

Periodical Review: Summary of Information from the Jihadi Forums

The First Half of January 2011

This report summarizes the most prominent events mentioned in the Jihadi online forums in the first half of January 2011. Following is a summary of the main issues raised in this report:

- The Islamic Emirate in Afghanistan published the 56th issue of the "Al-Somood" Jihadi magazine.
- The Amir of Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb published two audio tapes following the wave of demonstrations in Tunisia and Algeria.
- Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb claimed responsibility for the kidnapping of two Frenchmen in Niger.
- There was extensive coverage of the responses to the terrorist attack at the church in Alexandria on the Jihadi forums. Moreover, threats against Christians in Egypt and around the world continued.
- An announcement was made on the founding of a new Jihadi media institute – "Al-Qadisiyya".

New publications*Ideology*

- The "Al-Ma'asada" Jihadi media institute published translated versions of the movie "From Sheikh Osama bin-Laden to the French People" in English, French, and Russian.¹
- The "Al-Ma'asada" Jihadi media institute published a translated Kurdish version of the movie "Who will help Aafia Siddiqui", by Sheikh Ayman Al-Zawahiri.²
- The GIMF published a 139-page long book titled "The War of Minds: the dimensions and secrets of the world of intelligence and espionage". The book was written by Sheikh Abdullah bin Muhammad.³ In the book's preface, the author thanks the following people for helping him in his writing: "Asad Al-Jihad2" – one of the oldest and most prominent writers on the Jihadi forums, Sheikh Abu Al-Zubayr Al-Ibab – the religious leader of Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula, and Sheikh Abu Al-Mundhir Al-Shanqiti – a Jihadist cleric who serves on the Sharia Committee of Abu Muhammad Al-Maqdisi's website.
- The "Al-Ma'asada" Jihadi media institute published a 17-page long booklet titled "An interview with one of the survivors of the inferno of 'The Palestine Branch', the famous secret prison in Syria".⁴
- The "Al-Ma'asada" Jihadi media institute published the second video lecture of the series "Planning and Administration in Islam". The video is titled "The Planning". The lecture in the video was given by Sheikh Abu Talal Al-Qasimi.⁵

¹ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

² <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

³ <http://www.atahadi.com/vb>

⁴ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

⁵ <http://majahden.com/vb>

Al-Qasimi was of Egyptian origin. He was a member of the "Al-Jama'a Al-Islamiya" Shura Council and was one of the organization's most prominent preachers.

He was imprisoned in an Egyptian jail but managed to escape to Afghanistan to take part in the fighting against the Soviets. After the Afghanistan war, he left for Europe and settled in Denmark. When war broke out in Bosnia, he tried to participate in the Jihad there but was apprehended by the Croatian authorities and extradited to Egypt. It is likely that he was executed in the late 1990s following his involvement in the assassination attempt of President Mubarak in Addis-Ababa in 1995.

Strategy

- The Jihadi propaganda group, "Jihadi Media Elite", published the 6th video clip of its campaign "Equip Us". The campaign began following a request by Mustafa Abu Al-Yazid to help the Mujahideen through financing and donations. Al-Yazid was Al-Qaeda's leader in Afghanistan before he was killed in May 2010.⁶

Instructional and Guidance Publications

- One of the surfers on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published a 124-page manual on the preparation of land mines. The manual was written by the Egyptian Ministry of Defense towards the end of the 1950s.⁷

⁶ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

⁷ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>



- A surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum asked for surfers with knowledge and expertise in the field of chemistry to clarify several problems he encountered while preparing a bomb. He wanted to know whether the liquid he prepared is nitric acid.⁸



The post was followed by this picture

- A surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum appealed to the forum's members, asking for their advice on how to procure nitric acid, which is used as a main component in the preparation of bombs. According to the surfer, it is very difficult to obtain the substance, from both a security standpoint and from an accessibility standpoint. His request was fulfilled – one of the forum's members posted a link for downloading a manual on the subject while another surfer posted links to video clips on the subject.⁹

⁸ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

⁹ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>



- The "Al-Fajr" Jihadi media institute published an audio segment titled "Concealment and hiding + the clandestine search". This is the 18th segment in a series of publications titled "The Industry of Terrorism: a Course on Security and Intelligence".¹⁰

Correspondence on the subject of unconventional explosive charges

- A surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum posted a question on whether toxic materials could be added to explosives or explosive charges, such as the charge detonated in the church in Alexandria. He received a response from another surfer who said that the toxic substance should be added to particles or fragments of the charge and not to the explosives themselves.¹¹

Promoting the Myth of the Shahid

- The "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" Jihadi forum published a eulogy in Arabic for Abu Qandahar, a Mujahid of Palestinian origin who was raised and lived in Zarqa, Jordan. For a long period of time, Abu Qandahar was the supervisor of the "Al-Ansar" chat room on "Paltalk", as well as the supervisor of the "Al-Ikhlās" Jihadi forum. Once the latter forum was shut down, he went on to supervise

¹⁰ <http://66.96.232.222/~majahden/vb>

¹¹ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

other forums until finally becoming the supervisor of the "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" forum. He was a supervisor at that forum for one year. He later joined the Jihad in Afghanistan, where he was killed in a bombing by American aircrafts.¹²

Magazines

- The Islamic Emirate in Afghanistan published the 56th issue of the "Al-Somood" Jihadi magazine.¹³ The new issue reviews the prominent events of 2010. It also covers the Mujahideen's activity in Afghanistan and contains an interview with the military commander of the Balkh Province.



¹² <http://as-ansar.com/vb>

¹³ <http://66.96.232.222/~majahden/vb>

Reports from the field

Afghanistan - Pakistan

- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum reported, on January 12th, 2010, that the Islamic Emirate in Afghanistan has produced a 40-minute long movie presenting the 'crimes' perpetrated by the American forces against the local Afghan population.¹⁴

Iraq

- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum published a list of Arab shahids killed in Iraq.¹⁵
- The "Islamic State of Iraq" (ISI) published, on January 13th, 2010, a detailed report of the military activity carried out by the organization in northern Baghdad.¹⁶

The Arabian Peninsula

- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum reported that, on January 1st, 2010, Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) claimed responsibility for 49 operations carried out over the course of the preceding five months in Yemen. The operations were carried out against foreigners, political and security services' headquarters, security personnel and military camps.¹⁷

¹⁴ <http://66.96.232.222/~majahden/vb>

¹⁵ <http://majahden.com/vb>

¹⁶ <http://66.96.232.222/~majahden/vb>

¹⁷ <http://majahden.com/vb>

The Maghreb

- Abu Musab Abd Al-Wadud, the Amir of Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM), published two audiotapes following the wave of demonstrations in Tunisia and Algeria. Following is a description of each tape:

- **“A call to our people rebelling in Algeria”** addresses the Muslims in Algeria. In the tape, Al-Wadud stresses that the Mujahideen welcome the riots against the corrupt government, put in power by the French. He states that the government is not implementing Islamic law and is collaborating with the Jews and the Christians. He commends the Muslims in Algeria for their rebellion and revolution against the government officials who are plundering the oil profits and living luxuriously at the expense of the poor people.

In the tape, Al-Wadud asks whether it is just that the Ministries of Defense and Interior control public funds, bombard the Mujahideen, and oppress the people, while not shooting a single bullet against the Jews and Christians. He stresses the righteousness of the Algerian people's struggle, which he compares to the Mujahideen's struggle. He explains that the Mujahideen are fighting for them and for their religion.

Al-Wadud calls on the protestors to join the Jihad and to help the Mujahideen achieve victory by supplying manpower and funds. He also calls on the religious clerics to join and lead the struggle so as to bring down the secular government and establish an Islamic regime that will rule in accordance with Sharia law. Furthermore, he urges the Algerian professional unions, proletariat and students to join the fight and not to continue to simply watch it from the sidelines.

He calls on the public to continue with the "Intifada against the robbers", and notes that, without sacrifice and patience, their demands will not be fulfilled. Al-Wadud concludes by asking all of the residents in the Algerian provinces to join the fight against "the sons of France". He personally vows to continue with the Jihad and to take revenge on the government.¹⁸

- **"Aid and support for our people's Intifada in Tunisia"** is addressed to "our people in Tunisia". In the tape, Al-Wadud calls on the people of Tunisia to prepare themselves and to send their sons to acquire military knowledge and to be instructed in the use of weapons so that they may wage a decisive campaign against the Jews, the Crusaders, and their agents who rule the country. Al-Wadud attacks President Zine El-Abidine Ben Ali, accusing him of corruption and of oppressing the Muslims. He calls on the demonstrators to bring the president down and to implement Sharia law in Tunisia. He also calls for the uprising to be extended to the entire country and for the protestors to oust injustice by way of self-sacrifice. He states that and the Mujahideen share their plight.¹⁹



¹⁸ <http://al-jahafal.com/vb>

¹⁹ <http://al-jahafal.com/vb>

- A surfer on the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum called to the Tunisian people to elect a ruler that will implement Islamic law in the country in place of the secular constitution.²⁰
- The "Al-Andalus" Jihadi media institute, operating on behalf of Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb, published an announcement made by the organization. In the announcement, the organization claims responsibility for the abduction of two Frenchmen in Niger.²¹ The organization explains that, on January 7th, 2010 a cell led by Khalid Abu Al-Abbas broke into the diplomats' quarter at Niamey, the capital of Niger, and successfully abducted two Frenchmen. After the kidnapping, the French President foolishly tried to carry out an unsuccessful rescue operation, in the course of which the two abductees were killed while 29 French and Niger soldiers were killed and injured. The organization claims that the kidnappings were in response to France's combative policy towards the Muslims and its involvement in the affairs of the Sahil and Maghreb countries.

In the announcement, the organization asks Sarkozy and his government to learn from this affair and to change France's policy towards the Muslim nation. Furthermore, the organization addresses the French people, asking them to realize that they were led astray by their government and were fed false information regarding this affair. The organization says, "If you wish for peace and security then you must urge your government to change its exploitive and silly policy towards Islam and the Muslims". The organization also calls on the people of Niger to do some soul searching regarding their collaboration with the French and their fighting on behalf of French interests.

²⁰ <http://majahden.com/vb>

²¹ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>, <http://66.96.232.222/~majahden/vb>

- The supervisor of the technical section on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum, known as "Maysara", reported that the man who attacked the French embassy in Mali belonged to Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb and was of Tunisian origin. The man broke into the embassy with a gun and a bomb and began shooting in all directions until apprehended.²²
- The "Al-Andalus" institute, operating on behalf of Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb, published an annual report on the Mujahideen's activity in Algeria. The report claims that over 80 people from the security forces were injured or killed.²³
- One of the surfers on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published new photographs of the members of Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb. According to the surfer, the organization's members are not only active in Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco, but also in Nigeria, Mauritania, Niger and even Senegal.²⁴



The Al-Sham region

- A surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum suggested "Al-Qaeda in the Al-Sham" derive inspiration from the attack on the Coptic Church in Alexandria and destroy Maronite Churches, first outside of Lebanon and later

²² <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

²³ <http://al-jahafal.com/vb>

²⁴ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

on within the country. According to the surfer, the Coptic Christians and the Maronites are one and the same in light of their close collaboration to take over Islamic lands.²⁵

Egypt

Responses to the terrorist attack on the Coptic Church in Alexandria

As expected, the Jihadi forums published many responses to the terrorist attack carried out on New Year's Eve at the Coptic Church in Alexandria, which resulted in the death of over 20 Christian worshippers. The vast majority of the surfers praised the attack and reiterated the threats and ultimatums issued by the "Islamic State of Iraq" to the Egyptian Copts,²⁶ warning of further attacks against Christian targets in Egypt and around the world. Below is a summary of the main responses raised in the Jihadi forums following the attack:

- The "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published new photographs on behalf of the "Islamic State of Iraq" under the title of "The blessed invasion of Alexandria". The photographs are of the site of the attack.²⁷



²⁵ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

²⁶ <http://majahden.com/vb>. See also: http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_January_2011_No_1.pdf, pp. 19-20.

²⁷ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum supervisor wrote a post in which he said that many sheikhs, including Sheikh Abu Al-Mundhir Al-Shanqiti,²⁸ sanctioned attacking Christians and churches. Moreover, according to the supervisor, the attack on the Alexandria Church proves that the "Islamic State of Iraq" has crossed its territorial borders to defend Muslim men and women. Another supervisor on the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum attacked Hamas and Sheikh Yusuf Al-Qaradawi for their criticism of the perpetrators of the attack.²⁹
- A surfer on the "Atahadi" Jihadi forum published an audio segment by Sheikh Abu Basir Al-Tartusi, a Salafi-Jihadi sheikh of Syrian origin who currently resides in England. The segment addresses the terrorist attack carried out at the Coptic Church in Alexandria. In the audio segment, the Sheikh states that any attack meant to release Kamilia Shehata from her Christian captors is legitimate.³⁰
- The manager of the technical section on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum posted a correspondence titled: "Egypt's Christians: 1... 2... 3... 4... 5... Happy New Year!!!", In his post, the manager expresses joy over the terrorist attack carried out against the Coptic Church in Alexandria on New Year's Eve. He writes that he has been waiting a long time for such happy news and that he views the attack as a response to the Christians' attempts to prevent Muslim women from praying in Egypt.³¹

²⁸ See:

http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_Fatwas_October_2010.pdf, pp. 5-7.

²⁹ <http://majahden.com/vb>

³⁰ <http://www.atahadi.com/vb>

³¹ <http://shamikh1.net/vb>

- One of the surfers on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum wrote a post in which he states that the attack against the Copts in Alexandria is not enough and that it would be better to use this opportunity to carry out further attacks.³² According to this surfer, the attack in Alexandria succeeded in achieving several goals:
 1. The attack eliminated Christians in Egypt and served as a lesson to other Christian groups.
 2. The attack can be exploited since an organization has yet to claim responsibility for it and there are several possibilities as to the identity of the accountable group.
 3. The attack proved that it is possible and feasible to carry out terrorist attacks. Stopping the attacks may harm the Mujahideen's achievements and it is better to continue with these attacks until the Mujahideen's objective is reached, especially as the Christians in Egypt do not have much patience and will not be able to endure for long.

The surfer says however that "One terrorist attack is not enough! There is no escaping the need to carry out a series of such attacks and against various targets, that shall silence everybody and teach them there is no solution other than returning the sisters [meaning the Coptic women who converted to Islam, Kamilia and Wafa], and reverting the Christians back to their former size, which they do not deserve [...]".

- According to a senior surfer on the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum, the terrorist attack on the Alexandria Church illustrates the weakness of the Egyptian security.³³

³² <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>, <http://majahden.com/vb>

³³ <http://majahden.com/vb>

- A surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum called Abu Sulayman Al-Nasir sent a threatening message to the Christians in Egypt in which he warns that the attacks against them will continue so long as they continue to ignore the Mujahideen's demands to free the Muslim female prisoners they are holding captive. According to Al-Nasir, they have 48 hours to comply, otherwise all of their institutions will be targeted.³⁴ It should be noted that Al-Nasir is a very active surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum. He was also one of the first to post photographs of the suicide bomber who perpetrated an attack in Sweden at the end of December 2010, as well as one of the first to issue threats to the NATO countries in the aftermath of the Swedish attack.
- A surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum threatened that the Coptic community, both within as well as outside of Egypt, will no longer enjoy personal security and that the attacks against it will continue so long as Kamilia and Wafa are not released. In addition to the threats, the surfer gave explanations accompanied by illustrations on how to construct bombs. The instructions were taken from the Arabic version of the "Inspire" Jihadi magazine.³⁵
- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum's general supervisor, Abu Qatada Al-Muhajir, published an announcement condemning the accusations made by the Egyptian media towards the forum as if it was behind the attack on the Alexandria Church.³⁶
- A surfer on the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum posted correspondence explaining why Sinai is a good place for Jihad. According to the surfer, this is for several reasons:

³⁴ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

³⁵ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

³⁶ <http://majahden.com/vb>

the suitability of the Sinai Peninsula's topography for the Mujahideen's activity; the presence of the tribes in the area, which could help the Mujahideen; the proximity to the Suez Canal; the ability to attack Israel and increase the chances of reviving the Jihad movement in Egypt.³⁷

Africa

- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum quoted the Amir of the "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" movement, Mukhtar Abu Al-Zubayr, for the first time since the merger between the movement and the Islamic Party in Somalia.³⁸ In a speech he gave on the radio, Abu Al-Zubayr praised the merger and called on all of the Muslims around the world to join the Jihadi activities in Somalia.³⁹
- Photographs from Kismaayo, the third largest city in Somalia, depict the implementation of Sharia law in the country and the takeover of the "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen".⁴⁰
- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum reported that the season of "Zakat" collection and distribution in one of Somalia's Islamic provinces has begun.⁴¹
- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum published a list of ways to contact the "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" media institute, which is known as the "Al-Kataib institute for the production of media".⁴²

³⁷ <http://majahden.com/vb>

³⁸ See:

http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWVG_Periodical_Review_January_2011_No_1.pdf, pp. 24-25.

³⁹ <http://www.hanein.info/vb>

⁴⁰ <http://al-jahafal.com/vb>

⁴¹ <http://66.96.232.222/~majahden/vb>

⁴² <http://66.96.232.222/~majahden/vb>

- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported statements made by the Nigerian Police on January 3rd, 2011. In the statements, the police claimed that unidentified persons set fire to a church in a city in northern Nigeria. According to the police, the attack occurred in the same area where two other churches were previously set on fire on Christmas Eve killing six people.⁴³

The West and the rest of the world

- A surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum posted a list of churches in France that could be possible targets for terrorist attacks. In his post, the surfer explains that such an attack is necessary in light of the alleged ongoing incarceration of Kamilia Shehata by the Egyptian Coptic community.⁴⁴

General reports

- A surfer known as Abu Sulayman Al-Nasir posted a request on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum to all of the forum's members. Al-Nasir asks his fellow forum members to register to other forums, mailing lists, etc., to aid in spreading the call to help the Mujahideen in Afghanistan following the U.S.' intention to send an additional 1,400 soldiers to reinforce the American Forces there. According to Al-Nasir, who is known as an active surfer who has threatened the NATO countries in the past, the following steps should be taken:⁴⁵
 1. Make clear to other Muslims the Afghanistan problem and publish news on the Jihad in Afghanistan.
 2. Distribute the Mujahideen's publications in the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan.

⁴³ <http://www.hanein.info/vb>

⁴⁴ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

⁴⁵ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

3. Prepare publications devoted to immigration and Jihad in Afghanistan.
 4. Publish audio segments by Jihadi sheikhs such as Abdullah Azzam.
 5. Clarify the law regarding the commandment of Jihad for Allah and the commendations that fulfilling this duty brings.
 6. Call on those not participating to take part in the Jihad in Afghanistan by providing funds and manpower.
- An announcement was issued regarding the founding of the "Al-Qadisiyya" institute for media production. The institute is named after a famous 7th century battle which resulted in the Muslim armies' defeat of the Persians and their conquest of Iraq. This media institute will be part of the Jihadi propaganda system. It will translate material from Arabic to languages prevalent in the Indian subcontinent, such as Urdu, Hindi, Bengal, Pashtu and Persian. The institute will also publish all of the publications of "Sada Al-Jihad", which belongs to the GIMF.⁴⁶



- A supervisor on the "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum reported that Al-Qaeda will soon broadcast television and internet channels via the Google TV service.⁴⁷

⁴⁶ <http://al-jahafal.com/vb>

⁴⁷ <http://majahden.com/vb>

Miscellaneous

A summary of episode 14 of the program "The Creation of Horror" by Abu Ubeida Abdullah Al-Adm

Episode 14 of the program "The Creation of Horror", produced by the "Al-Fajr" media institute, dealt with three issues: (1) safeguarding the finances; (2) safeguarding the purchase and transport of weapons; (3) safeguarding training. The program was divided into three parts, each one pertaining to a different issue. Following is a summary of the episode's first two parts.

The name of the program in Arabic is "Sina'at Al-Irhab". A program by this name aired on the Al-Arabiya station and was severely criticised by writers identified with global Jihad organizations. The term "Sina'at Al-Irhab" can be translated to "The Industry of Terrorism", which was the name of the program at the Al-Arabiya station. However, it can also be translated to "The Creation of Horror", which is the meaning in this instance. Apparently, the program, which was produced by the "Al-Fajr" media institute, is a response by the global Jihad organizations to the critical program aired on Al-Arabiya.

Safeguarding the finances

The part of the episode on safeguarding finances reviews the steps that should be taken to hide and keep funds safe while in transit. It also reviews how to use these funds discreetly. The program's editor, Abu Ubeida Abdullah Al-Adm, a Salafi-Jihadist of Pakistani origin, explains that not only should the funds be guarded, but so should the "brothers" obtaining these funds. According to him, many "brothers" have fallen into traps laid by intelligence agents due to mistakes they made while obtaining the funds.

Abdullah Al-Adm states that money is the main component of Jihad and that a group or organization that does not have money cannot fight. According to Al-Adm, the economic bankruptcy the United States is experiencing will not allow it to wage the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq for much longer. He therefore predicts America's collapse, just as the Soviet Union collapsed.

Al-Adm stresses that an organization must not expand at the expense of its funds and power, as such a move can be disastrous to the organization. He also warns against situations where only a single donor is transferring funds to the organization, as this creates a dependency that may damage the organization's conduct.

According to Al-Adm, the best way to obtain funds is found in the sentence uttered by the Prophet Muhammad: "[The Lord] placed my livelihood under the shade of my spear". This is the basic way of obtaining funds, although he again stresses that an organization must not rely on one donor. He adds that a donor must not meet with the group's leaders and must agree to make donations according to the organization's terms. Al-Adm gives the example of Khalid Sheikh Muhammad, who was apprehended when he believed he was going to meet with a donor. Al-Adm therefore warns: "We do not trust any of the donors".

Later on in the program, Al-Adm explains that the funds should not be placed in one location, but rather they should be dispersed among several locations. Such precautions must be taken so that, in the case of a raid on one of the safe houses, not all of the money will be lost. He gives the example of a safe house in Pakistan, where approximately half a million dollars was seized.

Furthermore, Al-Adm explains that one must not move around with large sums of money, unless absolutely necessary. He recommends moving about with small sums of money instead. If it is necessary to carry large sums of money at once,

Al-Adm suggests hiding it well inside the car and preparing a cover story in advance to explain why one is carrying so much money. Al-Adm goes on to explain that only a few people need to know where the money is hidden.

Finally he suggests keeping the money with several people who are not related to Jihadi activities, so that if they are apprehended or questioned it will not cause any damage to the members of the Jihadi group. In addition, Al-Adm suggests keeping the funds far away from the organization's theater of activity and even hiding the money in the ground in case of an emergency.

Safeguarding weapons and ammunition

Abdullah Al-Adm stresses that weapons should not be purchased from just anyone. He explains that in many cases the arms dealer is in fact a spy or an intelligence officer. He gives an example of a "brother" who wished to purchase weapons for an operation in the U.S. However, the arms dealer was an FBI agent and apprehended the "brother". Al-Adm warns that imams at mosques may also turn out to be intelligence officers.

According to Al-Adm, the purchasing of weapons should be done in a secure manner. He explains that a Mujahid wishing to act abroad must not purchase the weapons himself, but, rather, should use an intermediary. In addition, he recommends buying the weapons and ammunition from several different sources, and taking steps such as purchasing the bullets from one dealer and the weapons from another. For example, he says if you wish to purchase ammonium nitrate, do so in small quantities and from several different locations so as not to arouse suspicion. Even in small quantities, however, the purchase should be carried out via intermediaries.

Finally, Abdullah Al-Adm explains that the weapons should be stored in several locations, all of which are on route to the target. The hiding places must be relatively near the target. He notes that the weapons should be well hidden, but one must take care not to get them wet.

- The "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum announced the opening of the "Forum's Faculty of Medicine".⁴⁸
- The "Atahadi" Jihadi forum announced the renewal of its activity and its return to the internet.⁴⁹
- One of the "Atahadi" Jihadi forum members noted that with the forum's return online, several modifications were made, the most important of which was to give new nicknames to the forum's surfers in accordance with the number of posts they have written. For example, a surfer with 50 posts will be called "new member", while a surfer with 4,000 posts will be called "outstanding surfer".⁵⁰

⁴⁸ <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb>

⁴⁹ <http://www.atahadi.com/vb>

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