar and his Hezb-e-Islami? In honest words: does Hekmatyar fight under the flag of Taliban or is it a separate Flag?"

"A. The most important thing is fighting the occupiers and Hekmatyar fights against the occupier. And our stance is to have this fight under one flag so we seek to that and we ask Allahto grace us in that."

"Q. After your certain victory inshallah, will you seek to join the United Nations?"

"A. After our victory over the international kufr there will be a global uprising and there will be another measure to the balances of power. We want to deal with the world on the principle that we are a part of it and we will consider in dealing with this our Jihadist and Islamic interests."

"Q. What is your advice to those who couldn't go to the land of dearness and couldn't find the way?"

"A. Our advice to everyone who couldn't go to the land of dearness to have a pure will for jihad and do in his country what benefits jihad and Muslim interests."

"Q. What is Taliban Movement's intention after liberating the land Islamic of Afghanistan from the grudged crusaders regarding cooperation with the jihadist movements outside of Afghanistan, and the stance regarding prisoners and especially the people in Guantanamo...meaning what is the intention of the movement to take revenge, and also the stance regarding the governments in the Islamic world?"

"A. Most of this has been answered, but regarding Guantanamo prisoners we seek with all we have to release them from imprisonment and that is the least we can do towards them."

“Q. What is your opinion of the servant of Jihad and mujahideen Ezzat Ibrahim al-Douri (Sharia president of Iraq) especially after the increase of his role, and the role of his honest mujahideen soldiers, in the higher leadership of Jihad and Tahrir (one of the main jihadist fronts in Iraq) and the leadership lions of the men's army of the Naqshabandi Method (who declared his Bai'a to the leader Ezzat Ibrahim and invited all Iraqis to the importance of supporting him). As today the jihadist sects led by servant of jihad and mujahideen Ezzat Ibrahim became the main power...in Iraq—headed by the army of the Naqshabandi Method—that has been for the last four months publishing a unique visual production for the jihadist operation on the kufr occupying forces and their army that has thousands of casualties, and thanks to Allah...especially after the leader Ezzat Ibrahim's invitation to have jihad's purpose raising Allah's words, and not for a friendly narrow truce like some of the previous jihadist leadership? And is there cooperation between you and the higher leadership of Jihad and Tahrir? And, do you invite Iraqis to give bayat to the leader Ezzat Ibrahim al-Douri?”

“A. Dear brother, our stance regarding the Islamic resistance in our dear Iraq is that we support it and we work to glorify it as much as we can and we ask all the Mujahideen sects to unification in line and approach. Everyone who fights the invaders and wants the law of Allah's conduct to rule our dear Iraq, and his intention of fighting the occupiers and their allies is liberating his country and raising the words of Allah, we consider him a brother and we support him.”

“Q. What is your stance regarding the Nationalist ideology and its symbols Gamal Abdel Nasser and Saddam Hussein, and do you consider Gamal Abdel Nasser a Muslim?”

“A. Our stance regarding Saddam Hussein's execution is one of rejection to his execution on the hands of the enemies of Islam. And if his ending was good then we ask Allah for mercy and forgiveness for him. We do not recognize nationalism and it is against Islam, and the prophet prohibited us from it: 'he who calls for absolutism is not from us, and he who fights for absolutism is not from us, and he who dies for absolutism is not from us.'...”

“Q. What is the role America plays with its allies from Arabic countries, and with Iran? We wish any cooperatives with America to get scandalized. And, is it possible to sit down with Iran at any point? And I wish from you to send my greetings with the name (alaa2010) to our sheikh Usama bin Laden.”

“A. Their role undoubtedly is a betrayal to the nation and an attempt to solidify the crusader existence in the region. And, if Iran stops its cooperation then no doubt our relationship towards them with change.”

“Q. As you know, and all the world knows, that Iran has a holy site, which millions visit, called 'Baba Shujaa' ad-Deen' and it is the grave of Abu Lu'lua al-Majoosy—killer of the second Caliph Omar bin al-Khattab, may Allah grace him. And also Iran follows the books that call the dear [prophet] companions kafirin and accuses the mother of believers Aa'isha, may Allah grace her, with adultery, so what is your opinion on that?”

“A. Regarding the grave of Abu Lu'lua al-Majoosy, killer of the second caliph Omar bin al-Khattab, and their stabbing of the mother of believers, it is considered a stamp of shame on the forehead of Shiites and it contradicts Islam. Muslims do not accuse the companions of our dear prophet.”

“Q. The day has proved your political demagoguism and the proof is your recent victories and...your steadfastness with the Islamic Sharia. And we always see the enemy describes you and the mujahideen in general as backwards [people] who do not know politics. Is there something you'd like to reply to these accusations?”

“A. The enemy's description of us as backwards is a shield on our chests, and we are proud that we go back to our religion and dearness.”

“Q. Do you recognize the boundaries of Sykes-Picot which...split the lands of Muslims into parts? Or are all the Islamic countries considered one Islamic nation and must be lead by one Caliph?”

“A. We do not at all recognize Sykes-Picot boundaries and we do not recognize what separates the Muslims.”

“Q. Why did the [Muslim] Brotherhood stand by the lines of the Americans and fought the Islamic Emirate? Don't you see that some of the movements wear the symbol of Islam but their actions contradict that?”

“A. Regarding the support of some members of the Brotherhood Movement against the Islamic Emirate, [it] is because of their greed to reign and claim positions. Allah has punished them so that they lost life's positions and they have to go back to their religion before they lose the afterlife. Those who wear the symbol of Islam without actions, we ask Allah to protect us from them.”

“Q. What is your stand on the army of the United Arab Emirates; joined under the NATO in Afghanistan?”

“A. Our stand on all the armies that cooperate with the crusader occupier is fighting them; we'll fight them as they fight us.”

“Q. According to your knowledge, did the Buddhist interests end to build the great temple on the land of Afghanistan, or are the plans still standing?”

“A. With Allah's permission there will be no idle temple on our Muslim land.”

Q”. What is the news of Sheikh Mansour Dadullah, graced by Allah?”

“A. The news of Sheikh Mansour Dadullah is that he is imprisoned by the enemies. We ask Allah to release him.”

“Q. The fighters of the Hezb-e-Islami 'Hekmatyar' who are active in Khost and Kunar and Nuristan, do they have cooperation with the mujahideen of the Islamic Emirate? And what is the nature of cooperation between you?”

“A. There is coordination between the mujahideen in general against the foreign forces, and thanks to Allah.”

“Q. I read in your great magazine the article 'Mesopotamia and the Harvest of Goodness.' Does that mean you are with the Islamic State against all its enemies and you call the people of Iraq to support it?”

“A. We support the Islamic State of Iraq and its Amir Abu Omar al-Baghdadi and we ask Allah to glorify them and support them in establishing the Islamic Sharia. As we said before we hope...all free mujahideen...unite and take one line against the enemies.”

“Q. What is your stand if Iran faced a militant attack in the near future? Do you have a copy of Taliban in the region of Balush and the region of Sistan? ”

“A. We do not answer on far presumptions. Will America attack Iran that supported it in occupying Afghanistan? But Iran will have itself face many problems if it answered the American demands of interfering in its affairs and shaking our nation.”

“Q. Does the Taliban receive commands from Sheikh Usama bin Laden or is it a movement that has no relation to al-Qa'eda after war?”

“A. We said that Sheikh Usama is from the sheikhs of Jihad and its Imam, and all the mujahideen today in Afghanistan are united under the flag of the Amir of believers patient and mujahid Sheikh Mulla Muhammad Omar.”

“Q. What is your opinion on the armament of innocent children in fighting and slaughtering and practicing things that Allah did not command?”

“A. Jihad is an Islamic duty and this duty must be practiced by every Muslim adult and aware and responsible, so we do not give participation to small children in jihad, and what the enemies rumor about us in this has no truth. Continuously we said that we do not support the actions that disfigure the name of Islam and mujahideen, as any action that results in goodness to Islam and mujahideen we support it. And anything that harms Islam and the mujahideen we reject it.”

“Q. What is your opinion regarding the explosion operations that take place in mosques and public places whether by Shiites against Sunnis or vice versa, and in your opinion do these operations result in a positive result, or the opposite it disfigures and harms Islam ‘You ought not kill the souls which Allah has forbade killing except rightfully’...do you give yourselves that right in killing for the purpose of party interest or authority and reign...meaning, is your goal at the end spreading Islam and religion or is the goal reign and authority?”

“A. We do not fight to get the reign and we do not fight for the interest of parties...our only goal from fighting the enemies is liberating our country from the invaders, then establishing Allah's rule in it. Fighting for the cause of Allah and raising Allah's words and killing the invader kuffar and their allies are the most important duties.”

“Q. After liberating the Afghani land, what are the plans...to revive the economic, social, health and infrastructure life?”

“A. With Allah's permission, after forcing out the kuffar from our land, the Muslims will gain big power and no one will be able to prevent us from strengthening our countries and raising it up. After victory, Allah-willing, you will see what will make you happy.”

“Q. Do you have a future plan after you gain governance to establish diplomatic relations with world countries and the United Nations?”

“A. We will be able to establish relations with everyone who does not fight the Muslims, according to Allah's Sharia.”

“Q. Why do you kill the Shiites?”

“A. We are not a group that's only worry is killing and slaughtering. We consider killing innocents prohibited. When we fight, we fight the enemies of crusaders and their allies, and we fight them in defense not in offense. We fight them after they came to fight us and occupy our land from far away places, as we do not fight except those who fight us and occupy our countries, and we only fight who helps the occupiers.”

“Q. What do you say to the clerics who prohibit the Arab youth from going to Jihad in Afghanistan and Iraq, and what is your letter to the Islamic State of Iraq and the al-Shebab al-Mujahideen Movement in Somalia?”

“A. Our...kind clerics know that Jihad is a pillar, and it is like all the rest of the [Islamic] pillars...we wonder how the Jihad against the Soviet Union was allowed and an obligation, and the mujahideen were allowed to travel without restrictions, and some of them used to have a

discount on travel tickets; if the travel ticket to Pakistan used to be for example \$ 100, they used to make it for only \$25 for those who wanted Jihad. But, the situation changed when the enemy became America! Allah is the helper, Jihad is a holy obligation and the Muslim youth today, with directions from clerics, became more attached to the faith and know the importance and reality of Jihad. And, our letter to the mujahideen is to be patient and tighten on the enemy as today it is about to collapse militarily, economically, socially, and behaviorally, and only little is left Allah-willing.”

“Q. Can you present to the readers the story of the woman who was executed by the Taliban in one of the soccer stadiums before the occupation of Afghanistan, as the opponent media uses these points to disfigure the image of the brother of Taliban. And if the story of that woman and what she did of wicked actions is presented, then maybe in that some people will be convinced of your rightful doing.”

“A. What you mentioned about this woman is that she used to live in Ghourband district in Barwan State. She killed her husband one night and buried the victim's corpse in the yard. After the family of the victim complained to the officials, they captured her and handed her to the court. After she confessed to her crime, the Sharia court proclaimed her punishment. And, the big officials in the Islamic Emirate pleaded with the victim's family to forgive her, but they declined as the family of the victim are the ones who applied the punishment on the killer after the punishment ruling was issued in Ghazi Stadium in the Eastern region of the capital Kabul.”