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May Allah protect us from evil. In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. All



praises be to Allah, the Cherisher and Sustainer of the world. May peace and praises of Allah be upon our master and prophet Muhammad (RIP) and his pure progeny, faithful followers, and all martyrs and combatants for Allah's teachings, since the birth of Adam until the Day of Judgment.

Dear brothers, sisters, and generous audience; may God's peace and blessing be upon you all.

God (be praised) says in his glorious book,

"In the Name of Allah, Most Merciful, Most Compassionate. They will do you no harm, barring a trifling annoyance; if they come out to fight you, they will show you their backs, and no help shall they get. Shame is pitched over them (Like a tent) wherever they are found, except when under a covenant (of protection) from God and from men; they draw on themselves wrath from God, and pitched over them is (the tent of) destitution.



This because they rejected the Signs of God, and slew the prophets in defiance of right; this because they rebelled and transgressed beyond bounds." (Koran: 3:112-113) –

God is talking about these Zionists and their ancestors – God also said in the last part of al-Israa (The Night Journey):

"And We said thereafter (meaning after Pharaoh) to the Children of Israel, "Dwell securely in the land (of promise)": but when the second of the warnings came to pass, We gathered you together in a mingled crowd." (Koran: 17:104).

God also said in the beginning:

"If ye did well, ye did well for yourselves; if ye did evil, (ye did it) against yourselves. So when the second of the warnings came to pass, (We permitted your enemies) to disfigure your faces, and to enter your Temple as they had entered it before, and to visit with destruction all that fell into their power. It may be that your Lord may (yet) show Mercy unto you; but if ye revert (to your sins), We shall revert (to Our punishments): And we have made Hell a prison for those who reject (all Faith)." (Koran 17:7-8).

This is another year and we meet again to renew our pledge of allegiance to our Imam al-Khomeini who commanded us throughout his life to look after al-Quds, and to renew our pledge of allegiance to his successor Imam al-Khamenei who is commanding us to look after al-Quds day and night.

We are meeting on the last Friday of the blessed month of Ramadan. It is the day that was marked by Imam Khomeini as al-Quds International Day,

for us to celebrate al-Quds as well as to follow the Imam's commands, and for al-Quds to be freed from the circle of negligence and leniency, within which many of our rulers throughout our Arab and Islamic world wanted al-Quds to be placed. They hoped that al-Quds would change in time to an issue that would forgotten and out of sight, and 50-60 years later it would become a marginal matter, which would retreat and reduce, and the significance of which would diminish and become a natural issue of concession. They hoped that al-Quds would be erased from the conscience of the nation and would become in reality an old neighborhood of the Palestinian land that was occupied by the enemy in 1967. On the other hand, the Imam (Khomeini) hoped that al-Quds would be maintained within the heart and mind of the nation, within the heart and conscience of history, within the heart of present and future, as always, present within the heart of the past, and maintained as a Kiblah* for prayers, jihad, martyrdom and hope, as well as a symbol of the nation's pride and dignity. A nation without al-Quds is a nation without dignity. A nation without al-Quds is a nation without honor. A nation without al-Quds is a nation without existence although it survived with its ruler on food and drink.

The Imam had a wish for al-Quds to restore this meaning and this position. Today, al-Quds has returned into the core of the battle and conflict and into the heart of the nation. Al-Quds Day is gaining more care and interest and this day will continuously keep growing because when the Imam marked it, he marked it with a pure intention that was purely for the way of God (be praised), "That which is purely for God will grow."

Yes, today, al-Quds has returned to shine like the Kiblah* of jihad and martyrdom, the Kiblah* of those who adore and Miss God as well as thirst for freedom and dignity.

Al-Quds Day, dear brothers and sisters, synchronizes with the evening of a national holiday, which is celebrated



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by most Lebanese. It is Independence Day and the people's restoration of this independence. Al-Quds Day comes within the shade of the grave developments in the region, within the shade of the continuation of the blessed Intifada in Palestine along with the beginning of its fourth year.

This Intifada has truly placed the Zionist entity for the first time since its erection and foundation in a position of facing historic, fateful, and existential entitlement. Enough has been said regarding the outcomes of the Intifada and the rise of the Palestinian people over the past few years and the security, economic, political, social, psychological, and spiritual reflections on the Zionist entity and the people of this occupation entity. However, when we review the events of the past few weeks, we will discover more influences and blessings of this Intifada, of this rich blood, of this continuing bloody struggle, and of this legendry steadfastness of the men,

women and children of Palestine. When we display some of the quick headings over the past few weeks, we will find that the image of "Israel" throughout the world - for the restoration and beautification of which billions of dollars have been spent and were placed at the service of the media and the research centers and intelligence apparatuses – is beginning to fade away due to the Palestinian blood, Palestinian wrongfulness and Palestinian suffering, the part of which is reflecting on media.

As a result, the last poll in the countries of the EU, which indicated that most Europeans see "Israel" as the primary danger and threat to world peace along with this mutation in the western world, took place far from any true cultural, media or political efforts by the governments, systems and people of the two Arab and Islamic worlds, apart from the efforts of a few. In addition, the image of "Israel" is damaged in both Arab and Islamic worlds and the image of the USA has been greatly defiled due to its support of this usurping cancerous entity that commits war crimes and kills children.

In addition, over the past few weeks, several criticisms emerged in the western world, of which we did not hear in the past, especially that which concern the apartheid separation wall, at the UN committee, where a great number of the world countries condemned this wall.

The Pope in the Vatican also condemned this wall, and Sharon did not tolerate his words, so he retaliated by saying that his wall is not higher than the walls of the Vatican. The criticisms against this wall emerged in the EU and other places of the world. All the excuses and issues that were presented by "Israel" were unable to convince anyone in this world with the need to this apartheid wall that bears racial significance. In the past we said that this wall represented an armedcemented defeat of "Israel" before the unarmed people in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Dear brothers and sisters, there is something that is more important than

all that which I have said. This is the escalating tone of the voices inside the Zionist entity, as we used to hear during the last years of the operations of the Islamic Resistance in Lebanon. Today, inside the Zionist entity, voices began rising to talk about Sharon the failed. We all remember when Sharon reached the premiership; many people said Sharon would crush the Intifada, destroy the Palestinian people, end the hopes of the people, eliminate the resistance in Palestine and Lebanon, impose "Israel's" conditions on Lebanon and Syria and would discipline the entire region. However, what did really happen?

Since the first day if you remember, we said Sharon is incapable of achieving anything. If Netanyahu was similar to the wing of a mosquito – exemplifying his power – or even weaker than the wing of a mosquito,



Sharon is nothing more than a frog, whose figure is scary but his deed equals nothing when facing the stamina of jihad and martyrdom, and he will never be able to change anything of the reality.

And Sharon's government is an example of the present reality, whose title is failure. It is the security, economic, political, substantial, and military failure. Therefore, he must find something which he can use to convince his people.

Today, the voices within the entity are rising again asking, "What can the "Israeli" forces achieve in the West

Bank? What are the "Israeli" forces doing in Gaza? And what are the Zionist settlements doing in Gaza?" The same was said in the past, "What is the "Israeli" army doing in south Lebanon?" The issue does not only confine to some correspondents or political elite; rather it crossed them to reach the great generals in the "Israeli" army and the "Israeli" security apparatuses.

Brothers and sisters; watch carefully and read carefully what the four "Israeli" generals have said. They are those who were in a successive charge of the most important interior security apparatus in "Israel" over the past two decades, which is the "Shin Beit" apparatus. These four generals, considering they have chaired the security apparatus, are aware of the events taking place within the "Israeli" community, and know how the "Israeli" community thinks and what the "Israeli" community means. These four generals, despite their personal disagreement that keep them apart from each other, have gathered and raised the voice saying that the policy of Sharon, the continuation of the Zionist occupation in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip as well as the maintaining of the Zionist settlements in these areas will all lead to the destruction of "Israel," hence to our destruction. One of these generals said each time I looked at my daughters a felt concern for the future, which they will encounter. These words are no poetry. These are the words of generals who know the genuine reality of the "Israeli" community. Official statistics have read two days ago via some newspapers concerning the emigration of 760 Zionists from Palestine. Most of them range from the age of 22 years to the age of 42 years. This is the youth element. This is the force and vigor element that is emigrating nowadays. One out of five "Israelis" is ready to leave the country if he finds a reasonable living in any other place of this world, as published by "Yedeot" Newspaper a few days earlier, based on "Israeli" public poll. The number of those working on trying to obtain other citizenships for themselves and their children is increasing.

Therefore, what we have said a few years ago, what some brethren are saying now in Palestine, such as religious scientists and leaders in Palestine and in the Arab and Islamic world is that this entity is an exterminating and doomed entity that will not survive. It is a troubled entity since the first moments of its erection and will remain troubled until extinction. This extinction is no longer an Islamic or Arabic words or rhetoric in which a certain elite of the Islamic world or the struggling trends believe. It is rather a truth to which the great generals of "Israel" have indicated and about which the politicians are warning. Therefore, statements in Geneva and other places as well as approvals here and there began to emerge and the "Israeli" voice which will demand the withdrawal from the Palestinian land occupied in 1967 will rise.

I am describing a fact. I am not expressing my views or prospects and you know it. We all believe that Palestine does not only represent the land of 1967. Palestine is Palestine in its entirety. Each grain of soil and sand and each drop of water flowing in the river and sea of Palestine belong to Palestine. In fact, when it comes to the true land and true ethics and virtues, the so-called "Israel" does not exist. I am talking about the political outcomes.

Today, after a few years, the Intifada drove the "Israeli" society and the generals of "Israel" to the place, where it is clearly revealed that they are facing security crisis and that there is no security solution for their problem with the Palestinians. The most important parties in the government of Sharon are discussing inside the government the use of their continuance in the Gaza Strip. They are questioning, why we should risk thousands of soldiers to protect only hundreds of settlers. Yet stubbornness occupies the minds of Sharon and others. However, these voices will rise further as long as the battlefield rises stronger and hotter.

Who drove the Zionists to this reality? Who brought the Zionists this outcome? I can say that as long as the Intifada continues this voice will rise higher and higher. The same happened in Lebanon, when the slogan of the withdrawal from Lebanon changed to a slogan of elections, which were fought by Barak and Netanyahu; thus, one must not wonder about the fact changing into a withdrawal from the Bank and the Strip as well as the land occupied in 1967, which will become the slogan of the next Zionist's elections. Yes, the "Israelis" are saying let us sign an agreement with the Palestinians. They said this in Lebanon also; where they said we want to depart Lebanon according to a reconciliatory framework agreed with Syria as well, a security deal framework. However, in the end, they departed while being humiliated without any condition or restraint and without any gain.

The issues can steer in this direction soon. This will represent a very great political, security and substantial victory for the resistance and Intifada in occupied Palestine, and this is clear for the public. Until now, the Intifada and this besieged people drove "Israel" to this crisis, away from the entire reality, from the undulating reality of the official Arab system, from the reality of the nation abandoning Palestine and its people, except for the few children of this nation, and from this world besieging this people on all levels, diplomatic, economic and financial. Nevertheless, the miracle came true or some parts of this miracle came true until now.

All the Zionist governments, all the generals of "Israel" failed in their attempt to defeat Palestinians and the people of this region. They failed in their try to break the willpower of the resistance in Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Iran and that of the people of our region. Furthermore, the USA itself failed in trying to impose its will on the Palestinian people, and tried to render this people tolerate the road map that leads nowhere but to the abyss. When the struggling forces of the Palestinian people rejected the road map, America erupted shaking

the world against these struggling forces. However, the road map changed to a decision of the UN Security Council that was rejected by "Israel", and this was the natural right of "Israel," rejecting the road map or expressing some conservation concerning some of the items of the road map, which do not even give the minimum rights to which the Palestinians are yearning.

Today, as we speak of the achievement of the Intifada, I should like to say to you that we must continue supporting this Intifada, while being in the shade of repression in many of the Arab countries and in the shade of the crises and predicaments. I should like to say to you in Lebanon and to all the brothers and sisters throughout the Arab and Islamic world that we are reviving the importance of a certain issue. Watch, brothers and sisters, how the US worked on besieging the Intifada, financially and economically, also on the Palestinian people, financially and economically, and pressurized the countries of the world to place the struggling movements, headed by Hamas and Islamic jihad as well as other brigades on the list of terrorism. It also extorted the funds and closed institutions as well as banned other organizations. Even in the Arab world, there are several systems who submitted to the will of the American demands, and they stopped supporting the Palestinian people and banned all fundraising for the Palestinian people.

Today, I should like to say to you that the best obligation the Arabs and Moslems, men, women and children must conduct, the best support we must present to the Palestinian people and its struggling forces is money. We are all capable of offering money, a little here and a little there are similar to rain drops that can create a stream, sea or ocean.

I repeat my call, we must not neglect this issue; and all the institutions, committees, parties and group and individual efforts must regenerate to raise the fund throughout both Arab and Islamic worlds or any other place in this world. After this, the money must be delivered to the Palestinians. They can use money to buy their bread and build their demolished houses. They can also use the money to dress their wounds and purchase their weapons.

In Palestine, there are men and women who will not retreat or enfeeble. They are the legend of this epoch and they are present today in Palestine. If we cannot deliver food to them, we can deliver money, which they can use to buy food. If we cannot deliver weapons to them, we can deliver money, which they can use to buy the weapons.

Some people are calling us from the different regions of the Arab world and saying they want to go to Palestine to fight. In Palestine, there are thousands of self-sacrificing fighters and hundreds of thousands of fighters as well as tens of thousands who adore martyrdom. These are the young men and women. Therefore, I say to these volunteers, if you have money send it to a young man or to a family in Palestine, for this family to rebuild its house or for this man to go to the university. This way life will continue. Money can be sent to buy weapons, explosives and to train a self-sacrificing or ordinary fighter. Yes, this can be done and "Israel" will not be able to prevent this money from reaching the Palestinians. This money can truly reach.

I should like to confirm the significance of this point. Some people might ask, what can we offer at this historic stage? Well, if you cannot reach demonstrations throughout the Arab world, leave this issue aside. Today, we demonstrate and summon this huge political, official and public crowd, which in fact is for the purpose of solidarity and incitement to express the vitality of the cause. On the other hand, each man and woman, each Arab and Moslem can deduct some of his or her money from his or her salary.

Remember brothers and sisters, after a few days the holiday of Eid-el-Fitr will arrive across the Arab and Islamic world. There will be parties, soirňes, new fancy clothes, candies, while the poor and needy will be deprived of such matters. However, this Eid still means something to these poor people. Remember your people in Palestine; remember you brothers and sisters in Palestine; and remember the families whose homes have been demolished in Palestine.

Today, our responsibility obliges us to continue with our support, political, meaningful, media, military and social support. However, we must never abstain from providing this required financial support on a daily basis, especially if we are capable. Everyone must contribute within his power. At this point, I am describing this issue as an obligation and not as a voluntary issue. We must support our brothers in Palestine through money. It is the money which we can offer to them.

Someday, we might be asked to support through blood and fight. However, today, each one is required to work on breaking the financial and economic siege and isolation which America and "Israel" imposed on our people in Palestine.

Brothers and sisters; we come to the issue of Lebanon and Syria, while facing this flow of threats and intimidation: one day from the chief of staff in the occupation forces and other day from the war minister Mofaz and Sharon. In addition, there are some scenarios about which they are saying it is necessary for the "Israeli" war or aggression. There are also the maneuvers, which they conducted a few days earlier at the frontier with Lebanon and Syria.

I should like to say to the Lebanese first and to the Syrians and the people of the region; do not fear the "Israeli" army. I am not trying to raise your spirits. According to true data and security research that is being conducted by some "Israeli" research centers and studied by the greatest experts of the Zionist enemy, concerning military and strategic level, the "Israeli" army has become incapable of invading any Arab country or trying to stay in any if it mulled

any invasion. This army has become incapable – I am giving you true information and data and not meanings or slogans –. This army, which did not find any other choice but the choice of being defeated in Lebanon, and which reoccupied the West Bank as a part of a framework so-called "Defensive Wall", is an army that was unable to prevent the young men and women of Palestine from executing the most outstanding operations after the occupation of the West Bank.

Brothers and sisters; if we review our information we will find that the most important outstanding operations that were carried out by self-sacrificing Palestinians, came from the West Bank following its invasion and reoccupation by the "Israeli" army. Isn't this a fact? The "Israeli" army and all the "Israeli" security apparatuses and police were highly alerted on the day that is called at them "Yom Kippur", but they were unable to hinder a young woman who came from Jenin and broke into the city of Haifa executing an outstanding self-sacrificing operation. Can this army enter the south of Lebanon, al-Bigaa, Mount Lebanon and Beirut again? Whoever says so is ridiculous. Who would believe these alleges and threats? Can this army enter Syria, Damascus, or enter Homos and Halab via al-Bigaa? Is al-Bigaa's road a stroll for it to reach Homos and Halab? Such words were possible in the past. On the other hand, today, no-one must believe any of these words. This "Israeli" army is far more incapable of doing so. Even these maneuvers which it is conducting in the south although it is not in my interest to say this - are nothing but maneuvers due to "Israeli" fear from the vows of Hezbollah and the Islamic Resistance which vowed to liberate the prisoners at any cost.

The "Israeli" army is no longer the usual army. Yes, the "Israelis" do have an air force, they can bomb any place in Lebanon, any place in Syria, Palestine, Jordan Egypt or any other location inside the ringing countries at minimum. They are shelling Gaza each day. They might even think about shelling Iran. However, there is a new

condition at the present time. In the past they were able to strike the infrastructure in Lebanon, while none of the spots in occupied Palestine, meaning inside their entity would be struck back. But on the other hand, today the condition is different. The "Israeli" air force is strong and can strike anywhere. However, the new issue is that it cannot strike without payback.

Assaulting our people and infrastructure as well as our brethren and brothers cannot be spared without payback by our brethren who had declared and our brothers as we have confirmed. At that point, we will be dealing with this confrontation and it will be our natural right to strike back, not only the locations adjacent to the frontier, where the enemy expects, but it is our right to strike at any range, depth or location to which our hands may reach. And our brothers, friends, brethren and dear ones as well as our people must put their trust in us; and our enemy must learn as well that the hand of the resistance can reach, that the hand of the resistance is long and that the resistance retaliation will be beyond any expectation.

This preparedness for retaliation, this ground, military, psychological and political preparedness represents a deterring element. When the officials and leaders in Syria and Lebanon and even in Iran declared that any "Israeli" aggression on Iran would be met by harsh missile retaliation from the Islamic republic in Iran on the entity of the enemy it meant that this declaration and this preparedness, I repeat, this psychological, meaningful, public, military and ground preparedness was the issue that created today a deterring element against the enemy and prevented it from mulling any aggression as well as rendered it count its steps a thousand times before mulling any aggression. This is because in the nation, there is someone who has the ability, preparedness and readiness to get even twice, retaliate, confront and defend. The time when houses were demolished and opposite houses were spared is over. The time when our people got killed and their people got

peace is gone. The time when our infrastructure was hit and their infrastructure was spared is finished.

This symmetry is made by Lebanon, Syria and Iran and is being made by the resistance in Palestine and by the cooperation of the people in the region.

Today, any "Israeli" aggression will be answered. Why do I talk with confidence? It is because the culture of the people of the region, Palestinians, Lebanese, Syrians, Jordanians and Egyptians has changed. When I talk about the ringing countries and the people of our region in general, I say that this culture has changed.

Nowadays, within the people of this region, there are millions of young men and women who are ready to fight, resist, struggle and give sacrifice for martyrdom. We know this for fact despite all the bad economic and political conditions from which this or that country is suffering. Hence, there is another change, which I want to point out on al-Quds International Day. It is the change in the "Israeli" community, the members of which are escaping abroad and running away from military service as well as there are those who disobey the orders. On the other hand, there is a great cultural and substantial mutation in our region and within the people of our region.

This "Israel" anyway will not benefit from touring the world trying to place Hezbollah on the list of terrorism. And it will not benefit by trying to convince others that Hezbollah possesses bases where it trains terrorists to deploy them everywhere throughout the world.

"Israel" wants to apply its strength through American on Hezbollah, Hamas, Islamic jihad, al-Quds Martyrs' Brigades and others. "Israel" wants to apply its strength through the world on these struggling movements and these resisting brigades. And we know when "Israel" wants to assault it does not need any true pretext, for they fabricate and invent the pretexts, knowing they are people with a history

that witnessed the fabrication and falsification of the heavenly books and prophecies of the prophets. Thus, what will be of the issue when they want to talk about a struggling or political group? All these actions of theirs will not weaken or frighten us, and will not drive us to a reversible position.

Today, we are moving with a clear vision. In Palestine, the Intifada continues and we all must support the Intifada. In Lebanon and Syria, there is steadfastness, preparedness and consistency in the constants and the solidarity and unity of the fate and the force for the confrontation. In Iran also, there is steadfastness, endurance and challenge. And across the region there are boiling people. The hatred towards the USA is rising and growing. The USA, which is bragging about its call for democracy can only be believed by the nanf people in Latin America or Africa. On the other hand, in our Arab and Islamic world, we all know that the ugliest systems of autocracy are those, which were established by the US in our region and world.

Brothers and sisters, lifting the slogan of spreading democracy will not morally, politically or humanely justify for America the continuation of its occupation of Iraq. In addition, it will not lessen at all the responsibility of America for all the environments, which are causing tension, confusion, killing, and instability throughout the region and the world.

The one that must be blamed for the occurrences in Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Iraq or any other place in this world is firstly the USA before people start arguing their positions concerning this or that executer, and before arguing whether its occupation of Iraq, as the Zionist occupation of Palestine, represents a source of true threat to security and stability in the region.

Brothers and sisters, when the resistance intercepts the Zionist occupation in the arena of Lebanon it does not ignore the constant American sponsorship of this Zionist occupation. The resistance is practicing its God-

given natural right in confronting the autocracy and aggression launching from a comprehensive human vision and according to a struggling scheme that cannot be motivated by emotions, feelings, obsessions or arguments. Rather it is controlled by defined priorities in order to reach the desired aims and aspirated victory and it is committed to discipline and moral behavior elevating the resistance to become a useful retaliation in order to achieve this heavenly and human desire.

Brothers and sisters, on this day of al-Quds, we remember the displaced people of al-Quds who migrated to Lebanon, and with a short word I say, yes, we must reject implantation. However, we must also support the right to return. We as Lebanese must nationally, morally and humanely support the Palestinians, not only by rejecting their implantation in Lebanon, but by supporting their right to return to Palestine. Rejecting implantation is not sufficient through words and rhetoric only. A serious program must be set for this issue. However, hear me well Lebanese, the reason that can repatriate the Palestinians is supporting them and supporting their Intifada and resistance in occupied Palestine. I do not believe that the Lebanese can achieve anything significant that can prohibit implantation. They may scream, gather, unite or in a later stage some might cause dispute amongst them. Someone might come someday to tell them, what you think about 33 or 40 billion dollars of deficit and debts in exchange for implantation. Some might say yes and some might say no. Who can guarantee that this national unanimity will remain as it is. When our economic conditions worsen further to a graver level I must raise the alarm.

I do not believe that the Lebanese can do anything, in facing the willpower of America, International Community, EU, Canada, UN, Security Council and the world, to prohibit the implantation of their Palestinian brethren in Lebanon. The only way to prohibit implantation is to seriously support the Intifada in Palestine and the resistance in Lebanon that

supports the Intifada in Palestine. This serious daily true position of support is the only way to repatriate the Palestinians. And this "Israel" is rejecting the "road map" and has been rejecting the 425 resolution for more than twenty years. The UN representatives are poor, but nevertheless, they are thanked for their condemnation of the "Israeli" air violations of Lebanon's sovereignty. They are demanding "Israel" to stop its violations, but it is not obeying, listening or suspending its violation. It does not even recognize the UN or the International Community or the Security Council.

Where can the Lebanese seek support to liberate their land? Merely it is this way and choice, meaning these people at whom the Lebanese can find support to prohibit implantation, meaning the resistance, the Intifada, endurance, steadfastness and tolerance. However, at the same time and as we refuse implantation, I should like to renew on al-Quds International Day the humane, ethical and national call for help. Until now, we do not understand why the state of Lebanon and the authority in Lebanon insist on this behavior when dealing with the civil affairs of the Palestinians who reside in Lebanon. We reject this implantation but at the same time we demand the Palestinians' civil rights. The Palestinians are even deprived of the simplest civil rights in Lebanon.

If we want to prohibit implantation we must provide the Palestinians with at least a part of their civil rights. We must not trap the Palestinians in the corner and tell him, either you accept implantation or accept residence in this dark and tight room inside this or that camp. I should like to say that a series of procedures, required from the Lebanese authority, must be planned through an anti-implantation scheme by giving the Palestinians their civil rights like humans, like Arab, Moslem and Christian brothers of ours in Lebanon. And we must utterly end this incomprehensible bad issue, which cannot be understood neither through the political scales, nor legal or ethical scales. This behavior can be classified in some cases as a racial

behavior and the Lebanese authority must end it. I do not believe that the problem lies within the Lebanese people.

The last issue which I want to confirm on the day of imprisoned al-Quds is the issue of the prisoners. We have entered a new round of negotiations. We are working on trying to reach certain outcomes for the sake of the negotiations and not because there are negotiations. There are a lot of sayings concerning these negotiations. However, for their sake, at this crucial and final stage, we agreed on that its issue must be worked on secretly. However, if the government of the enemy said one issue we will say a lot of issues. But we are committed to the secrecy of the negotiations to protect these negotiations. And we hope it will succeed in freeing our prisoners.

On the day of imprisoned al-Quds, I can only renew our vow and covenant with our brothers in prisons, with all of our imprisoned brothers. I should like to renew our promise and commitment that we will not abandon or neglect them and we will work on freeing them and bringing them back home. And as I said at the Iftar of the Resistance Supportive Committee, likewise our land came back to us with dignity and pride and without any favor from anyone, our brothers will also come back home with dignity and pride and without any favor from anyone.

However, the issue that needs confirmation and renewal, especially after the intimidations and Zionist maneuvers, is this word that I am saying now, yes I renew on al-Quds International Day our commitment to the liberation of the detainees and prisoners. And if the negotiations failed we will do anything in our power and seek any mean to do so. We will not abandon our prisoners regardless of the sacrifices and regardless of the intimidations and maneuvers.

We are people who promised God with this issue and we promised our prisoners with this issue. We have a pledge of integrity and blood; we never disavowed our pledge and never will.

On al-Quds International Day there is a new commitment that al-Quds must remain the compass, the compass of jihad, honor, love, dignity, the compass of the Messiah, al-Mahdi* and the compass of every tyrannized and repressed human being.

We swear before al-Quds that these groups of people will pray in the arena of its blessed mosque. We swear before al-Quds that these groups of people will smell its pure sent and sacred fragrance. This is our commitment, promise and pledge.

And may peace and Gods blessings be upon you.

*Kiblah: The point to which Moslems direct when praying. The first kiblah was the holy mosque in al-Quds, and then by orders of God inspired to the Prophet it changed to Makkah.

*Al-Mahdi: This is the 12th rightful caliph (sacred leader) after the prophet. He is the chosen one that was promised by God and his prophet to emerge by the end of days in order to erect the state of the prophets on earth, where justice and peace will reign everywhere; even in the deepest oceans and space.

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