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## **Press Release**

## Why is Rafah Being Bombed and Besieged by the Egyptian Regime?!

(Translated)

In a live broadcast on Al Jazeera Channel on Monday morning, February 12, 2024, the spokesman for the Ministry of Health, Ashraf al-Qudra, spoke to Al Jazeera describing the destruction that occurred in Rafah and the homes that were bombed, which were populated by residents and displaced people. This is an example that illustrates the scale of the disaster that could occur if Rafah were invaded by the occupying army. According to international reports, there are more than 1.4 million displaced people in Rafah, which means that any ground operation would result in thousands of martyrs. Then, the director of the Kuwaiti hospital in Rafah spoke about the serious injuries they received, which they cannot handle, and they are all isolated civilians, including children, women, and elderly people, in addition to more than 67 martyrs. He emphasized the scarcity of resources and that aid has been halted from entering Rafah since Thursday, February 8, 2024, which is five days ago, confirming that the people of Palestine are dying of hunger, cold, fear, epidemics, and shortages of medicine.

What is happening now in Rafah, just a stone's throw from the border with Egypt, is alarming. This border city receives aid and other support through Egypt. The timing of these events, coinciding with the presence of an American envoy in the region and a deal sponsored by America to exchange prisoners, suggests an attempt to pressure the militants inside to accept it, submit to it, and lower their demands to align with it. This may be what the head of Egyptian intelligence hinted at in his warning and demand for them to accept the prisoner exchange deal within two weeks. Hence, the tightening siege and bombardment are aimed at forcing them to reduce their demands to what the Israelis accept, and to achieve a moral victory they seek or perhaps to satisfy their thirst with the blood of our people in the Holy Land.

What is happening to our people in the blessed land is a complete crime, involving the international community that supports the Jewish entity and the rulers of our countries who are the real guardians of this entity. They provide it with all the means of life and hinder the Ummah and its armies from uprooting it with their bare hands. This entity does not possess the qualifications to withstand the great Islamic Ummah. What if its armies were liberated from the shackles of evil rulers and moved to liberate it? All our armies aspire to this and wish for it without exception, especially highlighting the Kinana army as the closest, most capable, and most deserving of this. We know the simmering anger in the souls, restrained by the system.

O Soldiers of Kinana: The justified anger brewing within you must be a mighty fire that consumes those who violate the lands of Islam, desecrate holy sites, and violate sanctities. It must engulf all Western conspiracies against the Ummah and its attempts to settle its issues by establishing its colonial projects in our countries, primarily through the

existence of the Jewish entity, which is treated as an advanced military base for the West in our lands. This fire should preempt any changes that may lead to the establishment of a unified Ummah and the restoration of its sovereignty and state anew. It must burn anyone who stands between the Ummah and the liberation of its sanctities and the restoration of its sovereignty from the tyrannical rulers, the agents of the West in our countries, and all those who aid them, including their elites and conspirators. This is your duty, O soldiers of Kinana, and the result of your suppressed anger should be the overthrow of the Western regime that governs your countries and shames them, and the heralding of your support for the sincere working Shabab of Hizb ut Tahrir, who are dedicated to the reestablishment of Islam under the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood. Through you, a state shall arise that restores the dignity and honor of the Ummah, mobilizes its armies to support the people of the blessed land and other Muslim countries, and all the oppressed in the world. This is the duty of the Ummah and the task of its armies: to carry Islam and its justice to the world as a message of guidance and light. May Allah make you the bearers of this message and its people.

O Soldiers of Kinana: Your duty is not to pressure the people of Gaza and the fighters among them to accept Western settlements and deals with the collaborators. Do not become a tool in their hands to advance their projects and besiege your people in the blessed land, forcing them to accept poisoned deals and doomed settlements, where the blood of martyrs is sold cheaply at the bargaining tables of the traitors and agents. Know that your duty, and the duty of the entire Ummah, is the complete liberation of Palestine and the support of the oppressed, lifting oppression from them. Palestine is a land belonging to the entire Ummah, and it is incumbent upon the Ummah, especially its armies, and particularly the countries surrounding it, led by the army of Kinana, to liberate it. Where are you from this duty? Do you not wish to reclaim the honor that the Messenger of Allah (saw) described you with? Do you not desire the honor of supporting and triumphing for this Deen and its people?!

O Soldiers of Kinana, O best of soldiers: True nobility dictates that you be a shield for this Ummah, carrying its banner. So, look at which banner you carry and under whose leadership you fight, so that you may know whether nobility resides within you or not. To reclaim this nobility, you must cast off the shackles of tyrannical rulers from your necks, severing all ties that bind you to them, and connect your bonds with the sincere workers striving to implement Islam and support it. Empower them to resume Islamic life anew through the Islamic state the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood. It is a state that restores the sovereignty of the Ummah, mobilizes its armies for war against its enemies, reclaims its land and sanctities, and supports the oppressed across the globe. We ask Allah to make you its soldiers and supporters. Amen, O Allah.

"O you who have believed, respond to Allah and to the Messenger when he calls you to that which gives you life." [Al-Anfal: 24]

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