



**Dr. Ayman Al-Zawahiri  
Eulogizes Baitullah Mehsud  
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**“Shaykh Dr. Ayman al-Zawahiri: Eulogy for the Role Model of the  
Youth – The Commander and Shahid Baitullah [Mehsud]”  
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“In the name of Allah, praised be Allah, prayer and peace upon Allah’s apostle and upon his dynasty, his companions and those who followed.”

“Oh, Muslim brothers wherever you may be! Peace and Allah’s mercy and blessing upon you. And to proceed, I appeal to you today, the knights of the Islamic religion and the heroes of the Islamic religion, who stand against the Crusader’s current campaign against the Islamic religion and the Muslims...”

“I appeal to you today, the hero Shahid, Baitullah Mehsud, may Allah have mercy on his soul.”

“The life and the Martyrdom of Baitullah Mehsud, may Allah have mercy on his soul, are full of lessons for those who observe them. Baitullah had studied the Islamic religion, but when the Crusaders’ campaign was launched against the Islamic Emirate, he had left it and joined the convoy of Jihad. As a loyal young man, as he was considered, and only Allah can approve it – he had organized the movement, the rebellion, and the Jihadi uprising, that responded ‘in the same token’ to the Crusaders and their apostate allies in Afghanistan and Pakistan. He began organizing his brothers after the Crusaders entered Afghanistan, with the little possibilities they had. He always gave all his energy to arrange, gather and strengthen this Jihadi movement that was rising at the time, despite the tests he had to overcome, such as several chronic diseases. Despite all that, he did not stop for one second from the service of the religion of Allah and the Sunna of his prophet, peace and prayer upon him.”

“Baitullah, may Allah bless his memory, had an obvious goal. He had announced from day one that he is a soldier under the command of the Islamic Emirate and its commander, the Amir of the believers, Mullah Muhammad Omar Mujahid, may Allah protect him. Baitullah managed to create a massive Jihadi movement that launched wars, attacks and ambushes against the Crusaders and their allies in Afghanistan. Thanks to Allah, this movement managed to resist the agent Pakistani army, and forced it to sign on agreements with the movement, in order to stop its evilness. Baitullah commanded numerous attacks against the centers of betrayal and the Crusaders’ agents and allies in Pakistan. He failed many of the Americans’ plans and turned them inside out. But much more importantly, in my opinion, and Allah knows everything, is that Baitullah gained several victories that had a huge effect, after Almighty Allah had made him succeed in the Jihadi attack that occurs in southern Asia today, thanks to Allah.”

“He took part in crushing the great lie that the agent government of Pakistan is still promoting, claiming it is an Islamic government that has an Islamic system! He made it clear that it is an apostate government that has thrown itself under the feet of the new Crusaders, and is hostile towards the Muslims, whom it fights and kills in Pakistan and Afghanistan. He had announced his renunciation of the democratic secular system, and the British judicial structure that Pakistan inherited from the hands of the British occupation. In this way, he shattered the great myth, which the Pakistani agent government and its agent army had promoted, with the help of the earthly scholars and the military intelligence jurists, the ISI [Inter Service Intelligence]. According to this myth, the Pakistani army is a Muslim army, which defends on the land of the Islam in Pakistan, and stands against the Indian threat against it. Its slogan was: ‘faith... piety... and Jihad in the path of Allah.’ For this reason, the army and its troops should not be killed, its centers, convoys and facilities should not be attacked, and Martyr operations against it are prohibited.”

“Baitullah, may Allah have mercy on his soul, showed that the rulers of the Pakistani government and the commanders of its army are nothing but a bunch of corrupt traitors that sold their religion, honor, and the blood of Muslims in Afghanistan and Pakistan to the new Crusader in exchange for a handful of dollars and benefits. He, may Allah have mercy on his soul, also exerted a tremendous effort to destroy the idol of Pakistani nationalism, which is summarized by the slogan that was reiterated by Musharaf and his gang: ‘Pakistan comes first.’ By this, they meant that every Pakistani has to love his country, even if it is at the expense of another Muslim country. Accordingly, he would be supportive and loyal to its army, which kills Muslims and supports the Crusaders, because it is considered the symbol of national unity in Pakistan, its protector, and its guardian.”

“These agents intended to promote this propaganda and pass their historical crimes, that were done in support of the Crusaders who occupied and destroyed Pakistan, and removed the Islamic Emirate from Kabul, using the excuse that they had done it for the sake of Pakistan and in order to protect its security and peace, while shedding the blood of the Muslims in Afghanistan, desecrating their holy assets, and destroying their country!”

“Baitullah, may Allah have mercy on his soul, showed that all Muslims belong to one nation, and that a Muslim is a brother of a Muslim, no matter where they are. He showed that the lands of the Islamic religion should be treated as one land. He did not accept the Durand line, which separated Pakistan and Afghanistan. He fought in order expel the Crusaders from Afghanistan. He also fought against their allies, who supported them in Pakistan and Afghanistan.”

“This way, Baitullah, may Allah have mercy on his soul, revealed the truth about the Pakistani army, about its weakness and confusion and its sinking morale; He showed that this army is composed of earthly students and people who worship their salary, who did not resist, even a little, during the battles. They had given in to the Mujahidin, and began negotiating with them in order to release prisoners and sign on cease-fire agreements! The Pakistani people had seen the myth of the Pakistani army collapse in front of their eyes. This army claimed that all things plundered from the wealth of Pakistan were taken in order to defend and protect its security and peace. The Pakistanis and the entire world watched with their own eyes the [video] tapes that showed the Pakistani army put down its weapons and hand them over to the Mujahidin. They also saw the confession of its officers during their capture by the Mujahidin, and how the Mujahidin treated them well and gave them presents before they set them free. It became clear to the Muslims in Pakistan and the entire world that the Pakistani Army, which is misrepresenting itself with its famous slogan ‘Faith...piety...and Jihad in the path of Allah,’ is not only a collaborating army, but also a deceitful army which claims to be the shield and sword of Pakistan but plunders the wealth of Pakistan and extorts it with this lie. In fact, it is an army of low-spirited opportunists who offer their services to the Crusaders and then flee from the battlefield and surrender when the battle gets too hard.”

“Baitullah, may Allah have mercy on his soul, also participated in uniting the groups of Mujahidin in Pakistan, and established the Taliban Movement in Pakistan, that accepted his command. He

participated in establishing the council of Mujahidin, which included Mujahidin from Pakistan in addition to their brothers, the Muhajirin (Emigrants). This united power, thanks to Allah and his support, was subordinate to the Islamic Emirate and its commander, the Mujahid Amir of the believers, Mullah Muhammad Omer, may Allah protect him.”

“By this action, a powerful Jihadi organization was born, and thanks to Allah; it defended the Islamic religion and the Muslims in southern Asia, and had given back the glory of the victorious Muslims, such as the Sultan Jalal Al-Din Al-Azizi, may Allah bless his memory, who revived the Jihadi movement against the English in the command of the Imam, the Shahid Ahmad Irfan, followed by the Mullah Mirzan Ali Khan, Abu Faqir, ‘Mullah Baynda’, righteous scholars and their Mujahidin brothers, may Allah bless their memory. They did not surrender to the British crusaders, and continued the Jihad against them. Their sons fought the Russians in Afghanistan, and their dynasty today is causing defeats to the American Crusader and its campaign in Afghanistan and Pakistan.”

“Baitullah, may Allah have mercy on his soul, took part in removing the illusions of fear among the dear and proud tribes, who feared from the force and violence of the Pakistani army and the Pakistani government. By his Jihad, his brothers, and their self-sacrifices, he raised from the dead the Jihadi enthusiasm, that became the Sunlight for the proud Pashtun and Baloch tribes, and furthermore, all around Pakistan. The tribes of Pakistan put aside their disagreements and their inner-rifts; Baitullah recruited them to the Jihad against the Americans and their allies in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Thousands of them came, one after another; they were competing with regard to Jihad and asked for the Shahadah [martyrdom].”

“Every house had a Mujahid in it; in every village people asked for the Shahadah; in every tribe people became martyrs and supporters the Muhajirin from Afghanistan and the other lands of Islam.”

“The Muslims of the dear and proud Pashtun and Baloch tribes became soldiers (who fought) under the banner of the Amir of the Believers, Mullah Muhammad Omar, may Allah protect him, and talked about their brotherhood, their support and their protection towards the Mujahidin of Al-Qaeda and their brothers from the other Islamic lands. The dear and proud tribes of Pakistan began a new page in the history of the Islamic religion and Jihad. They caused with their two hands the downfall of the Satans, the Crusaders’ campaign and their betrayers allies in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The war had become a war against terror, as drawn by stupid Bush, who presented it as if it is just a trip to Afghanistan, done in order to uproot Al-Qaeda, kill its commanders and members, and capture them. It became a Jihadi uprising that began in Afghanistan and then moved to Pakistan, thank to Allah.”

“May Allah have mercy on your soul, Oh Baitullah! He had already blessed it when you incited the Muslim nation in Pakistan in your words and actions, in your Jihad and your Shahadah, crushed false ideas and de glorified the myths, which the Muslims and the Jihad had. You began your movement weak and poor; Allah had blessed you with victories that followed more victories, and with the respond of the Muslim public to your call and your inciting. You marched on the path of the messenger of Allah, peace and prayer upon him that talked to his Almighty lord, who said to him: {Then fight in God’s cause - Thou art held responsible only for thyself - and rouse the believers. It may be that God will restrain the fury of the Unbelievers; for God is the strongest in might and in punishment} [Surah Al-Nisa, 84].”

“With regard to the Americans, their crusader allies and their Salves in the agent governments of Afghanistan and Pakistan, I tell them: you may have killed Baitullah, may Allah have mercy on his soul, who passed away and returned to his creator as a Shahid, but you will never kill the Islamic religion and the Jihad.”

“If the Islamic religion would have ended in the death of one person, it should have been in the day in which the messenger of Allah, peace and prayer upon him, had passed away, and the

Arab tribes diverted (from the Islamic religion) and rebelled against the Khilafa country that was just born. If the Islamic religion would have ended in the death of one person, it should have been the day in which Omar Ben Al-Khattab had passed away, or the day in which Othman Ben Afan had passed away, or the day in which Ali Ben Abu Talib had passed away, or the day in which Hussein Ben Ali, passed away, may Allah be pleased with them.”

“If the Islamic religion would have ended in one battle or campaign, it should have been the day in which two serious operations that consumed all things, green and dry, were launched against the lands of Islam and the country of Khilafa, the Crusader’s operation from the west, and the Tatar’s from the east; it should have been the day in which Granada collapsed, or the day in which the Ottoman Empire collapsed. The powerful Islam still exists, thanks to Allah. It still exists today, because Almighty Allah had promised it, when he had said: We will, without doubt, help our apostles and those who believe, (both) in this world’s life and on the Day when the Witnesses will stand forth [Surah Al-Muamin, 51]. Almighty Allah has said: Allah has decreed: ‘It is I and My apostles who must prevail’: For Allah is One full of strength, able to enforce His Will [Surah Al-Al-Mujadila, 21].”

“And here you are the Americans and the rest of your Crusader allies; you will see that the Jihad will escalate after Baitullah became a Martyr, may Allah have mercy on his soul. It will grow stronger from what it was, with the force of Allah and his help, until you will leave Afghanistan and Pakistan, defeated and beaten, Inshalla.”

“I am happy to tell you, (the crusaders) in Afghanistan and Pakistan, about the support of Allah with regard to the wave of casualties, killed and wounded; it will end when you will run away defeated from our land, with the help of Allah.”

“I wonder how the Germans, who were defeated by the Americans and the English in Second World War, robbed and controlled by them, are willing to die instead of them in a war that is destined to fail? I wonder how their prime minister can stand in the parliament and lie to them, saying that sending more German forces to Afghanistan is needed in order to protect the peace and security of these countries? How can she lie like that!? Peace and security for these two countries will be achieved only when they will leave the lands of Islam and stop interfering in their business, stop robbing them, and supporting in their corrupted regimes; and then, building ties with them, that are based on interests and not on suppression, violence and damaging their countries. This is the only way to bring peace and security, that you are so interested in, to these two countries.”

“Ibn Asakir, may Allah bless his memory, made Ali Ben Abu Talib’s blood, may Allah bless his memory, boil when he said: ‘Not even one of the Muhajirin had carried out Hijra. They all disappeared, except Omar Ben Al-Khattab, and when they had carried out the Hijra, he wore his sword and took his arc, held his darts in his hands, made his club shorter, passed in front of the Kaaba and Ouraysh. He circled the home, and then returned to his place and prayed. Then he stood and told them: you had made the surface ugly, Allah will not force anything but these mats. Whoever wants to mourn on this nation, bury his child, loose his wife or husband, he will meet me behind this valley’.”

“And we say to the Germans, the Americans and the English, and the rest of the Crusaders’ criminal gang: you had made the surface ugly. Allah will not force anything but these mats. Whoever wants to lose his child should send him to Afghanistan. Whoever wants to lose his money, should spend in on Afghanistan. Whoever wants to damage his equipment, should send it to Afghanistan. And whoever wants to bring defeat to his army, should send it to Afghanistan. Hello there, the convoy of losers and defeated in Afghanistan!”

“Oh, Muslim brothers in Afghanistan and Pakistan, here is the good news of support, that were marked and are shining in the horizon of the Jihad. Look at the Mujahidin and join them. Put pressure on the American Crusader and its followers. The only solution for them is the Jihad. Allah

had already showed their weakness, their cowardness and their hostility toward the Islamic religion and the messenger of Allah, peace and prayer upon him, just like he had showed you their fear, their corruption, their stupidity and their downfall.”

“The international media had published lately the shameful things that happened in the American embassy in Kabul, where the embassy guards turned their working place into a brothel of nudity and immorality. An American governmental report claimed that they had also forced Afghan guards to participate in this nudity and immorality.”

“I would like to ask every respectable Afghan Muslim – could these shameful things happen when the Islamic Emirate ruled Kabul? It is the only government in the world, that had a ministry for Propagation of Virtue and Elimination of Sin; but when the regime of the pimps came to Kabul, the American held cheap to the wishes of the Afghans, and built an Afghan corrupted population, that corrupts your sons and daughters.”

“Oh, respectable and liberated Afghans that feel the corruption and immorality in Kabul, that are corrupting your sons and daughters, that insult the respectable Quran and degrade our respectable prophet, peace and prayer upon him, that spread the Christianity among you, pushing you to change your religion, that strike and kill your wives and kids everyday, that occupied your dear Muslim country and changed it into occupied submitted country that has no freedom of choice, nor freedom or dignity; You can see more than 40 flags of countries who take part in the Crusader operations waving in its skies.”

“Oh, respectable dear Afghans! Stand with your brothers, the soldiers of the Islamic Emirate, while they protect your religion, your dignity, your force, your forbidden things, your country and your nation. Stand with your brothers, who are involved in a battle against more than 40 countries that take part in the Crusaders’ operations, including Turkey that was appointed to the headquarters of the NATO forces in Afghanistan last month. Every liberated Turkish Muslim who cares about the Islamic religion and the Muslims knows that the Turkish forces were appointed to command on the Crusaders’ operation in Afghanistan, that burn villages, destroy houses, kill woman and children, occupy the lands of the Islamic religion, destroy the Islamic law, and spread immorality.”

“The Turkish forces in Afghanistan carry out the same operations that the Jews carry out in Palestine. How can the Turkish liberated Muslim people agree with these crimes against the Islamic religion and the Muslims? What brings this Turkish government to join the Blood-shedding of the Muslims in Afghanistan and furthermore, to command on a campaign against them? What have the Afghan nation done against Turkey? What act made them command the hostility, the crimes and the aggressiveness against them?”

“It is a secular, malicious, despicable and opportunist regime that climbs, in order to achieve its interests and benefits, on women’s bodies and children’s blood, and (discount) the respectable forbidden things. On the top of them, is the government of Egypt that carries out a siege on Gaza strip and the Muslims in it, and prevents supports funds and reunions between sons and fathers. They even forced them to obey the desires of the Zionist Crusader’s campaign. Here is Obama, the fraud, who pretended to be affected by the suffering of the Palestinians, but left thousands of them with no shelter in the cold winter of Gaza, and then allows the settlements to flourish in the West Bank and in Jerusalem, while pressing the weak Arab leaders to offer more concessions. Did we uncover the true criminal Obama, or is there still a need for more crimes in Kabul and Baghdad, Mogadishu and Gaza strip, until we will finally realize it? Didn’t we see the evilness of America under the command of Obama, who smiles and tries to win people’s affection, while he still carries out more shameful acts, such as the immoral pictures we had seen?”

“Obama has started his era with aggressiveness towards Gaza strip. He does not say a single word about the siege on our people in there. This aggressiveness strangles today our people in Gaza that are under the siege, and he stands and observes without taking action with regard to

the settlements, that spread quickly and cover the land of the Muslims in Palestine and Jerusalem. With regard to the events in Palestine, he wants to continue the current ceasefire in Gaza, which is Israel's main purpose after it made sure that the government of Abbas in the West Bank is submitted to it."

"For this reason, the Mujahidin are obliged to stop the Jews, and to create difficulties in Gaza, so they will not be able to carry it out."

"The entire world is an open field against them and their supporters all over the world thank to Allah."

"The Mujahidin in the Gaza strip, and moreover, everywhere, are obliged to smash the laws of the Satan which tries to impose his great power, together with collaborators from the Arab and Islamic world, on them; There is no Jihad except the Jihad against the foreign invader. There is no Jihad except the Jihad done in the occupied countries. Then, there is no escape from improving the relations with the neighbors and the European Union, and also, America. There is no escape from national union government together with the betrayers and those who sold their religion and the nation. The result of these laws is kneeling Mujahidin and Jihad heroes, and corruption, damages, and control of the Zionist-Crusader Empire. Can we still stick to these satanic laws when Israel digs every day a new tunnel under Al-Aqsa Mosque, and strives to destroy it and Judaize Jerusalem? Can we still stick to these laws, even when Al-Aqsa Mosque is being destroyed, while we see it and continue the ceasefire, because of the fact that Jihad is not allowed outside of Palestine, and against non-Jews? Do we have doubts, that the Jews will not stop committing their crimes without Jihad? The Qurani verses of Shia agree about these laws, and Hizbullah's war is an example for us. Hizbullah fought and then agreed to return 30 kilometers behind the borders of the country, and promised that the occupier Crusaders' forces will be safe on the borderline. They said that any missiles that they did not get from their lord in Tehran are suspicious missiles!"

"Hizbullah wants to take part and play in the secular political field, and then pass away its weapon to Beirut, in order to gain political victories by using the Iranian weapons. They say that the Mujahidin in Iraq turned the Jihad into a political issue, and ask from the righteous and the corrupted to reach for a conclusion about it. By that, they cut the connection and stop being loyal to the Mujahidin in other countries, in which your Mujahidin and Muslim brothers live, such as Chechnya and the Islamic Maghreb, while looking at political interests and national calculations. This may turn against those who say that if it will continue, they will stop giving support, because they see that their support is damaging."

"For this reason, we must stick to the commandments of the Islamic religion regarding supporting the Muslims wherever they are, and not leave them; praying for them or just intending to help them is not enough. Furthermore, we must be determined and work in order to liberate every land that was taken from the Muslims, from Caucasia to Andalusia."

"We gave our word to Allah that we will never forget a single Muslim that lives in a land that was taken by force from the Muslims by the apostates, no matter if it is the Caucasus, Kashmir, the Philippines, Andalusia, or Palestine; they were forgotten by the governments of the Islamic countries, that are bent behind the desires of the new Crusader. The example set by Hizbullah and those who were influenced by it must be declined by the Mujahid nation, for the reason that this example poses our Jihad in a market of political bargains, and takes even further the liberation of the lands of Jihad and establishing an Islamic Khilafa."

"The Islamic nation must also decline the suspects that the evil scholars plant in it. They are striving together with the governments to fail their moves and paralyze them and their abilities. The Sheikh Osama Bin Laden, may Allah protect him, called to show these scholars in public and make a list of their names, their ideas and their lies."

“I call every Muslim that is eager to support the Islamic religion and especially the knights of Islam in the Jihadi Information field, to join to this blessed cause, Inshalla, until the entire nation will discover the true enemies under its skin. They call themselves in our names, and talk in our language. They are just like a moth that eats our bones. They are like an illness that weakens our arms. They are like a drug in our veins.”

“Oh the nation of Islam! Oh, youth that fights and take care of us, and make sure we will not give in to the desires of the Crusader-Zionist campaign, the plans of their collaborators, and the suspects they spread. We must begin the Jihad by ourselves, because the governments betrayed you and organizations that raised funds for you gave in.”

“Our brothers, the Martyrs gave us an example, just like Baitullah Mehsud, may Allah have mercy on his soul, gave us. Baitullah asked for knowledge, but he had left the field of science and moved to the field of Jihad. He began his Jihad in extremely difficult conditions, such as being shocked in front of the military force of the crusaders, having no options, and a few loyal brothers. But Allah caused him to gain a great victory and created by him a great Jihadi resistance that was as an earthquake beneath the feet of the Crusaders and their allies that threatened them wherever they were.”

“Oh, my Muslim nation! If you will not stand against the crusader-Zionist campaign and their allies with all your force, you will inherit only shame to our next generation. If we will not move in the path of Almighty Allah there is nothing but shame to our generation. Peace and prayer upon him had said: ‘If you swore to be loyal to a ruler, and for example held the tails of the cows, when you really wanted to sow, and you left the Jihad, Allah will bring someone who will control you, and he will not stop until you will return to your religion.’”

“Our last call is: praised by Allah, the lord of the world, and prayer upon our master, Muhammad, and peace upon his companions and family.”

“Peace upon you, the mercy of Allah and his blessings.”