



## **AQIM Mourns Baitullah Mehsud October 7, 2009**

### **Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM): "Mourning Statement Regarding the Nation's Martyr Baitullah Mehsud" Released on: October 7, 2009**



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"Thanks due to Allah, and prayer and peace upon the messenger of Allah and upon all his family, companions and supporters, and thereafter:"

"Allah says: 'Think not of those who are slain in Allah's way as dead. Nay, they live, finding their sustenance in the presence of their Lord.' (Quran, Al-e-Imran Sura, Verse 169)"

"O How good of nation this is...every time it loses a hero from amongst its heroes, another hero rises of the same traits and more."

"Yesterday, when the Islamic Nation said goodbye to Khattab, some people of weak faith were found saying: where can we find someone like Khattab? Then, al-Zarqawi rose up and astonished the world with this actions and traits, then al-Zarqawi disappeared and Dadullah in Afghanistan appeared, and like that, the nation never one day was incapable of pulling out many men and heroes in all the jihad battlefields."

"Today, our beloved and martyr Baitullah Mehsud disappears and leaves us after he had opened a new fighting front, which America and its allies and cooperatives have feared. And, we do not claim that the farewell of this high mountain and standing summit is not a loss for the nation...but, we say that this is a price chosen by the nation to pay willingly and with open heart in return for watering the tree of Islam with what it needs of blood, until it thickens and straightens atop its roots, and its leaves will rise announcing the return of the Islamic Caliphate that has been long absent."

"And, our hope remains big in Allah to assist us in our disaster, and to renew with a better one, as how many things hidden in corners and how many men remained?"

"May Allah have mercy on you Baitullah, and may He reward you and raise your degree in Eleyeen (highest degrees in paradise), and the rewards of good-doing is but good-doing...you have supported Allah and His religion, and supported the nation of His kind prophet—best of prayers and peace upon him."

"Allah, glorified, says: 'O ye who believe! If ye will aid (the cause of) Allah, He will aid you, and plant your feet firmly.' (Quran, Muhammad Sura, Verse 7)"

"Allah has supported you in your life and supported you even when you died..."

“In your life, Allah has guided you to what He commanded everyone of the Ulama and students; Da'wa, Jihad, to do with what is good and refrain from what is bad, and cooperation in piousness and worship, and educate the people with the truthful doctrine, and you instilled in the hearts of the people in your family meanings of loyalty and purity and love of Allah, and you made Jihad closer to their liking for the cause of Allah, until you confused America and corrupted her plans in dominating over Afghanistan through solidifying Afghanistan's feet in Pakistan, and so she made you her nemesis and one of the most wanted.”

“And, when you died, Allah graced you with martyrdom at the hands of the ruthless power and the most tyrannical country in the world; not in a battle where men meet face-to-face, but in a cowardly...operation using a jet, and how shameful that this jet was without a pilot.”

“Congratulations to our martyr and our people in Pakistan and Afghanistan, and special congratulations to our family Mas'ud Tribe, as Allah, because of this pious son, has raised its degree and status that its name became repeated by everyone, and convoys marched with its heroism.”

“What is left is that our enemies should know that every time they [kill] a commander from our commanders or a master from our masters, they only provide us with fuel that will...[push] our movement forward on the path of Jihad seeking victory or martyrdom until the banner of unification is above all banners...and our Sheikh Usama rises above their fool Obama. ‘With the help of Allah. He helps whom He will, and He is exalted in might, most merciful.’ (Quran, al-Room Sura, Verse 5)”

“And Allah hath full power and control over His affairs; but most among mankind know it not.’ (Quran, Yusuf Sura, Verse 21)”