

In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful



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Statement Regarding the Cases of Al-Raydah

All praise is due to God, who said in His Noble Book: {But no, by your Lord, they will not believe until they make you, [O Muhammad], judge concerning that over which they dispute among themselves and then find within themselves no discomfort from what you have judged and submit in [full, willing] submission.}

And peace and prayers be upon His Prophet, Muhammad, who said: “By God, if Fatimah, the daughter of Muhammad, were to steal, I would cut off her hand.”

As for what follows: On 28/Safar/1437 [10 December 2015] many complaints were raised to us, regarding the affairs of al-Raydah and the issues happening there, which in some people’s perspectives are grievances that have to be filed and solved. After the court received these complaints, it becomes clear that they are focused on 3 axes:

The first axis: The brothers complain about the lack of some necessary things, such as weapons, ammunition, drinking water, and some medical and food items.

The second axis: Some people complain about the treatment of brother Abu Salih and complain about his excessive injustice and harm to the brothers.

The third axis: The issue of the battle of Sir and Shbam and the military and field errors related to the battles.

God Almighty has enabled us to study and investigate these three axes, and the summary of the court’s findings based on Shari’ah evidence and current and written evidence, is the following:

First: With regard to the first axis, it has become clear to us beyond any doubt that this shortcoming was not due to negligence on the part of the responsible authorities and that the shortcoming in these matters resulted from one of the following reasons:

1- The inability of the officials to provide what is better than what is available, as they did their best and did not spare the brothers anything under their hands, as well as with regard to weapons and water.

2- The delay in the arrival of some of these items as a result of the responsible brothers’ preoccupation with arranging other matters, with their efforts to obtain these requirements and provide them to the brothers. This is with regards to the ammunition.

3- Officials have nothing to do with these requirements because they are not within their competence or that the defect is caused by other parties. The officials in al-Riyadah have nothing to do with that. This is what is related to medical materials and lack of compensations.

Note that a special verdict has been issued in relation to this axis, with details related to this case.

Second: With regard to the second axis, it has become clear to us, after investigation, that the brother Abu Salih was innocent of oppressing the brothers, holding them to what they could not

bear, or dealing with them in a humiliating treatment. This is because we asked most of the brothers who are currently in the valley and its surroundings one by one about these three matters. Their answer was all that brother Abu Salih did not ask them to do what is beyond their ability, nor did he deal with them in a humiliating manner or that he was unjust with them. As for the issue of injustice, there have been some complaints about it, and we will mention them with the names of those who submitted them, who came from the valley for grievances, as a matter of fairness and clarification:

- 1- The general issue that pertains to the brothers who are with Abu Ali al-Raydi, and we mentioned it in the first axis. We singled out an independent verdict for it. (It was pleaded by brothers Abu 'Amru al-'Adani, Radwan al-'Adani and Abu Shayma al-Muhajir).
- 2- Abul-Bara al-Ibbi and his complaint that the brother Abu Salih promised him to transfer him from the battalion, then he delayed it: it was mentioned in the previous verdict.
- 3- Abu Abdullah al-San'ani and Miqdad al-San'ani and their complaint that the brother Abu Salih did not allow them to visit their families, which caused their identity to be burned by security: It was mentioned in the previous verdict.
- 4- Ibrahim al-'Adani and his complaint that brother Abu Salih punished him for his intention: This is not true as was explained in the previous verdict.
- 5- Usayyid al-San'ani and his complaint that brother Abu Salih had taken stockpiles of weapons from him before the battle: This is not true as has been explained.

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- 6- Abu al-Hassanayn al-Hashimi and his complaint that brother Abu Salih withdrew the weapon that was handed over to him by the military: This is not a Shari'ah injustice, because the withdrawal of weapons is the right of the emir unless the weapon that is drawn up is a personal one, which should not be withdrawn except for a valid Shari'ah reason.
- 7- Abu Abdullah al-Baydani and his complaint is a question: His query has been clarified.
- 8- Radwan al-'Adani: A request to transfer to the wilayat Adan.
- 9- Qannas al-San'ani: his complaint against Abu Asim al-Makki.
- 10- Hakim: An inquiry and a case of private funds demanded by the wali.
- 11- 'Arwah Al-Hadrami and his complaint in the case of the battle.
- 12- Abu Al-Baraa al-'Adani and his complaint in the case of the battle.
- 13- Abu Hurayrah al-'Adani and his complaint in the case of the battle.
- 14- Abu Ahmed al-Haddi: Request for permission to visit.

What remained are brother Abu Muslim al-'Adani and brother Abu Usama al-Ibbi who did not have special complaints against brother Abu Salih.

This is the summary of the axis that relates to brother Abu Salih, and accordingly we absolve him of the accusations that are attributed to him arbitrarily and without knowledge or investigation. The complainants have nothing but the clumsy emotion that tends them with those who previously complained to them. And to these we say: Fear God, the Exalted, the Majestic, and do not talk of which you have no knowledge, and be certain before you speak.

And what we said above is only according to what has appeared to us, and God knows best the secrets. We only ruled based on what we knew, and we were not witnesses of the unseen.

Third: With regard to the third axis, the brothers who participated in the two battles were brought, thanks to God, and we heard from them all the mistakes on the military side (planning and execution), then we punished each of the following:

- 1- Brother Abu Salim al-‘Adani, the emir of the two battles, was punished with five lashes in front of the brothers to be more careful the next time, God willing.
- 2- Brother Nasir al-Lahji, the emir of the battle of Shbam, was punished with five lashes in front of the brothers, to be more careful the next time, God willing.
- 3- Brother ‘Arwah al-Hadrami, responsible for cutting off the supply in the battle of Sir, was punished with five lashes in front of the brothers, to be more careful the next time, God willing.

As for details of the military errors, we avoid mentioning them in order to ensure the confidentiality of the work. They will be presented to specialists in military affairs to study them and then consider their causes and how to treat them.

This is what appeared to us in this case. Right decisions were made all thanks to God alone, and any wrong was because of ourselves and Satan. God and His Messenger are innocent from anything wrong.

We warn the brothers that any public talk in this case after this statement will be considered by the court as incitement, igniting of troubles and lack of advice. So every brother should beware of becoming among the people of these qualities. He should fix himself with knowledge and good deeds. And we ask Almighty God to have mercy on our weakness and redress our brokenness, and to grant us guidance and piety, and to enable the Caliphate State, and to help us in what is in the goodness of Islam and Muslims. All praise be to God, Lord of the Worlds.

Decided by, Abu Muhammad Abdullah al-Kinani, may God straighten him

The head of the Grievances Committee

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