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All praise is due to Allah, We worship Him, We seek His help and His forgiveness, and we turn to Him in repentance. We seek refuge in Allah from the evil within ourselves and from our ill deeds. Whoever is guided by Allah can not be led astray, and whoever goes astray cannot be guided. I testify there is no God but Allah and no partner has He. And I bear witness that Muhammad, is His slave and messenger.

“Before this We wrote in the Psalms, after the Message (given to Moses): My servants the righteous, shall inherit the earth.” [The Holy Quran 021.105]

O’ Nation of Islam; My beloved: Your men were determined to establish the state of Islam, one which enforces the Shria and in which the rule of Islam is obeyed and to be a refuge for the soldiers of Islam. For such state, our men have not been short of funding it with all that they have and then sacrificed themselves for its sake. They have forsaken all personal desires and lust, have suffered the unimaginable of toil, agony and severity and have looked death in the eyes; yearning for either martyrdom or victory. Then it was the blessed step which was crowned by laying the corner stone of the solid foundation of the Islamic State in Iraq. By doing do, they were following the prophet’s path and deeds. The establishment is gaining height and power and now can be seen by both the loving and the hateful. That gain prompted the enemy of Allah, Bush, to state that *“they are aiming at establishing an Islamic State stretching from China to Spain”*. True, despite the fact that he is a liar. I thank Allah and I am grateful to Him that He has made this blessed step possible for his soldiers. First it was the meeting of more than 13 factions and Jihadi groups under one

banner, the Blessed Alliance. Then fast was the second good news when allegiance was pledged by tens of brigades and thousands of brother fighters in Al-Mujahideen Army, Islamic Army in Iraq, 20th revolution brigades, Ansar Al-Sunnah and others. That was first in Falujah, Alkarma, Alameriya, Alramadi Algarbia, Altarmia, Alseniya Tikrit, Samarra, Baqouba, Alazeem, and then in Mosul, Tal Afar, Karkuk, and Baghdad, the beloved. Then it was the greatest fruit when 70% of the Sunni tribes' sheikhs in Mesopotamia joined the Blessed Alliance and endorsed their allegiance to the Islamic State. Therefore, I thank my brothers, the sheikhs of following tribes: Aldaleem, Jabboor, Alabeed, Zawba, Kais, Azza, Tai, Aljanabeeiyen, Allehyanieyn, Almashahda, Aldaimiya, Bani Zaid, Almajma, Bani Shamr, Anza, Alsomaide, Alnaeem, Khazraj, Bani Lahaib, Albohiyat, Bani Hamdan, Alsadoun, Alghanem, Alsada, Almaadeed, Alkarabla, Alsalman and Alkabeesat.

I thank Allah and praise Him for that the Islamic shariia is being implemented in many parts of the Islamic state at the request and insistence of our people themselves. We have appointed judges to resolve disputes and, by grace of Allah, we were able to resolve some decades long bloody conflicts. Allah's rule was implemented in many areas in the Islamic state. The prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, said:

“To keep the limits ordained by Allah is better than getting rained for 70 years”

-meaning: there is nothing better than keeping the limits ordained by Allah.

In an unusual case - social taboo in Iraq, an Iraqi man brought forward his unlawfully pregnant daughter, who had committed adultery, to be punished. Another admitted and brought himself forward to be punished. We have sought after the depraved aiming at eradicating corruption and crimes and deterring criminals and malefactors. We have

also appointed Zakat (charity) workers to collect booties and charity in most areas of the state. Allah sayth:

“Of their goods, take alms, that so thou mightest purify and sanctify them;” [The Holy Quran 009.103]

From all that was mentioned above, one can see how untrue are those statements claiming that we are helpless and unprotected. The word of Allah is supreme and the hand of Al-Mujahideen is the prevalent in many areas; even the enemy has admitted to that by stating “*Al-Qaeda has taken control of Al-Anbar province and has gained popularity*”. Al-Qaeda is only one of many Islamic state groups and we are in Nainawa and Salahuddin as well as Diyala for example. As far as Baghdad, it should be acknowledged that the sons of the Islamic State are Allah’s soldiers who, for the longest time, repulsed and cut off the arms of cunning Magi. Nothing prevents us from taking full control of Baghdad but some minor obstacles; and this is not the place to discuss them, and they will subside soon by the will of Almighty Allah.

Allah knows that I have turned down Amirdom repeatedly. I have never dreamt but of being a soldier fighting in the cause of Allah so the worship be for none but Allah. I have never been an Amir of any of the factions. However, people agreed unanimously on electing me, putting their faith in me, and I ask Allah to assist me in living up to their trust and expectations.

Consequently, I have decided to make no decisions without deliberation with my brothers. Accordingly, we have formed an expanded Shura Council (advisory council) consisting of 3 member representatives from each faction that has joined the Islamic State, regardless of the faction’s number of troops and size of its operations, as well as one representative member from each big tribe and in addition to a number of experts members. A smaller five-membered council was formed for important time sensitive matters that

require speed decision-making. We ask Allah to grant us success and perfection

O' Nation of Islam: We have been divided by claims of nationalism, nativism, and tribalism, all of which are calls of pagan era. Today, we are in dire need for actions and sacrifice not for tear-shedders and empty slogans. We need those who read the verse:

“Go ye forth, (whether equipped) lightly or heavily, and strive and struggle, with your goods and your persons, in the cause of Allah” [The Holly Quran 009.041]

And act it out swiftly.

Accordingly and initially, we call upon the former Iraqi army officers, with ranks of a lieutenant to a general, to join the Islamic State army providing that the candidate memorizes a minimum of three parts of The Holy Quran and passes a test in Aqeeda (Islamic beliefs) before a regional Sharia committee so to make sure the candidate is fully aware and endorse the denial of Baath party and its Evil One. We, in turn, will provide a mean of transportation, housing and a salary that can guarantee a decent, honorable and good life just like other Mujahideen in the Islamic State army. Allah sayth:

“Those who believe fight in the cause of Allah, and those who reject Faith Fight in the cause of Evil: So fight ye against the friends of Satan: feeble indeed is the cunning of Satan.” [The Holly Quran 004.076]

O' Nation of Islam; My beloved: The giant (Americans) has begun to wamble, searching for an escape exit and negotiating with various parties and groups whether directly or indirectly through its agents. They conveyed messages to us through the Arabian peninsula' Evil Ones, Al Salool (Sarcastically referring to The House of Saud, the Saudi royal

family), claiming that they had sat down (negotiated) with all the parties except us.

Accordingly we say: We shall not negotiate with those who massacred our children and women and desecrated our land. Instead, we will give you our orders and advise you to obey them in humiliation or you shall regret passing out this opportunity.

We order you to withdraw your troops immediately. Withdrawal should be of soldiers and personal light weapons only and through personnel carrier vehicles and transportation planes. All heavy weapons and equipments should stay and all bases should be handed over to Islamic State army. Withdrawal duration should not exceed one month. In turn, we will guarantee your safe withdrawal. You have 2 weeks to inform us of your decision from the date of this statement.

If you think that others, who secretly negotiate with you, have control of the situation in Iraq, then we suggest putting their claims to test. We urge you to ask them to suspend attacks against your troops in one province for a month; then you can see for yourselves the falsehood of their claims and that you, idiots, have been negotiating with coward liars, a mirror image of yourselves.

To Bush: Don't waste this historic opportunity as you have disregarded the truce offered to you by Sheikh of Al-Mujahideen Osama Bin Laden, may Allah protect him.

I also warn you not to let your foolishness lead to commit more atrocities and massacres against innocent women and children. You better not ignite the volcano, for "*Wood already touched by fire is not hard to set alight*". Allah sayth:

"Seest thou not how thy Lord dealt with the 'Ad (people),- Of the (city of) Iram, with lofty pillars, The

like of which were not produced in (all) the land? And with the Thamud (people), who cut out (huge) rocks in the valley?- And with Pharaoh, lord of stakes? (All) these transgressed beyond bounds in the lands, And heaped therein mischief (on mischief). Therefore did thy Lord pour on them a scourge of diverse chastisements: For thy Lord is (as a Guardian) on a watch-tower.” [The Holy Quran 089.006-014]

O’ Nation of Jihad: we are in holy days where the rewards for good work and deeds are multiplied. The prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, said:

“The good work and deeds are more adored and accepted by Allah in these days”;

Meaning the latter 10 days of Zi Al-Hijjah (Arabic lunar month).

These days are gifts to us from Allah through our time; try to capture its rewards and merits. The paradise doors are open; rush to them. Verily, the paradise scent can be smelled through our guns powder; don’t miss out on the wonderful aroma. The crown of pride and dignity is being placed on the heads of Al-Mujahideen; don’t leave yourselves out of this honor. - *(All are statements calling forth actions and urging resistance against occupiers.)*

Therefore, we, in these blessed days, announce the launching of a new military operation, Ghazwat Al-Shidda (Operation Severity). The operation will target the crusaders and root out apostates (collaborators) and will end on the last day of Eiduladha (Al-Adha Feast).

Work hard.

Show your enemy your strength, power and unity.

Obey your commanders.

Take the following verse as a reminder and adapt it as a slogan:

“Then fight in Allah's cause - Thou art held responsible only for thyself - and rouse the believers.” [The Holy Quran 004.084]

And bring forth into your minds the words of Allah, The Exalted in Height:

“Unless ye go forth, He will punish you with a grievous penalty, and put others in your place;” [The Holly Quran 009.039]

Cheer up, Allah’s victory is inevitably coming; for verily the promise of Allah is true.

Trust in Allah and rely on Him, The One and Only, The Almighty, The omnipotent.

“And if any one puts his trust in Allah, sufficient is (Allah) for him. For Allah will surely accomplish his purpose” [The Holy Quran 065.003]

And remember the words of The Exalted in Height:

“Fighting is prescribed for you, and ye dislike it. But it is possible that ye dislike a thing which is good for you” [The Holy Quran 002.216]

Know that your brothers have raced past you on this path:

“Among the Believers are men who have been true to their covenant with Allah: of them some have completed their vow (to the extreme), and some (still) wait: but they have never changed (their determination) in the least” [The Holy Quran 033.023]

“And Allah hath full power and control over His affairs; but most among mankind know it not.” [The Holy Quran 012.021]

Your brother,

Abu Omar Al-Husseini Al-Baghdadi Al-Qurashi

Friday, the 2nd of the month of Dhul Hijjah of 1427 AH (Anno Hegirae of the Chosen, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him