Documents Show Israeli Hand in Phony Al-Qaeda, Hezbollah, and Hamas

This document was provided to EIR following three press conferences given by Col. Rashid Abu Shbak, head of the Palestinian Preventive Security agency in the Gaza Strip, on Dec. 6, 8, and 10. As reported in last week (EIR, Dec. 20, "Mossad Exposed in Phony 'Palestinian Al-Qaeda' Caper,") Colonel Shbak released extensive documents to the press and to the ambassadors and consuls of foreign governments, that detail the efforts of the Israeli intelligence services to create al-Qaeda cells to claim credit for staged terrorist incidents, and thereby to justify Israeli revenge. At a Dec. 10 press conference in Gaza, the Palestinian Preventive Security agency presented "Ibrahim," the man whom the Mossad had tried to use as the recruiter to its fake al-Qaeda cell.

The document below was prepared in English, and is a summary of evidence the Palestinian security services possess. Colonel Shbak had stated at the press conferences that the telephone numbers and bank account numbers used in recruiting the claimed "Palestinian al-Qaeda" cell had been traced to Israeli intelligence.

Despite the lack of significant international press coverage of this explosive evidence, aside from this news service, it is in the hands of governments, including that of the United States. In publishing this document, we repeat our question of last week: "Do these governments have the moral fiber to investigate?"

"A Secret Document That Reveals The Involvement Of Israel Intelligence Service In Forming Cells That Work For Each Of: Al Qaeda, Hezbollah, Islamic Jihad And Hamas In The Gaza Strip."

Introduction: Following the statements of the Israeli Prime Minister, Ariel Sharon, on Dec. 5th 2002, in which he claimed that members of Al-Qaeda are present in the Gaza Strip and Lebanon, the head of the Palestinian Preventive Security made the decision to reveal the Israeli involvement in forming these cells, after keeping this subject as a secret for a couple of months. . . .

In this document, we will present some cases in which the Israeli intelligence service supervised the recruitment of cells inside Gaza in an effort to "afghanize" the Palestinian territories as a pretext to launch a large-scale war against the Palestinian people after stigmatizing them with terrorism.

Case One: Al-Qaeda Organization

By the beginning of the year 2002, a person called

"Yousef" made a phone call to the Palestinian citizen "B.B" from the phone number 0096277670253. In this call, Yousef asked "B.B" to keep going to pray in the mosque, and to rent a house and purchase a fax machine and to call the number: 055971295. Yousef had made money transfers to the mentioned person as well as sending him "Orange" mobile phone card "vouchers" and informed him that he intends to work with him after they both join the Al-Qaeda organization led by the Sheikh Osama Bin Laden, which aims towards:

- Supporting the Intifada and guaranteeing its acceleration:
- Providing money and weapons to the fighters-muja-hideen;
- Training the fighters-mujahideen to prepare explosives of different kinds;
- Recruiting different nets to work for Al-Qaeda to guarantee the shape of the battle as being Islamic and universal

"Yousef" then asked the Palestinian citizen to supply him with names of active and religious members to recruit them for Al-Qaeda. "Yousef" also asked the Palestinian citizen to inform him of a way they can use to bring weapons to the Gaza Strip from Israel. He told him that these weapons are kept with people who work with Al-Qaeda from the Palestinians inside the 1948 lands, i.e., Israeli Arabs. The mentioned person kept contacting "B.B" following the same mentioned goals.

Case Two: Hezbollah

In March 2002, an anonymous person called "Abu Al-Hassan," claiming that he is a Hezbollah member from South Lebanon, made a phone call to a Palestinian citizen "M.SH," from a phone with an international number in Germany, and told him that he intends to support one of the Palestinian groups that belongs to Fatah movement. The caller asked "M.SH" to send a fax telling him the needs of the organization. "Abu Al-Hassan" then informed the Palestinian citizen about the person called "Abu Al-Abed," who carries a mobile phone number 050704768. The person called "Abu Al-Abed" had informed the Palestinian citizen of drop points to hand in the weapons and ammunition and explosives in points that were close to Israeli locations in the south and middle of the Gaza Strip. At that point "M.SH" decided to stop all communication with these suspected parties.

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Case Three: Al Qaeda Organization

In mid-February 2002, a phone call was made from the number 009618340379, and Jihad Al-Amareen who was later assassinated by Israel, was asked to open a communication line with that person who claimed he was speaking on behalf of the Al-Qaeda organization.

In one of these cases, the Israeli Al-Qaeda agents had provided a number of items of weaponry that was handed in Gaza to Jihad Al-Amareen. It was agreed that Jihad Al-Amareen will recruit cells that will work for Al-Qaeda and to nominate people to be sent abroad to be trained on kidnapping and murdering on a large scale. After Jihad Al-Amareen was assassinated, the same person called one of the people who were close to Al-Amareen and asked him to identify the deputy of Al-Amareen to work and cooperate with.

Case Four: The Islamic Jihad

On July 12, 2001, an anonymous person made a phone call from mobile phone number: 055318484, and asked the Palestinian citizen "M.KH" to go to Al-Huda mosque in Khan Younis city, where he would find a letter behind a toilet cabin in the mosque toilets. "M.KH" went to the agreed point where he found a letter offering him to join one of the Palestinian organizations, and [offering] to train him on how to use mortars and explosives.

The Israeli intelligence service agent "Abu Jamal" called the Palestinian citizen again and informed him about a place in Khan Younis where he will obtain an amount of money to buy a mobile phone, and, in addition 50 meters long electrical wire, and small batteries to prepare for work. "Abu Jamal" then called the Palestinian citizen for the third time and asked him to go to the toilets of the Rafah service club to purchase some material connected to explosives.

On July 21, 2001, "Abu Jamal" asked "M.KH" to go to the road next to the European hospital where he was guided through the mobile phone to a place where he found the following: a Kalashnikov rifle, a hand grenade, ammunition, and a letter saying: "This is a gift from your brother in the service to protect you." He then sent him some money that "M.KH" put behind one of the windows of the building that contains the Fatah movement office, in front of the Khan Younis garage, next to the Al-Quds girls school.

"Abu Jamal" then sent the sum of 1400 Jordanian Dinars to the Palestinian citizen to buy a gun. In one of the cases, "Abu Jamal" sent the Palestinian citizen a large explosive, who ["M.KH"] in turn, informed one of his friends of his own fears and doubts about that explosive. Another friend had it exploded in an empty place.

Case Five:

This case is about a person who works for the Israeli intelligence services who claimed he was called "Abu Suhaib," and who had contacted a Palestinian citizen called "A.M." ["Abu Suhaib"] had provided him with money starting with drop points, and then through money transfers to a bank account at one of the Palestinian banks. . . . The sum of the money received was approximately \$7500. "Abu Suhaib" then asked "A.M." to provide him with information about the activities of one of the Palestinian organizations, and to also report about all the events, in addition to recruiting members to work the military apparatus.

In this case, Abu Suhaib called "A.M." and told him that the Preventive Security Service is now aware of their relation and communications, and asked him to tell the Preventive Security if they arrest him that it was a contact from Saudi Arabia and also to hide the fax machine he was using in their communications.

Case Six:

The Israeli intelligence service had recruited the collaborator "M.N." and asked him to join Hezbollah and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP)-General Command in Lebanon. There "M.N.," guided by the Israeli intelligence service would meet a person called "Abu Samah" in Syria, where "Abu Samah" took him to meet "Jihad Jebril."

When he returned to Gaza, the Palestinian citizen was ordered by the Israeli Shabak officers to establish contacts with activists of Al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, and informed some of them that he works for Hezbollah. He then asked some of them to join him in Hezbollah to carry out largescale bombing and suicide bombings.

Case Seven:

A contact had taken place between a person who claimed to carry the name of "Abu Omar," and the Palestinian citizen "R.M." from a phone that carries the number 009613868075. Omar had told him that he worked for Hamas in the past and that now he works for Al-Qaeda organization under the leadership of Sheikh Osama Bin Laden. He also told him that he wishes to support the Intifada and help accelerating its ongoing. He then sent him the sum of \$1000 to buy a computer and a fax machine. After a while, the Israeli Mossad agent "Abu Omar" called "R.M" from the phone number: 0096277970198, and asked him to nominate and recruit a number of Palestinians who wish to be martyrs. Some of the contact between the two was made through the Internet. Some other amounts of money were sent aiming towards collecting information and recruiting members for outside parties (definitely Israeli ones,) aiming towards destroying the stability in the Gaza Strip and creating general chaos.

Case Eight: Al-Qaeda Organization

A phone call was made between "Abu Omar" who claimed he was calling from Lebanon, and two Palestinian citizens: "A.S." and "H.S." "Abu Omar" asked both Palestinian citizens to travel to Turkey to be trained to use advanced weaponry, and to say that they were going on a business trip.

"Abu Omar" sent them money in different payments to cover their correspondences end expenses. The wire transfer would come from East Jerusalem from the name of Khaled Jabir—200 Jordanian Dinars. Then another bank transfer was made of the sum of 340 Jordanian Dinars from a person called Imad Younis from the city of Im El-Fahim. The first contact was made in mid-September and in the next contact, Abu Omar informed our citizens that he "works with the Sheikh Osama Bin Laden, and that they are planning to carry out large operations against the enemy. . . . " and he "Abu Omar" added "after we have destroyed the oil tanker "COLE" our enemies will tend to surround the organization but definitely we shall beat them." The contact took place through the Internet, on the following email address, which belongs to "Abu Omar": HYPERLINK "mailto Omar3500-@unicurn.de"

"Abu Omar" tried through our citizens, to enter weapons to the Gaza Strip, and to identify names of field activists.

Appendix: The Text Of The Letters Sent By Israeli Shabbak Using The Name Of Al-Qaeda Organization

Dear Brother:

After carrying out investigations about you, and after receiving the reports from the brothers in your region, telling us of your honest Islamic approach, and your willing[ness] to join the fighters-Mujahideen. Following all that, the Brothers had nominated you, and recommended your high enthusiasm for Islam, and your appreciation of Jihad and martyrdom. Therefore, we come to ask you to join the fighters-Mujahideen—and we will support you with money and weaponry. After receiving the attached letter, you must call us on the following number (. . .) and ask for brother (Abu Mujahid) and to identify yourself as "Abu Anas."

The contact must take place between 15:00 hrs and 17:00 hrs.

If for any reason—technical or other—you must call at the same time the next day. After reading the letter and understanding its contents, you must burn it, and keep all this as a secret and never tell anyone, even the people close to you, about its contents. "To help carry out your needs keep them unrevealed."

Your brother, the slave of god Osama Bin Laden Al-Qaeda organization

Summary

After showing these simple cases, we at the [Palestinian] Preventive Security indicate first of all that what is released in this document is true, accurate intelligence information, that we have informed some international parties of its details

to be witnesses of the Israeli government behavior in the occupied Palestinian territories.

But today [Dec. 6], and after the claims made by Ariel Sharon, the Israeli Prime Minister, that there are members of Al-Qaeda organization in the Gaza Strip, we indicate to the world that this organization, if it does exist and does have members in Gaza, then it is the making of Sharon and his intelligence services.

Hereby, we reveal this information to put you in the picture of the situation in order to make a stand on accepting political and ethical responsibilities, and to ruin the Israeli attempts to "afghanize" the Palestinian case.

We here indicate that the incitement campaign led by Sharon against the world's largest prison (the Gaza Strip), which suffers from severe poverty, sickness, and unemployment, may aim towards paving the way to new massacres in the Strip which might be committed as part of the Israeli elections campaign. This might be carried out through invasions and re-occupying the Gaza Strip after obtaining the international consensus to this large scale operation planned to be done in the Gaza Strip. This consensus might be obtained through convincing the international "world" that cells working for Al-Qaeda organization do exist in the Strip that must be uprooted.

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