

Press Release

The Assassination of Mohamed Zouari ... Represents a Bitter Truth and a Lesson for those who consider

(Translated)

Once again, the intelligence agencies of the Jewish entity have violated the Tunisian land and extended their sinful and treacherous hand to assassinate the aeronautical engineer Mohamed Zouari, one of the leaders of the martyr Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades. The engineer, Mohamed Zouari was a hero from amongst the heroes of the Muslims who participated alongside the Mujahideen in Palestine in their Jihad against the criminal Jewish entity (when the rulers of the Muslims and armies abandoned them). That was when he was responsible for supervising a development programme of drone planes that struck fear into the hearts of the criminal Jews.

Indeed, the heart cleaves in grief and sadness upon the Islamic Ummah losing a hero from amongst its heroes and a scientist from amongst its scientists who put their work and efforts at the disposal of their Deen and Ummah for the sake of cleansing its blessed land from the defilement of the Jewish entity. And we ask Allah 'Azza Wa Jalla to bestow patience upon the martyr's family and to settle the brother Muhamed Zouari in His Gardens of Paradise which have been promised to the Muttaqeen.

Upon the occurrence of this incident we would like to make the following clear:

1. The crime of the assassination of engineer Mohamed Zouari has come amongst a string of assassinations of Muslim scientists and academics in Iraq, Syria and Pakistan ... These assassinations have represented a treacherous and cowardly policy of the United States of America which has been utilised by the CIA and the Jewish entity's intelligence agency, known as Mossad. This is also not the first time that the dirty hands of the Jews have extended to assassinate the sons of Muslims from amongst the scientists and resistance amongst others and it is not the first time that the Mossad has defiled the land of Tunisia. It has not ceased killing Muslims in Palestine and assassinating any Muslim that it sees has power that could be used to fight against it. That is whilst many of the Jewish leaders, who travel around the Arab lands, including Tunisia, coming and going, secretly and openly, call to war against the Muslims and killing them by any means.

2. The statement of the Prime Minister came in a meek, cold and timid manner when he said: "We will never allow aggression against our citizens" and "The National sovereignty is a red line". That is whilst the intelligence agencies of the Jews have trampled upon the ground of Tunisia and have made use of some of the sons of Tunisia (with or without their knowledge) to commit an act of treachery against one their heroes. Despite that the government did not dare to make even a mention of Mossad (let alone direct an accusation against it). The Interior Minister found it enough in his long speech about the details of the crime to just say that the plotters were foreigners (and that's all)!!! That's despite the Tunisian press reporting the 'proud'

elaboration by the Jewish entity's press of the assassination of the engineer Mohamed Zouari. It was mentioned in the Tunisian Shurooq Newspaper that: "The military expert for the Haaretz Newspaper Maos Harael described Zouari as the engineer of planes belonging to Hamas. He said that he had recently been included within a long assassination list around the Middle-East attributed to the Jewish state. As for the security expert for the Maariv Newspaper, Yossi Milman, he discussed the fall in the professionalism and precision of the assassination operation, in the case where it differed from the (previous) Mossad operations and particularly those which targeted scientists of the Iranian nuclear project in Tehran, leaders of Hezbollah in Lebanon and the assassination of Mahmoud Al-Mabhuh in Dubai. All of these open admissions were not seen by the Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister (who is meeting in Cairo with other Arab foreign ministers) and the Interior Minister. They all colluded upon the statement that the crime was plotted outside of Tunisia. This represented a clear evasion to avoid directing the accusation against the Jewish entity. So why is that the case? Is it incompetence or fear of disturbing the feelings of the 'Jewish' friends of the government like the Jewish Rabbi Rafael Cohen, those who the ministers of the government receive into their embrace???

3. This is their habit and that of their media mouthpieces as it is their custom to cover up the truths and realities and to portray defeats as victories, and shameful disgrace as a source of pride. The Jewish state sheds the blood and assassinates Muslims whilst the Interior Minister boasts in the media about the disclosing of some realities. He transforms the news in a laughable sad manner to focusing, with some boastfulness, upon the level of professionalism in respect to disclosing some of the circumstances of the crime, in addition to a lot of talk about "national sovereignty" and its red lines (whilst it appears that their redness does not come from anything other than the blood of our sons).

4. A matter that is almost certain that this crime will never have much politics as a result of it and that the collection of politicians and rulers will suffice themselves with condemning the cowardly operation. As for war or a like for like response against the usurping criminal Jewish entity, then those pretending to be rulers have forgotten its meaning and it doesn't even come to their minds. That is because our lives and even as a whole do not carry any weight to them ... So where is the sovereignty (that you are talking about)??

O Muslims in the land of 'Uqbah Bin Naafi' and Tariq Bin Ziyad, the land of the Mujahideen and heroes:

These are the rulers that you have after the revolution, weak, incompetent and pawned to others. What kind of state is this that can't even protect its sons? And what kind of state is this that squanders the strengths and capabilities of its men? Was not the martyr Mohamed Zouari a manufacturer of drone aircraft? Was he not the supervisor over a programme of military development that robbed the sleep of the Jewish entity and made fear enter its heart? So why did this government not may any regard or attention to him? Why did it fall down prostrate before the American doorstep with claims that it is "helping us" (As Beji Caid Essebsi pretends) to train our soldiers and officers in respect to drone aircraft? Was the engineer Mohamed Zouari not more worthy and suitable to train our soldiers and to prevent being held to ransom by America? Was not Mohamed Zouari more worthy than many of those playing around with the matter of protection? If we had a state, engineer Mohamed Zouari (and those like him are many) and the association that he set up, would have represented a nucleus within our army established for war manufacturing that would act as a base for liberation from the colonialist states which make from the insulting crumbs of "aid" provided to us under the pretext of the war against "terrorism"?

O Muslims in the land of 'Uqbah Bin Naafi' and Tariq Bin Ziyad, the land of the Mujahideen and heroes:

We are need of a state that is mighty and has preventive force, to honour our sons, that does not degrade them but rather protects them, does not surrender them and if something bad afflicts them, it becomes startled for them and takes revenge against their enemies.

Engineer Mohamed Zouari has departed from us as a Shaheed (martyr) by Allah's permission (and we do not seek to make anyone out to be pure before Allah). He was a hero Mujaahid who refused to bow to oppression and corruption. He worked and used his knowledge for his Ummah and his Deen, so may Allah recompense him with a lot of good on our behalf. Indeed, there are men in our land like Mohamed (may Allah's mercy be upon him) who will never be taken note of until the honour and dignity returns back to this Ummah.

Verily, the blood of the martyrs cries out to us to change our sad and shameful reality, for us to cast aside the dust of incapability or incompetence and to engage in the obligation that Allah Ta'Aalaa has made obligatory upon us.

The obligation upon us is to change this state and that this change is not allowed to be restricted to the changing of people who assume the position of ruling alone. Rather, it must extend to the whole regime (and system) as it represents the head of the calamity. That is because it is built upon a corrupt basis where the right to legislate laws has been given to man and not Allah Jalla Wa 'Alaa. It is a system that does not allow the rule to be reached except by those implementers who have been lavished with corrupt political money and who have given their loyalty to the western colonialist states. That is so that they can perpetrate treacheries, be careless with the land's capabilities and resources and to permit the enemy to penetrate the land, spy upon it and undertake criminal acts, which they then turn a blind eye to using the excuse of incapability and lack of power. Any indifference or neglect in respect to these ruling regimes and those pretending to be rulers, and any silence over them or participation alongside them, means making the corruption continue perpetually and the allowance and ignoring of the incompetence and treachery that has led to the calamities and consolidated the position of the disbeliever over the land and its people.

This obligation has been entrusted to all of the Muslims of this good land (the birthplace of men and heroes) and particularly the people of power as they are the most capable to bring the change. We call them to stand in the same row alongside their people and with their Deen, to respond to Allah and His Messenger (saw), to support the Da'wah of Allah Ta'Aalaa for the establishment of Islam via the establishment of the rightly guided Khilafah upon the methodology of the Prophethood, which Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'Aalaa has commanded us with:

﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَّهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ وَاعْلَمُوا أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَحُولُ بَيْنَ الْمَرْءِ وَقَلْبِهِ وَأَنَّهُ إِلَيْهِ تُحْشَرُونَ﴾

“O you who have believed, respond to Allah and to the Messenger when he calls you to that which gives you life. And know that Allah intervenes between a man and his heart and that to Him you will be gathered.” [Al-Anfaal: 24]

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