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This report summarizes the most prominent events raised in the Jihadi online forums in the second half of August 2010. Following are the main issues dealt with in this report:

- The Jihadi forums are continuing to publish instructional audio tapes within the framework of the security and intelligence course.
- The publication of the 51<sup>st</sup> edition of the "Al-Somood" Jihadi magazine.
- The Taliban carry out a series of suicide attacks against the Shiites in Pakistan.
- The terror attacks in Iraq continue, following the withdrawal of American troops.
- Fighting between Yemeni security forces and Al-Qaeda activists in the south of the country.
- The surrender to the authorities of former leaders of the "Salafist Group for Preaching and Combat" in Algeria.
- The "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" in Somalia declare a Jihadi campaign to end the presence of foreigners in the country.
- A new Amir for the Islamic movement in Uzbekistan – Usmon Odil.

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## New Publications

### Ideology

- Additional sermons by Sheikh Khaled bin Abd Al-Rahman Al-Husaynan [a.k.a. Abu Zaid Al-Kuwaiti] were published by the "As-Sahab" Jihadi Media Institute, within the framework of a series of filmed sermons for Ramadan. Al-Husaynan is the Imam and preacher at one of Kuwait's mosques, but is apparently currently living in Afghanistan. The sermons deal with a range of topics such as: prayers, returning to the religion, Shahids, descriptions of paradise, God and more.<sup>1</sup>
- The Arabic Jihadi forum "Ansar Al-Mujahideen" published a video titled "In the Land of Khorasan: Torture by sewing together the mouths of the incarcerated". The opening words of the video state that the film is due to the wish of the Taliban to expose the crimes perpetrated against Muslims in Afghan prisons, such as the sewing up of their mouths.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_August\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG_Periodical_Review_August_2010_No_2.pdf), pages 5-6;

<http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?p=108423>,  
<http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?p=108785>,  
<http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=68108>,  
<http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=68269>,  
<http://www.atahadi.com/vb/showthread.php?p=116034>,  
<http://www.i7ur.com/vb/t15596.html>,<http://almadad1.com/vb/showthread.php?p=2513>,  
<http://almadad1.com/vb/showthread.php?p=2571>,<http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?p=111068>,<http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?p=111333>,<http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?p=111744>,<http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?t=27714>,<http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?t=27790>.

<sup>2</sup><http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?t=27055>

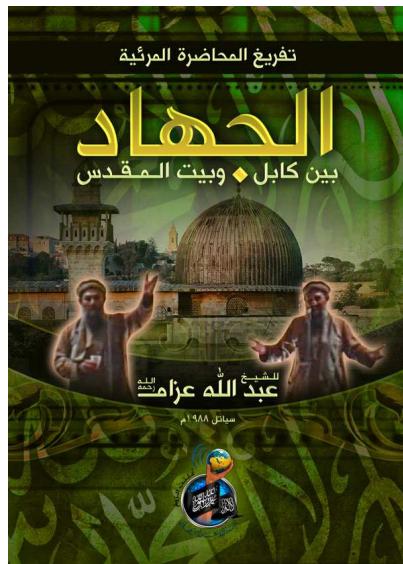
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- The "Nukhbat Al-'Ilam Al-Jihadi" Media Institute published a booklet titled: "Jihad: Between Kabul and Jerusalem". The booklet is the text of a lecture given by Abdullah Azzam in Seattle in 1988. A video tape of this lecture was released in 2008, but this is the publication of the transcript.<sup>3</sup>



- The "Caucasian Voice" Jihadi Media Institute, which serves as the mouthpiece of the Islamic Emirates of Caucasus, released a video tape titled "50 years of the Islamic Emirates of Caucasus".<sup>4</sup>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=68884>

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=69549>

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- A new propaganda manual was published on the Al-Qimmah English forum.<sup>5</sup>

The manual, "Raising Al-Qaeda – A Look into the Long Term Obligations of the Global Jihad Movement", was written by the recently arrested Abu Talxah Al-Amriki, also known as 20 year old Adam Zachary Chesser. Chesser was arrested and charged with providing material support to "Al-Shabab", an Al-Qaeda-linked terrorist organization based in Somalia.<sup>6</sup>

The manual begins by describing a situation in which Muslim parents are more preoccupied with their children going on a blessed Jihad rather than drugs and alcohol. This, combined with the progress made within the arena of global Jihad, means that Muslims all over the world should prepare for the longevity of the movement. A suggestion is that this can be achieved via the normalization of the concept of dying for the sake of God. Another recommendation is to present Da'awa, Jihad and Tawhid in a "smarter" manner. Yet, the main purpose of this manual is to return Jihad to its former mainstream status, and to remove the sense of "otherness" associated with it by Muslims.

Abu Talxah divides the document into five main chapters and a few subsections. One section targets the "Mustache Only" generation – the author describes this group as Muslims who have abandoned Jihad and Allah, and should not be targeted for recruitment as Mujahideen. However, there should be an attempt to convince them of the benefits of Jihad.

<sup>5</sup> <http://www.alqimmah.net/showthread.php?t=18322>

<sup>6</sup> [http://www.adl.org/main\\_Terrorism/abu\\_talhah.htm](http://www.adl.org/main_Terrorism/abu_talhah.htm)

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In "The Forgotten Fifty Percent" section, Abu Talxah focuses on the female target audience. He states that "encouraging words" should come from a mother, sister or a wife as opposed to from male members of society. He further recommends that Muslim woman should take part in financing operations and organizational functions, as well as "producing a new generation of Mujahideen".

Most of the manual is dedicated to targeting a young audience with propaganda, specifically children. By approaching Muslims at a young age, it can be ensured that they are raised with a love of Jihad, and therefore achieve higher goals. "Maturing and Diversifying Jihadi Media" concentrates on other target audiences and how to approach them. These audiences include those with an I.Q. of below 100, sinful Muslims and Madhabi Muslims. Abu Talxah Al-Amriki concludes with the suggestion that the Jihadi media follows the example of the Mujahideen in Yemen as their productions use the greatest variety and innovation.

## *Strategy*

- The "Ansar Al-Islam" Jihadi Media Institute published a video tape in cooperation with "Kataib Jund Al-Tawhid",<sup>7</sup> called "The campaign to avenge the blood of the two Sheikhs: Abu Hamza Al-Muajir and Abu Omar Al-Baghdadi". The tape calls upon the Jihadi factions in Iraq to participate in a campaign to avenge the assassination of the two sheikhs in April 2010. This would take the form of attacks against those Muslims who cooperate with the American forces and the Iraqi government's institutions. In order to demonstrate the willingness and responsiveness to this campaign, the tape

<sup>7</sup> A Jihadi Iraqi faction apparently formed in November 2008.

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presents a number of attacks carried out by "Kataib Jund Al-Tawhid" against the Iraqi regime, such as the shooting of a Katyusha rocket at a police station in southern Baghdad.<sup>8</sup>



- The "Al-Ma'asada" Jihadi media institute published a theory course by Sheikh Abu Saed Al-Amili, a Salafi Sheikh of unclear identity, on the topic of carrying out Da'awa secretly.<sup>9</sup>

*Instructional and Guidance Publications*

- The "Al-Fajr" Jihadi Media Institute published further audio segments within the framework of the series "The terrorism industry: A security and intelligence course". The sixth segment, by Sheikh Abu Ubeida Abdullah Al-Adm, is titled "The recruiting method and the security of documents". Al-Adm is apparently a Pakistani Salafi Jihadi.<sup>10</sup> Also published were: the seventh audio segment of this series, "Securing the documents"<sup>11</sup>; the eighth

<sup>8</sup> <http://almadad1.com/vb/showthread.php?p=2418>

<sup>9</sup> <http://majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=3867>

<sup>10</sup> <http://almadad1.com/vb/showthread.php?t=1078>

<sup>11</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=68670>

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segment, "The security of the buildings and the treatment of them"<sup>12</sup>; and the ninth segment, "Security structures"<sup>13</sup>.

- The "Al-Andalus" Jihadi media Institute, which is part of Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb, published a video tape in honor of Ramadan titled "Warfare is Ordained for you" – an expression taken from the Quran (Surah 2, Verse 216). The tape depicts a 2-day Jihadi seminar which was held in the Sahara Desert by Al-Qaeda in the Maghreb. The tape is unique in terms of the range of nationalities of the organization's activists who donated their time to the seminar, each of them in his own mother-tongue. The languages included: Arabic, Fulani, Tuareg, Portuguese, Hausa and French. The seminar itself commenced with a recitation of verses from the Quran, recognizing the importance of fulfilling the Jihadi commandment, the recitation of lamentations over a number of Shahids, and promises that the victory of the Mujahideen is near.<sup>14</sup>
- Abdullah Dhu Al-Bajadin is the author of military encyclopedias for the Mujahideen. The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum published the second part of his answers to questions posed by surfers on various military issues, e.g. the preparation of homemade explosives.<sup>15</sup>

*Promoting the Myth of the Shahid*

- The "Al-Ma'asada" Jihadi Media Institute published an anthology containing audio segments, video segments and essays written by Abu Dujana Al-

<sup>12</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=70021>

<sup>13</sup> <http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?t=27797>

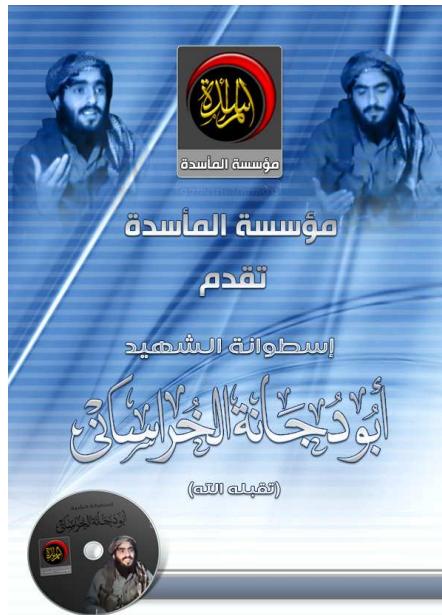
<sup>14</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?p=389484>

<sup>15</sup> <http://majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=4229>. See Also:

[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_August\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG_Periodical_Review_August_2010_No_2.pdf), page 11.

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Khorasani, who carried out a suicide attack on a CIA base in Afghanistan in February 2010.<sup>16</sup>



- The "Al-Ma'asada" Jihadi Media Institute published an interview with the mother of Shahid Abu Saed Al-Tunisi. Al-Tunisi immigrated to Iraq and fought with "the Islamic State of Iraq", where he was the organization's sharpshooter. In the interview his mother describes details of her son's life, including the shock experienced by the family when they immigrated to Europe, which resulted in them becoming more religious.<sup>17</sup>

<sup>16</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=69710>  
<sup>17</sup> <http://www.atahadi.com/vb/showthread.php?t=26433>

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- The "Al-Furqan" Jihadi Media Institute published a 7-page booklet titled: "Abu Masira Al-Iraqi", which is number 46 in the series of publications "The Biographies of the Shahids". Al-Iraqi was born in Iraq and even as a child studied Islamic sciences. Upon the occupation of Iraq by the United States he joined the "Jama'at Al-Tawhid wal-Jihad" – the group formerly headed by Abu Musab Al-Zarqawi, who he was close to. Al-Iraqi served as the deputy to the head of the group's propaganda department, as well as being the organization's official spokesman on the internet and in Jihadi forums.<sup>18</sup>

### Ongoing Events

- The "Jund'Allah Studio" Jihadi media institute released a video depicting the activities of the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan. Following are a number frames from the video:<sup>19</sup>

<sup>18</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?p=386998>

<sup>19</sup> <http://majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=5773>

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- Jihadi forums published the 51<sup>st</sup> edition of the "Al-Somood" magazine. The 56-page edition examines the position of the "Islamic Emirates in Afghanistan" in light of the harm caused to civilians, as well as other issues. This issue reveals that the Islamic Emirate in Afghanistan vehemently protests the U.N.'s accusations and aspersions that the Taliban plays a significant role in the attacking of citizens and causing of fatalities. According to the Emirate this is part of a demonic propaganda campaign against the Taliban movement, led by the United States and its partners, to take away its popular support base. According to them, the U.S. itself is the main culprit in causing the deaths of Afghan citizens due to its heavy bombings over population centers in Afghanistan. Furthermore, the Emirate asks the media

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to present a more true and balanced picture of the reality to the public, and not to be deceived by the United States' false propaganda campaign.

The magazine also contains an interview with Fadl Ahmad bin Abd Al-Samad, Deputy Director for Jihadi Affairs in Badkhashan in north-east Afghanistan. The interview covers the withdrawal of the Dutch from Afghanistan, Ramadan, and other issues.<sup>20</sup>

In the interview, Al-Samad discusses the assistance received by the Taliban in Badkhashan. He says that there are problems with regards to manpower and the transportation of arms due to the bad access roads to the region. He claims that the Mujahideen have carried out 28 attacks in the region, killing 25 Germans and 35 collaborators, and destroying five tanks and vehicles. According to him, the local residents are closely watching the activities of the charitable institutions in the region, to prevent Christian organizations from carrying out evangelical activities under the guise of charity.

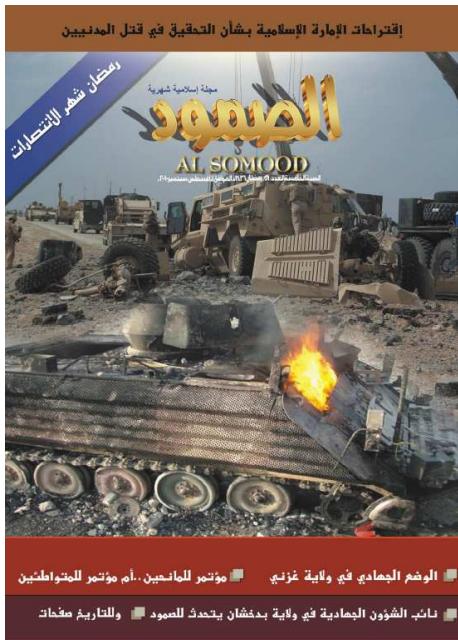
After four years in Afghanistan, Dutch forces withdrew on August 1<sup>st</sup> 2010. According to the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan, apparently based on official Dutch sources, 24 Dutch soldiers were killed by the Afghan Mujahideen and 140 others were injured during this time. Apart from the loss of lives, the cost to the Netherlands was 104 billion Euros – a fact which brought down the presiding government last February. According to the Emirate, all of these factors were behind the Netherlands' decision to withdraw its forces from Afghanistan. The Emirate further states that the Afghan population has sustained ten times more loss of lives and property at the hands of the Dutch forces, but that the most significant loss was the United States'. The Emirate wants the withdrawal of 49 more foreign forces – members of the Crusading

<sup>20</sup> <http://almadad1.com/vb/showthread.php?p=2141>

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Coalition who are operating in Afghanistan. According to the Emirate, Britain is now also demonstrating signs of withdrawal from Afghanistan.



- Edition no. 23 of the "Al-Waqi'" Jihadi Magazine includes a collection of reports on the various Jihadi arenas and crucial international issues. For example, the current edition reports on Ayman Al-Zawahiri's call on Turkey to boycott Israel, the threat made by Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb to take revenge on France, and other issues.<sup>21</sup>

<sup>21</sup> <http://www.atahadi.com/vb/showthread.php?t=26285>

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## Reports from the Field

### Afghanistan-Pakistan

- The Taliban organization in Pakistan claimed responsibility for the series of suicide attacks perpetrated on September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2010 against Shiites in Lahore in the east of Pakistan, killing 35 people and wounding 250. In response to the attacks, Pakistani aircraft attacked the organization's bases and killed 45 armed individuals. A wave of attacks in Pakistan since 2007, mainly perpetrated by the Taliban, has killed 3,600 people.<sup>22</sup>

On September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010, the Taliban in Pakistan carried out another suicide attack against the Shiites, killing 54 and wounding 160. The attack was carried out during a Shiite procession to mark "Jerusalem Day". According to the organization, the attack was in revenge for the killing of Sunni clerics by the Shiites. In addition, the organization threatened attacks in the United States and Europe.<sup>23</sup>

- Taliban insurgents attacked two NATO bases in the Khost region. NATO forces repelled the attack and killed at least 10 insurgents.<sup>24</sup>

### Iraq

- Fears for the stability of security in Iraq following the withdrawal of the American fighting forces. The Iraqi government has warned that there are indications that Al-Qaeda and the remains of the Ba'ath army, along with outside assistance, are planning to carry out a series of attacks against establishment targets in Baghdad and various regions of the country. "The Islamic State of Iraq" published an opinion paper in which it claimed responsibility for a series of attacks on security bases in 10 Iraqi cities. More

<sup>22</sup> <http://www.aljazeera.net/NR/exeres/D8E1824A-D41F-4E85-B6AE-7C60478EF147.htm>

<sup>23</sup> <http://www.aljazeera.net/NR/exeres/345FBF9-2A84-475F-BABA-CC2C7997D1CB.htm>

<sup>24</sup> <http://www.aawsat.com/details.asp?section=4&article=584409&issueno=11597>

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than 50 people were killed and 300 were wounded as a result of the attacks.<sup>25</sup>

A senior Iraqi official stated that as part of an intelligence operation to reach those responsible for the attacks, Iraqi security forces had arrested most of the Al Qaeda leaders in the south of Baghdad.<sup>26</sup>

- The Propaganda Ministry of the "Islamic State of Iraq" published a number of reports in which the organization claimed responsibility for a series of attacks in Iraq during the month of Ramadan. The attacks were carried out against Shiites, as well as police stations, army bases, collaborators, etc.<sup>27</sup>

#### The Arabian Peninsula

- Al-Qaeda accepted responsibility for the attack which occurred on August 28<sup>th</sup> 2010, killing eight Yemeni soldiers. Eyewitnesses reported that unidentified individuals shot an RPG shell at a patrol in the Abyan region in south Yemen.<sup>28</sup>
- Following the increase in attacks against security and intelligence personnel in south Yemen, the Yemeni authorities arrested an Al-Qaeda insurgent in the Al-Bayda region on August 28<sup>th</sup> 2010. They claimed that he had escaped from the Abyan region following the violent conflicts there which caused the deaths of more than 20 soldiers and 18 armed men.<sup>29</sup>
- The Yemeni authorities captured nine Al-Qaeda insurgents in the Abyan region at the beginning of September 2010. A security source in the Yemeni Interior Ministry claimed that Al-Qaeda had recently tied itself to the "Al-

<sup>25</sup> <http://aawsat.com/details.asp?section=4&issueno=11597&article=584398&feature=>  
<sup>26</sup> <http://www.aawsat.com/details.asp?section=4&article=584601&issueno=11598>

<sup>27</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?p=387883>

<sup>28</sup> <http://www.aawsat.com/details.asp?section=4&article=584409&issueno=11597>

<sup>29</sup> <http://www.aawsat.com/details.asp?section=4&issueno=11597&article=584418>

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Harak" movement in the south, an isolationist movement fighting against the Yemeni regime.<sup>30</sup>

- Following the fighting across Yemen between the Yemeni Army and Al-Qaeda activists, Anwar Al-Awlaki, the Yemeni religious cleric who serves as one of Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula's spiritual leaders, declared that the battle against the United States will continue down to the organization's last fighter. In addition, Al-Awlaki attacked the Yemeni government for collaborating with the Americans. Al-Awlaki threatened the United States and its allies with retaliatory attacks for the deaths of Al-Qaeda fighters in Yemen.<sup>31</sup>

### The Maghreb

- On September 1<sup>st</sup> 2010, Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb claimed responsibility for the attack against a military base in east Mauritania which was carried out at the end of August 2010. In a position paper published by the "Al-Andalus" Media Institute, which operates on the organization's behalf, the group said that the attack was in retaliation for the attack carried out by the Mauritanian army together with the French forces. It also stated that the perpetrator drove a 4x4 vehicle carrying more than 1.2 tons of explosives.<sup>32</sup>

<sup>30</sup> <http://www.aawsat.com/details.asp?section=4&article=585268&issueno=11603>

<sup>31</sup> [http://www.moheet.com/show\\_files.aspx?fid=407677](http://www.moheet.com/show_files.aspx?fid=407677)

<sup>32</sup> <http://www.aljazeera.net/NR/exeres/FA9C6DCE-A5D0-4CA8-944B-F3586E2BEF37.htm>

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The suicide bomber, Abu Ishaq Al-Shanqiti<sup>33</sup>

- Two soldiers were killed in a suicide car bomb attack on a military convoy in Algeria. The "Salafist Group for Preaching and Combat", which is part of Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb, claimed responsibility for the attack and stated that it was in revenge for the death of the Amir of the central region of Algeria, Abd Al-Mu'min Rashid (aka Abu Yunus Khudhaifa Al-'Asemi).<sup>34</sup>
- An additional interesting development was seen in Algeria, when two former Amirs, Abu Jandal and Abu Hilal, surrendered to the security forces. Abu Jandal (aka Awkad Atiya), the Amir of the "Al-Faruq" battalion, gave himself up to the security forces less than one month after four other leaders from the Salafist Group for Preaching and Combat had surrendered to the authorities.<sup>35</sup>
- The "Hanein" Jihadi forum reported that the Libyan authorities released 37 prisoners, including Osama bin Laden's former driver who was detained in Guantanamo and extradited to Libya in 2007. All the prisoners are members of the "Libyan Islamic Fighting Group" (LIFG).<sup>36</sup> The group members were

<sup>33</sup> <http://www.hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=193805>

<sup>34</sup> <http://www.echoroukonline.com/ara/national/58856.html>

<sup>35</sup> <http://www.echoroukonline.com/ara/national/58778.html>

<sup>36</sup> <http://www.hanein.info/vb/showthread.php?t=193729>

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released after undergoing a de-radicalization program which has been run by the Libyan authorities since 2006.<sup>37</sup>

- The Gulf Times reported the arrest of seven Libyans by the Algerian authorities on suspicion of being members of Al Qaeda in the Maghreb.<sup>38</sup>

#### Al Sham Region

- Jama'at Al-Tawhid wal-Jihad, a Palestinian Jihadi-Salafi group, published a report: "An announcement to the nation about the crimes of the government in Gaza". In the report the group accuses the Hamas government of continuing to repress the Salafis in the Gaza Strip by arresting them, and destroying their property etc.<sup>39</sup>

#### Africa

- The "Al-Shabab Al-Mujahideen" movement declared a Jihadi campaign to terminate the presence of foreign forces in Mogadishu. All the Mujahideen forces from the whole region will participate in the campaign, and they will use weapons not previously used.<sup>40</sup>
- On August 30<sup>th</sup> 2010, the President of Somalia, Sheikh Sharif, called upon the international community to help his country and save it from the danger of Al-Qaeda. He stated that Somalia is facing the same threat as the governments of Iraq, Yemen and Afghanistan. He warned that if the international community does not grant urgent aid to his government, his country could

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<sup>37</sup> See:

[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG\\_De\\_Radicalization\\_LIFG.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG_De_Radicalization_LIFG.pdf)

<sup>38</sup> [http://www.gulf-times.com/site/topics/article.asp?cu\\_no=2&item\\_no=383257&version=1&template\\_id=37&parent\\_id=17](http://www.gulf-times.com/site/topics/article.asp?cu_no=2&item_no=383257&version=1&template_id=37&parent_id=17)

<sup>39</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=69641>

<sup>40</sup> <http://al-jahafal.com/vb/showthread.php?t=12829>

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become a safe-haven for Al-Qaeda. These statements come against the backdrop of continuous fighting in Mogadishu between the government forces supported by the peacekeeping troops of the African Union, and the fighters of "Al-Shabab Al Mujahideen". The military spokesman of Al-Shabab, Abd Al Aziz Abu Musab, declared that the Jihadi fighters had killed 12 soldiers from the African Union forces.<sup>41</sup>

The West and the rest of the world

- With regards to the public upheaval in the United States in connection to the initiative to build a mosque near "Ground Zero", it is interesting to note that the Jihadi forums do not take part in this discourse. The leading Jihadi forums do not mention this at all, do not take a stand and do not venture an opinion. It is apparent that the prominent forums, as well as leaders of the various Jihad organizations, choose, for now, to "sit on the fence", while awaiting further developments and resolutions on the subject.
- Canadian police arrested four men on suspicion of planning a terror attack. A Canadian government source revealed that the members of the cell "are not Al-Qaeda activists, but they share the same ideology and outlook". The source added that the members of the cell are Canadian citizens, who adopted the extremist ideology whilst in Canada.<sup>42</sup>
- The Jihadi forums published an announcement regarding the death of the Amir of the Islamic Movement in Uzbekistan, Tahir Yuldashev. He was apparently killed a year ago in an American attack close to the Pakistan-Afghanistan border. It would appear that his death was kept secret because

<sup>41</sup> <http://www.aawsat.com/details.asp?section=4&article=584736&issueno=11599>,  
<http://majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=6047>

<sup>42</sup> <http://www.aawsat.com/details.asp?section=4&article=584409&issueno=11597>

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the movement's fighters were occupied with their continuing war against the "enemies of Islam" in Afghanistan and Pakistan.<sup>43</sup> The new Amir of the movement, Usmon Odil, also referred to Yuldashev's death, and noted that he was killed after Friday prayers in the southern city of Waziristan.<sup>44</sup>



**The former Amir of the Islamic Movement in Uzbekistan**



**The new Amir of the movement**

- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum reported on the battles between the fighters of the "Islamic Emirate of the Caucasus" and the Chechen Forces.<sup>45</sup>

<sup>43</sup> [http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_August\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG_Periodical_Review_August_2010_No_2.pdf), page 21; <http://furqon.com/Shahidforuq/marsiya.html>, <http://almadad1.com/vb/showthread.php?p=2094>

<sup>44</sup> <http://www.furqon.com/Shahidforuq/Usmonodil-08.2010.html>

<sup>45</sup> <http://majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=6045>

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- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum published a fatwa by Sheikh Abu Basir Al-Tartusi, encouraging the Mujahideen in the Islamic Emirate of the Caucasus.

## General Reports

- A surfer on the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum published an article written by the Yemeni religious cleric, Anwar Al-Awlaki, titled "44 ways to support the Mujahideen". The proposed ways include: donations, assistance with explanations, encouraging Muslims to join the fighting, aid to the families of Mujahideen, and issuing religious rulings in favor of Jihad.<sup>46</sup>

## Miscellaneous

- One of the supervisors of the "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum asks surfers to collect material relating to the seven prominent Salafi sheikhs: Sheikh Abdullah Azzam, Sheikh Abu Musab Al-Suri, Sheikh Abu Muhammad Al-Maqdisi, Sheikh Abu Assem Al-Hadushi<sup>47</sup>, Sheikh Abu Muhammad Al-Fazzazi<sup>48</sup> and Sheikh Abu Qatada Al-Filastini. The material will later be published as an anthology which can then be downloaded by surfers. The supervisor stated that these anthologies would be dedicated to the former Amir of the Islamic State of Iraq, Abu Omar Al-Baghdadi, who was killed in April 2010. The supervisor stated that the period allocated for this task would be one month.<sup>49</sup>

<sup>46</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=69282>

<sup>47</sup> A Moroccan sheikh incarcerated in Morocco

<sup>48</sup> One of the prominent Salafi Jihadi sheiks in Morocco incarcerated in Morocco after he was sentenced to 30 years in prison. He is an ardent bin Laden supporter and is credited with involvement in the subway attacks in Madrid

<sup>49</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=69475>

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- The Global Islamic Media Front Jihadi Media Institute published an announcement to the Jihadi forums surfers under the heading, "We welcome your suggestions and opinions via the Media Front's email". Hereunder is the content of the announcement, which was published in both English and in Arabic:

"We inform the brothers members that the messaging option via the GIMF (Global Islamic Media Front) ID is suspended and you can now contact us by sending your messages to the special correspondence's ID defined as:<sup>50</sup>

The Propaganda Front – Ministry of Relations, and through Shumukh Al-Islam Forum and Ansar Al-Mujahideen Network.

We also point out that the data issued by the Global Islamic Media Front is only on Shumukh Al-Islam Forum and Ansar Al-Mujahideen Network.

Messaging through forums [by clicking on the Forum's name]

Shumukh Al-Islam Forum

Ansar Al-Mujahideen Network

Or via the Front's E-mail

<http://gimfmail.blogspot.com>

Messaging E-mail:

You can send us your contributions and suggestions and all what you see that it's appropriate for publication via the Media Front.

Notes:

- Use a proxy tool when you contact us if possible.
- Don't mention any information which identify the sender, such as name, phone number and place of residence and so on.

<sup>50</sup> <http://as-ansar.com/vb/showthread.php?t=27147>

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- Use the front's public key in the case of encrypted messages by using the program : "ASRAR El Moujahedeen V2.0".
- To send your message select "Anonymous" from the comment's list by name."
- A member of the Ansar Al-Mujahideen English forum posted a letter titled "Words of advice to the brethren leaving for Jihad". The letter discusses issues such as sincerity of intention, repentance, patience and piety.<sup>51</sup>
- The "Shumukh Al-Islam" Jihadi forum informs its surfers that it has opened a special column dedicated to women and the Muslim family.<sup>52</sup>
- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum published a post titled "How to become a member of Al-Qaeda".<sup>53</sup> It should be noted that this correspondence was originally published two years ago.<sup>54</sup>
- The "Shabakat Al-Mujahideen Al-Electroniya" (Al-Mojahden Electronic Network) Jihadi forum reported that the forum's Facebook accounts have been removed.<sup>55</sup>

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<sup>51</sup> <http://www.ansar1.info/showthread.php?t=12418>

<sup>52</sup> <http://www.shamikh1.net/vb/showthread.php?t=69702>

<sup>53</sup> <http://majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=5823>

<sup>54</sup> See: [http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG\\_Al-Qaeda\\_Member.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG_Al-Qaeda_Member.pdf)

<sup>55</sup> <http://majahden.com/vb/showthread.php?t=5838>. See:  
[http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG\\_Periodical\\_Review\\_August\\_2010\\_No\\_2.pdf](http://www.ict.org.il/Portals/0/Internet%20Monitoring%20Group/JWMG_Periodical_Review_August_2010_No_2.pdf), page 26.