



AQIM: Statement by Italian Hostage Sergio Cicala February 28, 2010

Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) Statement by Italian Hostage Sergio Cicala Released on: February 28, 2010



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"My name is Sergio Cicala. I was born in Carini, 8/12/1944. Since December 18th, I have been a prisoner of Al-Qaida's fighters and I now appealing to the Italian Government, the President of the Republic, and Berlusconi's Cabinet."

"My wife's life and mine depend on the concessions that the Italian Government is ready to make. Hence, I hope that the Government will take an interest in this situation and, as a consequence, save our lives."

"We will wait hopeful that this situation may come to a positive end as soon as possible, with the liberation of both of us. President Berlusconi has always been well known for his generosity. I really hope he will be able to help me and my wife."