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This report summarizes the most prominent events posted on the Jihadi online forums in the second half of January 2010:

### **New publications**

#### Audio and video tapes

- The Jihadi forums published the speech of Al-Qaeda's leader, Osama bin Laden, on an audio tape, where he takes responsibility for the attempt to blow up an American passenger plane on Christmas Eve, in late December 2009.<sup>1</sup> It is interesting to note that unlike previously, this time the audio tape was not published by Al-Qaeda's official media institute. In the past, Osama bin Laden's tapes and those of his deputy, Al-Zawahiri, would reach the Al-Jazeera network, as they did this time, while, at the same time, they were published officially by Al-Qaeda's media institute on the Jihadi forums, which did not occur with Bin Laden's new tape.
- On January 29<sup>th</sup> 2010, the Al-Jazeera network released another audio tape by Osama bin Laden, accusing the United States of being responsible for the climate change, and speaking of the need to boycott the dollar, in order to release humanity from U.S. subjugation. One of the surfers explains that Jihad of this type is just as important as Jihad using bombs and explosives, and maybe is even more effective. He states that money is at the heart of

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<sup>1</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=154453>. The audio tape itself with English subtitles can be found in the following link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-CZQV1UG8pk>

any Jihad operation – whatever it may be – and that money is the reason for its success.<sup>2</sup>

Other surfers explain the importance of his statements on issues which he has not discussed before, and one of the surfers notices the absence of a Quran verse or Hadith, unlike Bin Laden's previous speeches, and that this speech has a pure economic note and is not of an Islamic nature.<sup>3</sup> Another surfer wonders why bin Laden's words have not yet been published officially by the "Al-Faloja" forum, and have only been published by Al-Jazeera and not by Al-Qaeda's known institutions, such as "Al-Fajr" or "As-Sahab".

Other surfers mention that the will of Abu Dajana Al-Khorasani, who carried out the terrorist attack at the CIA base, has also not been published by Al-Qaeda's official sources but only by Al-Jazeera, and that sometimes, as a matter of policy, the Mujahideen release audio or video segments to the news channels for broadcasting. If this were not Bin Laden's voice, the surfers explain, "As-Sahab" or "Al-Fajr" would have denied it immediately.<sup>4</sup>

- A new video clip by the "Al-Ghurba" media institute entitled "The Heralds of Victory". The video is 8:49 minutes long and depicts Al-Qaeda's Mufti, Sheikh Abu Yahya Al-Libi, endeavoring to strengthen the hearts of the Mujahideen in the fight against the enemy in Afghanistan.<sup>5</sup>
- A special video clip, exclusive to the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum, eulogizing Abu Dajana Al-Khorasani, known as the "CIA eliminator". The video is 5:34 minutes long.<sup>6</sup>



<sup>2</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=101255>

<sup>3</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=101237>

<sup>4</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=101026>

<sup>5</sup> <http://www.as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?t=15014>

<sup>6</sup> <http://www.shamikh.net/vb/showthread.php?p=331465>

- The Islamic Emirate in the Caucasus published a video following the suicide bombing of one of the Chechen fighters at a military base in the Dagestan Region.<sup>7</sup>



- The "As-Sahab" Jihadi media institute published a video with German transcript entitled "Bilanz der 7 Jahre Kreuzzuege" (The Balance of 7 Years of Crusades).<sup>8</sup> One of the "Shumukh Al-Islam" forum surfers approached German speaking surfers, asking them to gather all the responses to this publication from Germany, and translate them into Arabic.<sup>9</sup>

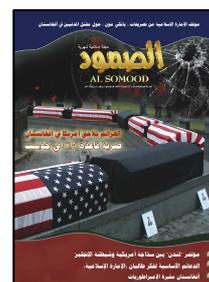
- A special video clip entitled "A Hero is Gone", on Hassan Al-Qatrawi Abu Muslima", a fighter with the "Jund Allah" organization, a Salafi-Jihadi group in the Gaza Strip, some of whose members were eliminated by the Hamas movement in August 2009.<sup>10</sup>



- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" Jihadi forum published links to a video clip entitled "The Muslim Hell in the Guantanamo Darkness".<sup>11</sup>

#### Magazines

- The Jihadi forums published the 44<sup>th</sup> issue of the "Al-Somood" magazine for January-February 2010, published by the media institute of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan.<sup>12</sup>



<sup>7</sup> <http://www.atahadi.com/vb/showthread.php?t=11559>

<sup>8</sup> <http://www.majahden1.com/showthread.php?t=37184>

<sup>9</sup> <http://124.217.251.60/~shamikh/vb/showthread.php?p=330955>

<sup>10</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37291>

<sup>11</sup> <http://mojahden.net/vb/showthread.php?p=170797>

<sup>12</sup> <http://www.majahden1.com/showthread.php?t=37063>

Books

- The "Al-Fajr" Jihadi media institute published an 18 page booklet entitled "Advice and precaution to be taken regarding statements made on bombings in markets: A question and answer regarding the bombings in the Peshawar markets". The booklet was first written in November 2009 by Sheikh Atiyyat Allah, in response to the question of whether it is permissible to express joy over bombings within a civilian population, as occurred in the Peshawar market at the end of October 2009, due to the supposition that this population prefers to abandon the commandment of Jihad, ignore the Mujahideen and live under the rule of an infidel Muslim.<sup>13</sup>

**It is probable that the man in question is Abd Al-Rahman Atiyyat Allah, considered to be in charge of communications at Al-Qaeda, operating today from his hiding place in Afghanistan. He is also considered to be one of Abu Musab Al-Zarqawi's teachers. It should further be noted that he used to write frequently on the Jihadi forums, and especially the Al-Hesbah forum, which is no longer active.**

- The "Sariyyat Al-Somood Al-'Ilamiya" media institute (the Resistance's Media Company), published a book by Marwan Shahada, a Jordanian expert on Islamic organizations, on the subject of "The Modern Islamic Movements and their Role in the Battle for the Sacred Land – the Palestinian Issue".<sup>14</sup>
- The "Al-Fajr" Jihadi media institute published a booklet entitled "Words on Crisis" (16 pages long), by Sheikh Khalid Abd Al-Rahman Al-Husaynan.<sup>15</sup>

<sup>13</sup> <http://www.shamikh.net/vb/showthread.php?p=330374>

<sup>14</sup> <http://69.162.81.124/~majahden/vb/showthread.php?p=172802>

<sup>15</sup> <http://shamikh.net/vb/showthread.php?t=56989>

**Al-Husaynan is an Imam and former preacher in one of the mosques in Kuwait. In 2007, he left Kuwait – his homeland – for Afghanistan to join the Jihad. He has written many Jihadi publications and has even participated in several video clips. Of note is a video he appeared in, entitled “A quiet discourse with Obama”, published on August 2009, where he calls upon the American President to carefully consider his steps and withdraw his troops from Afghanistan.**

- The Al-Masada Jihadi media institute published a 9 page booklet entitled “The Secular Movements of Our Time” by Sheikh Abu Ahmad Al-Rahman Al-Masri.<sup>16</sup>

### Reports from the field

#### Afghanistan – Pakistan

- The “Hanein” Jihadi forum quotes official Pakistani sources who claim that the leader of the Taliban movement, Hakim Allah Mahsud, has been killed.<sup>17</sup> Hakim Allah Mahsud replaced Baytallah Mahsud in the movement’s leadership, after his elimination by the Americans in August 2009. It should be noted that the Taliban movement denies these reports.<sup>18</sup>
- An official clarification announcement on behalf of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan, stating it does not use the internet to collect donations and that it has no software to that end. Furthermore, any person or website claiming to collect donations on its behalf on the network is a fraud, “who wishes to

<sup>16</sup> <http://www.shamikh.net/vb/showthread.php?t=57545>. The identity of the author is unknown, but he is credited with many pro-Jihadi publications.

<sup>17</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=155554>

<sup>18</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=38054>

collect money for himself in this ugly and irresponsible manner... We wish to disconnect ourselves completely from such websites and people."<sup>19</sup>

- Surfers view the Taliban attack on the government institutions in Afghanistan on January 18<sup>th</sup> 2010, an execution of the strategy devised by "The Islamic State of Iraq", and there are those who compare it to the terrorist attack in Mumbai, carried out at the end of November 2008.<sup>20</sup> The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported that the fighters used armored vehicles, for the first time, belonging to the Afghan military and police.<sup>21</sup> The Islamic Emirate website published a 10 minute video clip of the terrorists participating in the attacks.<sup>22</sup>
- The Shura Council of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan vehemently denied that representatives of the Emirate met with a special U.N. delegate.<sup>23</sup>
- One of the surfers at the "Al-Faloja" Jihadi forum wrote the following correspondence: "My brothers in the Taliban movement... We wish to attack the Finnish forces in Afghanistan and carry out an attack against them in the upcoming days... Soon, on the following Friday,<sup>24</sup> a vote will take place regarding the dispatch of additional Finnish soldiers to Afghanistan... Hurry and attack them, so as to send them a message."<sup>25</sup>
- "The Taliban does not forget the suffering of the Muslims in occupied Turkistan and kidnaps two Chinese engineers" – this is the title one of the

<sup>19</sup> <http://www.atahadi.com/vb/showthread.php?t=11781>

<sup>20</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100196>,  
<http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100204>. See also:  
<http://www.majahden1.com/showthread.php?t=37064>

<sup>21</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=153373>

<sup>22</sup> <http://69.162.81.124/~majahden/vb/showthread.php?t=37642>

<sup>23</sup> <http://69.162.81.124/~majahden/vb/showthread.php?t=37937>

<sup>24</sup> See:

<http://www.hs.fi/english/article/Finland+may+increase+size+of+force+in+Afghanistan/1135252219473>

<sup>25</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100247>

surfers on the "Al-Faloja" Jihadi website gave the kidnapping of two Chinese men in Afghanistan on January 18<sup>th</sup> 2010.<sup>26</sup>

- Reports on Jihadi forums indicate that the Mujahideen have succeeded in stealing about two thousand mines from the Pakistani Army.<sup>27</sup>

#### Iraq

- In a fatwa issued by the Iraqi Sheikh, Mustafa Al-Adawi, he forbids joining the Iraqi Army. Surfers commend the fatwa and wish that more religious clerics would issue the same fatwa regarding other armies, so that those who joined them would return to the bosom of Islam.<sup>28</sup>

#### The Arabian Peninsula

- Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) denies that six of its commanders, including the military commander Qasem Al-Rimi,<sup>29</sup> were killed in combat with the Yemenite security forces. According to the organization, in the confrontations, its men were injured only lightly. In addition, the organization calls upon Islamic nations to declare Jihad on the infidels and their agents, "not only on land but also at sea and in the air, as the Crusaders' battle ships are at Aden Bay, in the Arab Sea and the Red Sea and American espionage airplanes enter the peninsula's airspace..."<sup>30</sup> It should be noted that Yemen has reinforced the security along its coastline and around Aden Bay, the Arab Sea and the Red Sea.<sup>31</sup>

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<sup>26</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100233>

<sup>27</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=36866>

<sup>28</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100241>

<sup>29</sup> For reports of his death, see:

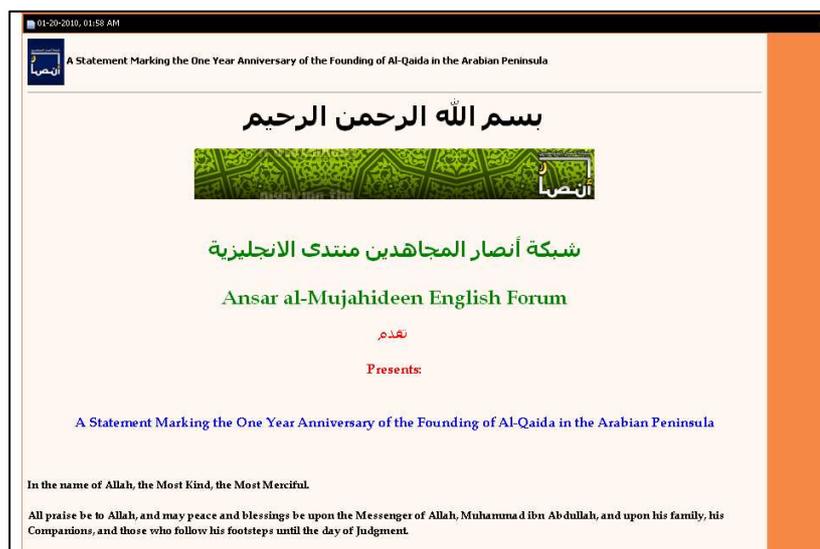
[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_Jan\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_Jan_2010_No_2.pdf), page 10.

<sup>30</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100157>

<sup>31</sup> See:

[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_Jan\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_Jan_2010_No_2.pdf), page 11.

- The "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" English forum published an announcement to mark the passing of one year since the integration of the Al-Qaeda branches in Saudi Arabia and in Yemen, entitled "A Statement Marking the One Year Anniversary of the Founding of Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula". The announcement numerates the organization's achievements during the past year, including:
  1. Targeting the heads of Disbelief, even whilst they hid behind their palace walls during the operation which targeted Muhammad bin Naif.
  2. Creating turmoil for the Western world, forcing the infidels to spend many billions of dollars upgrading their airport security, following the operation of Omar Al-Farouk.
  3. Revealing the treachery of the Yemeni army, their disregard for the blood and honor of the Muslims, their complicity in the crimes of the Zionist-Crusaders.



Finally the announcement blesses the Mujahideen in the Arabian Peninsula, Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Somalia, the Caucasus and the Maghreb. In response, one of the surfers adds felicitations to Sheikh Anwar Al-Awlaki, an American religious cleric of Yemenite origin.<sup>32</sup>

- A surfer posted a warning to Al-Qaeda activists in the Arabian Peninsula. The warning reached him from another surfer on one of the forum chat rooms. The warning says that in Oman, a man named Abdullah Saleh Al-Aydan, nicknamed "Barud", was arrested on his way back from Afghanistan, with over 300 photographs, names, documents and important numbers of people from Afghanistan in his possession. According to the surfer who wrote the first correspondence, he was extradited to Saudi Arabia. He was a field commander in Afghanistan. That surfer would like to pass this information on to "all the brothers in the Arabian Peninsula, to enable them to take the necessary steps, as he did not want to reveal his name and title in the forum chat room." The surfers asked that the organization's leaders in Yemen and Afghanistan change their location and cell phone numbers. Some of the surfers doubted this information and believed that it was spread by foreign intelligence services. Another surfer suggests sending the names to the email addresses mentioned in the "Sada Al-Malahim" magazine, belonging to Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula.<sup>33</sup>
- A group of Muslims of German origin, named "Deutsche Taliban Mujahidin", has called for displays of identification with Al-Qaeda in Yemen. It also called on the German group active in Waziristan to help Al-Qaeda activists in Yemen.<sup>34</sup>

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<sup>32</sup> <http://ansarnet.info/showthread.php?t=18310>

<sup>33</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=101141>

<sup>34</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100279>. See also: <http://jihad-e-informacion.blogspot.com/2010/01/deutsche-taliban-mujahideen-hacen-un.html>



- A surfer, presenting himself as a supporter of the Mujahideen, called upon the tribes in Yemen and their leaders, not to follow the path of the tribes in Iraq, who were bribed with money to fight the Mujahideen and persecute them. He warns them that the United States will do everything to prevent them from supporting the Mujahideen, as it has done in Iraq. One of the female surfers suggests registering on the forums of the Yemenite tribes, and especially those of the tribes in South Yemen, who do not know Jihad theory and all of their activities are concentrated on achieving national liberty. She states that their forums are filled with words of hate directed at Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula.<sup>35</sup> The surfer provided links to the forums of the Yemen tribes, in order to help the Al-Qaeda activists in the Arabian Peninsula. She calls upon those in charge of the Jihad media, to spread the messages on Jihad on these websites.<sup>36</sup>
- One of the surfers on the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" forum calls upon Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula to help the Jihad leaders imprisoned in Saudi prisons.<sup>37</sup>

<sup>35</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100341>

<sup>36</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100654>

<sup>37</sup> <http://www.majahdenar.com/showthread.php?p=170452>

- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported that the Yemenite authorities are negotiating for the extradition of the American religious cleric of Yemenite origin, Anwar Al-Awlaki, suspected of having ties with Nidal Hassan, who carried out the terrorist attack at the military base in Texas on November 2009. According to the report, Yemenite senior figures are in contact with representatives of Al-Awlaki's tribe in the Shabwa Province, where he is apparently hiding.<sup>38</sup> However, from other reports it seems the Yemenite tribes are protecting Al-Awlaki and refuse to give him up to the authorities.<sup>39</sup>
- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" forum reported that Ayed Al-Shabwani, one of Al-Qaeda's commanders in Yemen, survived an attempt on his life carried out by Yemenite fighter planes at the Mareb Province.<sup>40</sup>

#### The Maghreb

- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported that the Mauritanian government began a dialogue with Salafi detainees at the central prison in Nouakchott. This prison holds 67 Salafi prisoners from Mauritania, convicted of terrorist activity.<sup>41</sup> This dialogue is somewhat reminiscent of the one with the "Libyan Islamic Fighting Group" (LIFG), who announced on July 2009 that it is severing its ties with Al-Qaeda and laying down its arms.
- The negotiations for settling the conflict between Al-Qaeda's branch in Mauritania and the Mauritanian government, which began a few weeks ago with incarcerated Salafi prisoners, has ran aground.<sup>42</sup> One of the Al-Qaeda in the Maghreb leaders, Abu Qatada Al-Shanqiti, serving a



<sup>38</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=153193>

<sup>39</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=153731>

<sup>40</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37269>

<sup>41</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=153486>

<sup>42</sup> <http://www.saharamedias.net/smedia/index.php/2008-12-22-00-06-17/6320-2010-01-26-14-58-42.html>

sentence in a prison in Nouakchott, has given an interview to the "Aqlame" Mauritanian newspaper regarding the discussions between the members of the Salafi-Jihadi group in Mauritania and the Mauritanian government.<sup>43</sup>

- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" forum issued a call to hack into Moroccan forums, in view of the cooperation between the Moroccan security forces and the American government.<sup>44</sup>
- Tribes from northern Mali swore allegiance to Al-Qaeda in the Maghreb.<sup>45</sup> It should be noted that just a few weeks ago, the Jihadi forums published a video documenting Jihadi activists declaring the north Africa region, Algiers, Mauritania, Mali and Morocco, as the Islamic Emirate of the Sahara.<sup>46</sup>
- Al-Qaeda Organization in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) has extended the ultimatum given to the Frenchman it abducted in Mali at the end of November 2009.<sup>47</sup>
- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported that the Libyan ruler, Al-Qaddafi, stated that Libya would continue to hold 300 Al-Qaeda activists in prison.<sup>48</sup>

#### Al-Sham Region (Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and the Palestinian Territories)

- An official announcement made on behalf of the "Jama'at Al-Tawhid W-Al-Jihad", a Salafi-Jihadi organization active in the Gaza Strip, on the launching of two rockets directed at an Israeli post in Ein Hashlosha. The launching occurred on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2010.<sup>49</sup>

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<sup>43</sup> <http://www.aqlame.com/article512.html> ,

<http://shamikh.net/vb/showthread.php?t=57340>

<sup>44</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37377>

<sup>45</sup> <http://alflojweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100831>

<sup>46</sup> See:

[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_Jan\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_Jan_2010_No_2.pdf), page 12.

<sup>47</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=155578>. See also:

[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_Jan\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_Jan_2010_No_2.pdf), page 13.

<sup>48</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=155588>

<sup>49</sup> <http://www.shamikh.net/vb/showthread.php?t=56987>

- Following the building of a steel fence Egypt along the Gaza Strip border to prevent smuggling, the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" forum published a "black list" of companies assisting Egypt in the construction of this fence.<sup>50</sup>
- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" Jihadi forum posted a report made by eye witnesses that a wave of arrests of dozens of young men identified with the Salafi-Jihadi movement has occurred in the villages near Damascus. The arrests were made following the discovery of pamphlets in several Syrian villages, speaking of the approach of the campaign against the Syrian government.<sup>51</sup>

#### Egypt

- A surfer is interested in purchasing a machine-gun or an air-rifle in Egypt. He asks what types are available and their prices, and asks for the help of Egyptian surfers in this matter.<sup>52</sup>

#### Africa

- One of the surfers calls upon the Mujahideen to increase their efforts in the marine Jihad field, in Yemen and Somalia. He suggests that the Mujahideen infiltrate into groups kidnapping ships (pirates), to learn from their experience and from their methods of information gathering, on the ships arriving from the Africa Horn. In this manner, the Mujahideen will succeed in disabling the global economy, as well as obtaining loot and logistical materials, as occurred several days ago, when a ship with banned chemicals fell into the hands of Somali pirates, an occurrence which the Mujahideen should aspire to.<sup>53</sup>

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<sup>50</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37585>

<sup>51</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37601>

<sup>52</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=101220>

<sup>53</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100190>

- The spokesperson for "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" in Somalia confirmed to the BBC, that his movement is exchanging fighters with armed groups from Yemen.<sup>54</sup> In this regard, it should be noted, that senior members of the movement declared that they would send fighters to Yemen, via the sea, in order to help Al-Qaeda in their conflict with the Yemenite government.<sup>55</sup>
- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported that the "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" movement has threatened to carry out terrorist attacks against Kenya, following the campaign run by the Kenyan authorities against the Somali in the capital, Nairobi.<sup>56</sup>
- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported on the ongoing bloody confrontations between Muslims and Christians in Nigeria, causing hundreds of casualties, to date.<sup>57</sup> Meanwhile, the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" Jihadi forum calls upon the Muslims to act on behalf of their brothers in Nigeria. The forum even published a message from Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb pleading with Muslims to help the Muslim residents in Nigeria.<sup>58</sup> These reports are in addition to correspondence which began appearing in the past weeks on the Jihadi forums, regarding the possibility of opening a Jihad front in Nigeria.<sup>59</sup>

#### The West and the rest of the world

- A member of the "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" forum generated a discussion regarding the possibility of a future war between India and Pakistan. The writer believes that such a war will break out within the next two years.

<sup>54</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=153140>

<sup>55</sup> See:

[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_Jan\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_Jan_2010_No_2.pdf), pages 13-14.

<sup>56</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=153935>

<sup>57</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=153745>

<sup>58</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37438>,

<http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=154769>

<sup>59</sup> See:

[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_Jan\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_Jan_2010_No_2.pdf), page 15.

Another surfer advised the Mujahideen to incite a war by creating a conflict in the Kashmir region.<sup>60</sup>

- The "Hanien" Jihadi forum reported that the Indian authorities took strict security measures at airports and on airplanes belonging to Air India, the Indian airline, following intelligence information regarding the intention to hijack a plane belonging to this company.<sup>61</sup>
- Following the earthquake in Haiti, some of the forums posted correspondence, part of which was informative, and reported on the goings on there, but others dealt with the damage to Muslims and ways to help them. Most of the discussion related to the Muslims' situation and the mosques, with no sympathy expressed for the non-Muslims who were casualties of the earthquake. The "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" forum in English even went so far as to claim that when part of the money is not directed towards the Muslims, it has no meaning.<sup>62</sup>
- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported, based on an article published in the British Times newspaper, that the plan to build the largest mosque in Europe, which was supposed to hold 12 thousand people, next to the site where the Olympic Games are to be held in 2012 in East London, has been cancelled.<sup>63</sup>

#### General reports

- A manifesto by Abu Qatada Al-Falastini to the Muslims, written on January 16<sup>th</sup> 2010 and published a few days later in the prominent Jihadi forums,



<sup>60</sup> <http://ansarnet.info/showthread.php?t=18496>

<sup>61</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=154070>

<sup>62</sup> <http://forums.islamicawakening.com/f18/our-brothers-guantanamo-felt-earthquake-devastated-worlds-poorest-country-32384/>, <http://ansarnet.info/showthread.php?t=18535>

<sup>63</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=153553>

surrounding the British Court's decision to extradite him to Jordan. In the manifesto he expresses his displeasure with the British legal system, which allowed his incarceration without trial and without the possibility of viewing the indictment against him. Abu Qatada mocks the principles of British democracy, which claims, so he says, to support equality between all religions, races and sexes, but in fact does not implement these principles. According to him, the British authorities' attitude towards him and his Muslim friends in prison demonstrated that Britain is hostile towards Islam and the Muslims in general. He calls upon the Muslims living in Britain, and especially those emigrating from the Indian sub-continent, to spread Britain's crimes towards the Muslims and expose the grim reality in which the Muslim prisoners live in the prisons in Britain. Abu Qatada even equates the British prison he was incarcerated in for three years, the Belmarsh Prison, to the American Guantanamo prison. Abu Qatada adds that after three years he was released from prison, but only five months later was jailed again under various meaningless pretexts. Upon his re-entry to prison he decided to devote himself to writing, through which he can reach the Mujahideen.<sup>64</sup>

- One of the "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" Jihadi forum members, nicknamed Hadim\_Al\_Mojahidin, who is also a member of the "Jawal Al-Ansar" group – a group spreading Jihadi content to cell phones – announced the death of one of the forum's members in the fighting in Afghanistan. According to him, the real name of the surfer is Hamza Al-Alami, who was a pioneer of the forum's French chat room and of the forum in general.<sup>65</sup>
- The "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" forum in English published a fatwa by Sheikh Abu Osama Al-Shami, a member of the Religious Panel of the "Minbar Al-Tawheed

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<sup>64</sup> <http://www.shamikh.net/vb/showthread.php?t=56984>

<sup>65</sup> <http://www.as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?t=14921>

Wal-Jihad" website, belonging to the Salafi ideologist Abu Muhammad Al-Maqdisi. Abu Al-Shami is questioned on the fate of the Yemenite soldiers fighting the Houthis. He states that any Muslim belonging to an infidel army, whether it is the Yemenite Army or any other army, is considered a non-Muslim and mustn't be treated as a Muslim upon his death.<sup>66</sup>

- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported that the Turkish Police has arrested 120 people suspected of belonging to Al-Qaeda in Turkey. The Turkish media reported that it is possible that Al-Qaeda's leader in Turkey, Serdar Elbaşa, known as "Abu Zar" is also amongst those arrested.<sup>67</sup> The members of the "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" forum in English, doubted the report of Abu Zar's arrest, as according to them he is in Afghanistan.<sup>68</sup>
- A link to a clip on YouTube of a Belgian citizen who immigrated to Afghanistan and joined Al-Qaeda in order to fight the NATO forces.<sup>69</sup>



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### Miscellaneous

- One of the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" forum supervisors posted instructions on how to prepare Acetone Hydrogen Explosives on the forum's English chat room.<sup>70</sup> In addition, he posted instructions on how to prepare Ammonium Nitrate.<sup>71</sup>

<sup>66</sup> <http://ansarnet.info/showthread.php?t=18503>

<sup>67</sup> <http://hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=154091>

<sup>68</sup> <http://ansarnet.info/showthread.php?t=18328>

<sup>69</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100349>

<sup>70</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37631>

<sup>71</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37629>

- One of the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" Jihadi forum members posted information on computer programs on how to hide the surfer's identity.<sup>72</sup>
- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" forum posted security tips regarding the use of mobile phones.<sup>73</sup>
- The "Shumukh" Jihadi forum posted photographs of modern tiny spy cameras disguised in various objects such as a wristwatch.<sup>74</sup>
- A surfer at the "Al-Faloja" forum asked surfers who are knowledgeable in the field of explosives to publish manuals, video clips or links regarding how to manufacture explosives in a simple manner using everyday available materials, in order to use them against the Americans. One of the surfers posted links to a disk full of information for those wishing to enter the field of explosives.<sup>75</sup>



<sup>72</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37386>

<sup>73</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=36825>

<sup>74</sup> <http://www.shamikh.net/vb/showthread.php?t=57477>

<sup>75</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100387>

- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" forum published an announcement made by the new media institute, "Sada Al-Boraq", addressed to those wishing to join its ranks.<sup>76</sup>
- Protest against the fact that the Arab forums do not enable the Mujahideen, whose origin is non-Arab, to be called supervisors or members. One of the surfers complained that "in the Jihadi forums one does not hear the voice of groups from Turkey, Thailand, East China, Chechnya and Kurdish groups".<sup>77</sup>
- The "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" Jihadi forum announced the opening of a chat room in Russian.<sup>78</sup>
- One of the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" forum supervisors announced that the forum would pursue and warn against surfers who do not heed the forum's rules, who write out of ignorance or who seem to represent infidel countries and their intelligence services.<sup>79</sup>
- Due to the fact that the "Al-Faloja" forum and other forums have recently become inactive and their surfing speed is slower than usual, the "Al-Faloja" forum general supervisor issued a clarification explaining that "the criminals and the enemy" are constantly trying to attack the Jihadi forums and shut them down by any technological and intelligence means, and therefore, as a matter of policy and precaution, the forum managers took these preventive steps in order to protect the forums.<sup>80</sup>

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<sup>76</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37538>

<sup>77</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?t=100113>

<sup>78</sup> <http://www.as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?t=15008>

<sup>79</sup> <http://www.majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=37213>

<sup>80</sup> <http://alflojaweb.com/vb/showthread.php?p=717302#post717302>