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Periodical Review: Summary of Information from

the Jihadi Forums

The First Half of March 2011

This report summarizes the most prominent events mentioned in the Jihadi online forums over the course of the first half of March 2011. Following are the main issues raised in this report:

- The fourth part of Ayman Al-Zawahiri's speech to the citizens of Egypt was published.
- Abu Yahya Al-Libi issued publications following the events that transpired in Libya.
- Sheikh Atiyyah Allah, an Al-Qaeda leader, stressed that spilling the blood of innocent Muslims is prohibited.
- The "Turkistan Islamic Party" printed the 8th edition of its publication.
- A new Jihadi magazine dedicated to Muslim women was published.
- Unconfirmed reports circulated on the death of the Al-Qaeda mufti in the Arabian Peninsula and the serious injury of the organization's no. 2 man.
- Jihadi forums reported that the "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" have become more powerful.
- Details of the terrorist attack at the international airport in Frankfurt were revealed.
- The review is made of Jihadi propaganda on Facebook.



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New Publications

Ideology

 The "As-Sahab" Jihadi media institute published the fourth part of the audio tape made by Sheikh Ayman Al-Zawahiri titled "Message of Hope and Glad Tidings to our people in Egypt".¹

In this segment of his speech, Al-Zawahiri stresses the corrupt character of the Egyptian regime, expressed in the way it ingratiates itself with Israel and cooperates with the West, headed by the United States. The sickness which characterized the Egyptian regime in recent times has manifested in its adherence to secularism when the Islamic Sharia should have been the source for legislation for the Egyptian people, as well as for other Muslim nations.

In his opinion, the West turned a blind eye to Mubarak's repressive policies towards his people during the 30 years of his reign because he served the West's interests. The West then saw fit to support the demonstrators when it became clear that Mubarak's forces were unable to control them. Nevertheless, the West only wants a regime that will continue to serve its interests. Al-Zawahiri contends that the West is taking a hypocritical stand in the Middle East and is quick to wave the democratic flag, as a desired principle, when it is convenient for them, and to deny this principle when it does not suit its interests, such as its opposition to Hamas' victory in the elections for Palestine, its disregard of the Afghans' claims that the elections held in Afghanistan were faked, etc. Al-Zawahiri claims that the West is interested in spreading democracy throughout the Middle East that will recognize Israel as a state with military supremacy and nuclear weapons, a

¹ <u>http://www.shamikh1.net/vb</u>. For a summary of the first three parts, see: <u>http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG_Periodical_Review_February_2011_No_2.pdf</u>, pp. 3-6.



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democracy that will accept the uprooting of the Palestinians from their country and handing Palestine over to Israel.

According to Al-Zawahiri, the solution therefore to impose Sharia Law, to oppose Western hegemony in Islamic states, to stop the West's theft of the Islamic states' natural resources, to become activists, and to continue the Jihadi struggle, which will ultimately result in an Islamic regime.

Al-Zawahiri expresses his concern that if an Islamic regime in Egypt is established, there will be difficulties with the U.S. He therefore demands that the Egyptians not permit Omar Suleiman, former Head of the Egyptian Intelligence, to take over the regime, because he is still identified with Mubarak and is perceived as "a U.S. intelligence man".

Al-Zawahiri also criticizes the activities of the Egyptian army. For example, the army allowed thugs to attack the demonstrators on the "Day of Rage"; it supervised military courts in which many were sentenced to death; it cooperate with the U.S. army intelligence against the Muslim nation. Moreover, "the Egyptian army leadership is responsible for the peace treaty with Israel and for the Sinai Peninsula continuing to be a de-militarized zone, and it is responsible for the peace-keeping on Israel's southern borders and the continuation of the blockade on the Gaza Strip".

Al-Zawahiri implores the Egyptian nation to be cautious regarding entities who are trying to take over the regime in Egypt by agreement and who are receiving aid from the U.S. This trend is totally unacceptable to him.

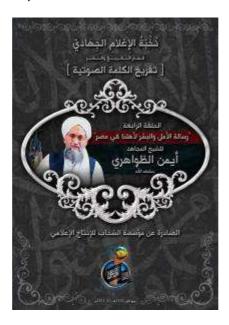
To conclude, Al-Zawahiri sends words of encouragement to the people of Tunisia, encouraging them to continue their struggle in weeding out the remains of the previous regime. He also expresses his support for the Mujahideen in Yemen who are fighting against the Yemenite regime. He



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contends that all the recent events are precursors to the U.S.'s defeat, as all its allies are falling one by one.



• The "As-Sahab" Jihadi media institute published statements made by Abu Yahya Al-Libi, identified as Al-Qaeda's religious leaders, titled "To the Sons of Our People in Libya." In his statements, Al-Libi praises the decisiveness of the Tunisians, Egyptians and Libyans in deposing their tyrant leaders. He claims that these events should serve as an example for all the Islamic nations to stop the tyranny and repression.

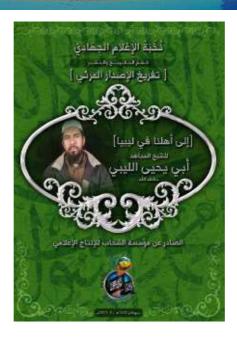
Al-Libi also discusses the West's hypocrisy towards the Muslim people. He points to the West's support of autocratic regimes such as Egypt, at a time when these rulers were torturing and killing many of their own citizens. As such, the West is an equal party to these regimes' crimes.

² http://www.al-jahafal.com/vb



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- The "Al-Ma'asada" Jihadi media institute published an article entitled "Help Allah and He will help you", written by Sheikh Abu Saed Al-Amili, a prominent Jihadi Salafi Sheikh in the Jihadi propaganda system, whose identity is unclear.³ In this article, Al-Amili examines the concept of victory in the Islamic tradition. He refers to the Mujahideen's successes in liberating a large part of the Islamic lands which were occupied by foreigners, such as Afghanistan, Pakistan, Somalia and other regions, and he describes them as Allah's victory.
- The "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" Jihadi forum published an audiotape of a debate with Hani Al-Siba'i, an Egyptian Islamist who heads the "Al-Maqreze" Center for Historical Studies.

The audio tape was published at the beginning of March 2011, in the "Minbar Al-Ansar" chat room, on the popular chat program PalTalk. During the debate, Al-Siba'i referred to the situation in Libya and to "Al-Gaddafi's crimes against the Muslims". He also spoke about the arrest of the Salafi Sheikh, Abu Al-

³ http://www.shamikh1.net/vb





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Walid Al-Maqdisi, the Emir of the Palestinian Jihadi Salafi group, "Jamaat Al-Tawhid wal-Jihad", and others. The debate lasted 5 hours and 15 minutes.⁴

Strategy

• The "As-Sahab" Jihadi media institute published a video tape titled "Strengthening the Sanctity of the Muslims' Blood" by Sheikh Atiyyah Allah, a senior Al-Qaeda leader. The tape was published in three different languages – Arabic, Urdu and Pashto.

In the video, Atiyyah criticizes the slanderous campaign the West and its allies are conducting against the Mujahideen, manifested in their depiction of the Mujahideen as killers of innocent Muslims and robbers. Attiyah stresses that Al-Qaeda has no connection to these unfounded accusations and he implores the Mujahideen to openly state that it is completely forbidden to kill innocent Muslims. He also calls upon the Mujahideen to do the following:

- 1. Issue a command to all fighting units to avoid attacks in crowded areas such as mosques, markets, playgrounds, etc.
- Be cautious regarding attacks known as Tatarus attacks, i.e. attacking
 Muslims who are located in areas of non-believers. The Emirs must show
 good judgment in this respect.
- Transfer the supervision of the quality of the attacks to special authorized committees consisting of Sharia students and military personnel, who will decide whether to authorize attacks or not.
- 4. The Mujahideen leaderships must provide the Mujahideen in general and the shahids in particular with knowledge of Sharia Law. Moreover, they

5 http://www.shamikh1.net/vh

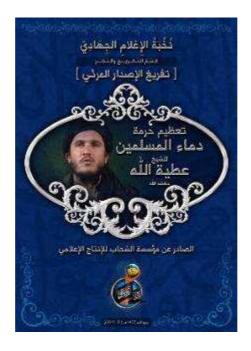
⁴ http://as-ansar.com/vb



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must completely avoid sending shahids to perpetrate attacks against dubious targets.



A surfer on the "Hanein" Jihadi forum published correspondence under the heading "Sheikh Atiyyah Allah rewrites the Al-Qaeda constitution". In his correspondence, the surfer praises Atiyyah Allah's recent publications in which he expressed his opposition to killing innocent people – Muslim and non-Muslim. However, the surfer contends that Atiyyah Allah's words fell on deaf ears and the attacks, in which innocents are killed, continue. And a few weeks ago, writes the surfer, Ayman Al-Zawahiri published a speech in which he repeats Attiyah Allah's words and condemns harming innocent people (see reference further on in this report) whether they are Muslims or Christians. Al-Zawahiri's speech was made in response to the attack on the Coptic Church in Alexandria on the New Year. The surfer continues to praise Atiyyah Allah's statements and calls on all those who support Al-Qaeda to read his publications.⁶

⁶ http://www.hanein.info/vb



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Promoting the myth of the shahid

• The "As-Sahab" Jihadi media institute published a video entitled "The Journal of a Mujahid (1)". The video follows the daily routine of the Mujahideen in Afghanistan, including finding food, praying and leaving for an attack. Two shahids in particular are mentioned in the video - Abu Qandahar and Abu Hajir Al-Makki.





Magazines

The Jihadi forums published links to download edition No. 8 of the Turkistan Islamic Party's publication.⁸ This publication, like the previous ones, mostly focuses on the repressive policies of the Chinese authorities towards the Muslim population in China. The publication also refers to the attacks the group perpetrated in the past against China and to the biography of one of the group's shahids.

⁷ http://www.shamikh1.net/vb
⁸ http://al-jahafal.com/vb



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• The "Al-Shamikha" Jihadi media institute published a new 31 page-long Jihadi magazine for women called "Al-Shamikha". The magazine is being distributed by the Al-Fajr Jihadi media center. It gives advice to Muslim women on matters such as marrying the right person, personified by the Mujahideen, caring for one's skin by staying indoors and covering one's faces, first-aid, and ethics. The magazine also contains interviews with several wives of shahids.

⁹ http://www.shamikh1.net/vb



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The "Sumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published the 27th edition of its "Al-Waqi" magazine. The magazine focuses on news relating to the Mujahideen and to burning international issues. For example, announcements were published regarding the resignation of Hosni Mubarak from the presidency in Egypt, the resignation of the Palestinian government, a warning issued by Italy to Europe regarding waves of immigration from Tunisia into Europe, and more. 10

¹⁰ http://www.shamikh1.net/vb

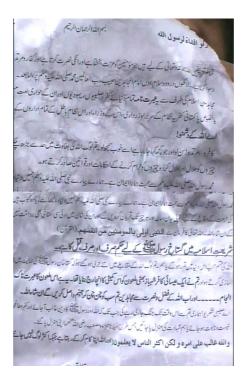


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Reports from the Field

Afghanistan - Pakistan

 Al-Qaeda and the Punjabi-Taliban movement claimed responsibility for the assassination of the Pakistani Minister for Minorities on March 2nd, 2011.¹¹



<u>Iraq</u>

• An announcement was made by the Propaganda Department of the "Jama'at Ansar Al-Islam". The announcement addresses the Mujahideen and the Muslims in Egypt and all other Islamic regions. It warns Egyptian citizens to beware of "Iranian, Zionist and Crusader plots" and stresses that Mubarak's removal does not mean the removal of the autocratic rule. The group calls upon the Mujahideen to continue to examine, with great attentiveness, the dangers and threats posed to the Jihadi enterprise as well as to examine the

¹¹ http://al-jahafal.com/vb



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Iraqi Jihadi model and all of its military, political, propaganda and Sharia aspects.¹²

 An announcement was made by the Propaganda Department of "Jama'at Ansar Al-Islam" regarding the processions that took place recently in Iraq. In the announcement, the group praises the demonstrations and condemns the "Shiite government in Iraq", which discriminates ethnically and which is supported by the U.S.

However, the group states that the Iraqi government cannot be deposed through demonstrations, but can only be removed by force of arms. It clarifies that Sharia Law permits Muslims to fight against a heretic tyrant, but not against a Muslim ruler who rules in the path Islam, unless he has abandoned the religion.

According to the "Jama'at Ansar Al-Islam" announcement, the Shiite government and the Kurdish parties in Iraq are not a legal regime and it is forbidden to obey their laws or belong to their parties. Moreover, the regime must be fought against and removed. The group calls on all Muslims in Iraq to support the Mujahideen in the Sunni areas. It emphasizes that the demands made at the demonstrations do not reach the level of commitment required by Sharia Law. Rather, the government of Iraq must be declared a non-legitimate occupational government and the youth must be encouraged to organize themselves to depose the government and the Iraqi regime. United demonstrations must be held, with Sharia slogans against the government. Moreover, the security forces must not be relied on for the demonstrations because they symbolize the remains of the occupation.

¹² http://al-jahafal.com/vb



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Finally, the group stresses in its announcement that the Mujahideen's achievements in Iraq have changed the U.S.' plans in the region and have forced it to recruit internal entities to serve its goals.¹³

- The "Sanam Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published an announcement made by the
 "Islamic State of Iraq" regarding the attacks which the organization carried out
 against the Iraqi security forces in the Baghdad region. The announcement
 enumerates the various attacks carried out over the past two months.¹⁴
- The "Al-Yaqin" Jihadi media center published an announcement entitled: "One
 of the members of the Jihadi forums, Abu Omar Al-Shami, was called to Iraq
 and perpetrated a suicide attack". The terrorist's will is mentioned.¹⁵



The Arabian Peninsula

 Unconfirmed reports circulated regarding the death of Ibrahim Al-Rubaish, the Mufti of Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula, and the mortal wounding of Said Al-Shihri, the organization's no. 2 man. According to the reports, they were

¹³ http://al-jahafal.com/vb

¹⁴ http://www.snam-s.net/vb

¹⁵ http://www.shamikh1.net/vh





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caught in an explosion in Yemen "while preparing a Jihad attack against those who have abandoned the religion". ¹⁶

The Maghreb

Sheikh Abu Muslim Al-Jazairi published on the "Al-Jahafil" forum questions he
received from surfers via the "Minbar Al-Tawhid wal-Jihad" website, which is
identified with Abu Muhammad Al-Magdisi.

He responded to these questions in a publication posted under the heading "to our brethren in Libya and the whole Muslim world". In his response, he protests the fact that the Arab leaders are actually ruled by the Jews and the Crusaders and he calls for their downfall. Algeria and Tunisia are considered to be in the French camp, Egypt and Morocco are in the U.S. camp and Libya is in the Italian camp.

The Sheikh reveals that he tried to motivate the Muslim world after he had formulated a plan by holding a symposium via the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum. However, the symposium did not receive a large response despite its importance. Nevertheless, he thanks Sheikh Abu Saed Al-Amili who helped him to organize it.¹⁷

• Abu Al-Fadl Madhi, a prominent writer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum, published correspondence under the heading: "Libya on its way to being Iraq". In the correspondence, he discusses possible scenarios and consequences of the revolution in Libya in light of the American intervention. Al-Fadl believes that an Islamic regime in Libya, in place of Al-Gaddafi's regime, will be a nightmare for the West due to the possibility that such a regime will influence all of the North African and the Black African states.

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¹⁷ http://www.al-jahafal.com/vb



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Gaddafi's statements that he will eliminate the rebel nests in his country and Saif Al-Islam's remarks regarding the breakout of a civil war and the establishment of an Islamic emirate due to the loss of political order place the West in a dilemma as to how to act.¹⁸

 The "Sanam Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published an announcement, which was originally sent by the incarcerated Salafi-Jihadists in Morocco at the end of February 2011 to the "Al-Maqreze" Center in London. In the announcement, the prisoners demand their unconditional release.¹⁹

The Al-Sham region

• "Jama'at Al-Tawhid wal-Jihad" published an announcement following the arrest of the group's leader, Sheikh Abu Al-Walid Al-Maqdisi. Al-Maqdisi was arrested on March 2nd, 2011 by Hamas' homeland security force after he was kidnapped from the Al-Shati camp in the Gaza Strip. He had been moving from place to place in the Gaza Strip, during a two-year manhunt for him.²⁰

It should be noted that following this arrest, there was a decline in the number of religious rulings published on the "Minbar Al Tawhid wal-Jihad" website, where Al-Sheikh Abu Al-Walid Al-Maqdisi used to write.

- One of the members of the "Sumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum asked the surfers
 to pray for the release of Mu'taz Daghmash, a Palestinian Jihadi Salafi activist,
 and his comrades, who were caught by the Egyptian security forces on
 Egyptian soil whilst aiding their brethren.²¹
- One of the members of the "Atahadi" Jihadi forum called attention to an announcement published previously in the Jordanian daily newspaper "Al-

¹⁸ http://www.shamikh1.net/vb

¹⁹ http://www.snam-s.net/vh

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²¹ http://www.shamikh1.net/vb



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Sabeel" regarding the participation of Jihadi Salafists in demonstrations held in a number of Jordanian towns, such as Ma'an, Irbid, Karak etc.

During the demonstrations, the Jihadi Salafists demanded that the Jordanian regime release the Islamic prisoners who were sentenced to long prison terms, allegedly for harming the state's security. They also demanded instating Sharia Law in the country and a declaration of Jihad against the infidels. A number of the senior leaders of the Salafi stream in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, such as Abu Muhammad Al-Tahawi and Dr. Sa'ad Al-Haniti, participated in the demonstrations.²²





Egypt

• One of the members of the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published a video which he found on YouTube entitled "The Egyptian army is torturing one of the Brothers who escaped from the 'Al-Fayum' prison... the full story... on video". The forum placed the video at the top of its list of Jihadi publications.²³

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<u>Africa</u>

- The Global Islamic Media Front (GIMF) published a video of a prisoner from Burundi, Nzobonantumye Therence, who was captured by the "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen movement" on February 22nd, 2011.²⁴
- The Jihadi forums published photographs of the "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" movement in Somalia that depict the movement's strength and growing support. The photographs show white and black flags identified with Jihadi organizations.²⁵



- Somali tribes held a military demonstration on March 9th, 2011, in Mogadishu and announced that they were joining the Mujahideen. They swore allegiance to Sheikh Abu Al-Zubayr, the Mujahideen Emir in Somalia.²⁶
- The "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" movement organized an intensive campaign in the center and the south of Somalia to recruit fighters and to encourage the public to join the Jihad. Hundreds of fighters joined at the movement's recruiting centers and were sent to fight in Mogadishu.²⁷

²⁴ http://www.shamikh1.net/vb

²⁵ http://al-jahafal.com/vb

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The West and the rest of the world

• On March 2nd 2011, a young Muslim from Kosovo shot at a bus taking American soldiers to the international airport in Frankfurt, Germany. As a result of the shooting, two American soldiers were killed. The perpetrator was a 21 year old German citizen, Aref Awka, a.k.a. Abu Reyyan, who was born in Germany but is of Kosovo origin. He worked at the airport in Frankfurt. He was active on the Internet calling for Jihad and condemning the German Chancellor.²⁸

²⁸ http://al-jahafal.com/vb



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• The "Sanam Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published statements made by the Emir of the Islamic Emirate in the Caucasus, Dokka Abu Uthman. In the statements, the Emir instructs his fighters to start an all out war against Russia. He also reiterates his call for women to participate in Jihad and he calls on Muslims outside of the Caucasus to join the Jihad: "The Jihad is the duty of all of us".



Abu Uthman is in the center

General Reports

 Following Ayman Al-Zawahiri's statements that Bin Laden had asked him to remind the Mujahideen to avoid attacking civilian targets – both Muslim and non-Muslim – in mosques, markets and crowded areas, a surfer on the "Al-Jahafil" forum wondered whether the Al-Qaeda leadership was serious. The surfer asked whether the Al-Qaeda leadership was backtracking because of the



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tragedies these attacks had caused to innocent civilians and whether the cell leaders will obey this order.²⁹

- Sheikh Abu Muhammad Al-Sheikh Abu Muhammad Al-Maqdisi made a short announcement a few weeks ago from his prison cell: "I had been asked to disparage the Mujahideen and to criticize the Jihad, to praise the supporters of tyranny, to renounce my writings, and document it in writing and photographs. I refused to do so and stated that I prefer to be in prison. They surrounded my house with their vehicles and asked me again and again to go with them for interrogation. They arrested some of my visitors and my brothers. When they tired of not getting what they wanted, they returned me to prison to put me on trial for supporting the Oneness of God, the Jihad and the Mujahideen... I say to my brethren: I hereby pledge that I will never betray my religion or the Jihad or the Mujahideen, even if I have to remain behind bars for the rest of my life."³⁰
- The "Atahadi" Jihadi forum announced an "Open Meeting" that will go on for four days, to be held at the beginning of March, between members of the forum and Sheikh Abu Basir Al-Tartusi, a Salafi Sheikh from Syria who is identified with Al-Qaeda and who resides in London. In this open meeting, the forum members will have the opportunity to ask the Sheikh questions on various topics. The meeting itself is being held in coordination with "The Palestinian Room The Quran and the Sword", which is on the popular PalTalk chat program.³¹
- One of the senior prominent members of the "Sumukh Al-Islam" forum, Hafid
 Al Hussein, asked the surfers to help him to gather email addresses of
 reporters who work for newspapers and news channels. He explained that he

²⁹ http://al-jahafal.com/vb

³⁰ http://al-jahafal.com/vb

³¹ http://www.atahadi.com/vb



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intends to send them articles and photographs related to Jihad. as an example, he gave the email addresses of departments and employees working at the CBS News network, ABC News, Fox News channel, etc. Other surfers also compiled lists of email addresses such as reporters who work for Egyptian newspapers.³²

 An announcement was made on two forums supporting Jihadi propaganda in Indonesia: The "Al-Bushra" forum and the "Al-Tawbah" forum. Both forums require registration.³³





Miscellaneous

- A blog dedicated to Sheikh Ibrahim Al-Rubaish, known as Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula's Mufti, went online: http://ibrahimalrubaish.maktoobblog.com.³⁴
- The "Sanam Al-Islam" Jihadi forum reported the establishment of a new media institute which will be part of the Jihadi propaganda system and which will

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³³ http://al-jahafal.com/vb





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publish Jihadi publications on The "Sanam Al-Islam" Jihadi forum – named "Al-Qabidun Ala Al-Jamr" (Holders of the Flame).³⁵



Facebook – an additional operational tool for the Jihadi organizations on the Internet

Jihadi activities on the Internet are not only on the Jihadi forums and blogs, but can be found in additional platforms which help in spreading the Salafi-Jihadi ideology. The popular social network "Facebook" is an excellent tool for Jihadi propaganda, which was able to identify its large potential. The anonymity, the possibility of forming closed debate groups, the ability to spread Jihadi content to large communities and the potential to recruit new activists for the Jihad organizations – all these caught the eye of the Salafi-Jihadi supporters.

For example, on March 2nd, 2011, a Muslim terrorist of Albanian origin perpetrated a shooting attack at the international airport in Frankfurt killing two American soldiers. He made contact with Islamic entities on "Facebook", who aided in his radicalization.

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³⁵ http://www.snam-s.net/vb



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In light of the growing importance of the "Facebook" network to Jihadists and to those in charge of the Jihadi propaganda, we will review a number of social groups who have used this network to advance their radical agendas:

1. "Al-Murasilun":³⁶ This is the most active group on "Facebook" regarding the dissemination of official material appearing on Jihadi forums. The group's home page is divided into four main categories: news, Da'awa, technical matters and women. More than 1,900 members have registered to this group. The group also publishes an electronic magazine named "Al-Hisad" every Monday and Thursday, which contains news items and articles on Jihadi issues.³⁷ The group also has a "Facebook" page for its magazine with 357 members.



2. The "Islamic State of Iraq":³⁸ A new group that was formed in early March 2011; it has 34 members.

³⁶ http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=240295621236

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³⁸ http://www.facebook.com/pages/Islamic-

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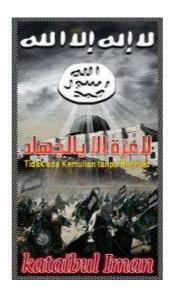
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3. "Kataibul Imam": ³⁹ A Jihadi propaganda group whose "Facebook" page is in the Indonesian language. The page has 1549 registered members. The group has an additional "Facebook" page called 'Kataibul Imam for Statements', with 109 members. ⁴⁰



- 4. The "Islamic State of Afghanistan": 1033 members. 41
- 5. The "Islamic Emirate of the Caucasus": 2909 members. 42



³⁹ http://www.facebook.com/pages/Kataibul-Iman/122093471188457

⁴⁰ http://www.facebook.com/pages/Kataibul-Iman-for-Statements/129864413752196

⁴¹ http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=18548205700

http://www.facebook.com/group.php?qid=406177430999



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6. "Minbar Al-Tawhid wal-Jihad": This group operates for the Salafi site "Minbar Al-Tawhid wal-Jihad", established by the well-known Jordanian Salafi Sheikh, Abu Muhammad Al-Maqdisi, who is at present incarcerated in a Jordanian prison for aiding terrorists headed by Chechen militants from the Islamic Emirates of the Caucasus. The group has 90 registered members but it would seem that the group is hardly active.⁴³



7. The "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" movement – Jaysh Al-Usra in Somalia: 150 registered members.⁴⁴



44 http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=153336231348475

⁴³ http://www.facebook.com/pages/%D9%85%D9%86%D8%A8%D8%B1-%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%AA%D9%88%D8%AD%D9%8A%D8%AF-%D9%88%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%AC%D9%87%D8%AF/285147742686



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8. The news channel of the "Al-Kata'ib" media institute: the news channel operates on behalf of the "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" movement. Its "Facebook" page has 123 registered members. The channel operates in other areas besides the Somali Jihad arena and distributes material connected to all the Jihadi arenas.



⁴⁵ http://www.facebook.com/alkataib.channel