## Yom al-Quds Means *Jihad*: Oppression will be Answered with War.

PORTLAND, Oct. 28—(al-Masakin) Millions of people across the world will take to the streets today, Jerusalem International Day—the last Friday in the month of Ramadan—in preparation for the one final onslaught against the Zionist entity for the liberation of Palestine and the holy city of Quds (Jerusalem). An onslaught, a war, a Holy war, and a *jihad*, a *jihad* that is coming as surely as night turns into day until the End of Days. An event as certain as the Holy Koran is the word of God.

We have gathered here today to prepare ourselves and to make the intention, both for ourselves and for the Muslim Umma as a whole, to make *jihad* against the fascist genocidal apartheid dictatorship "Israel," to combat Zionism, neocolonialism, and imperialism. Today we Muslims make the intention to fight this war and affirm that this is a fight unto death and that our battle cry is *la ilaha ilallah*.

On this day, the last Friday of Ramadan, do we renew our intention to make war on the Zionist entity and declare unequivocally that the path to liberation is *jihad* and martyrdom. On this day Muslims hasten to make the *shahadda*. There is no God but the One God! And Muhammad was His last and final messenger. Muhammad *rasulallah* (p.b.u.h.) was the seal of the prophets. There will never be another prophet of



God until the Judgment Day. On the Judgment Day we will all stand before Allah and be judged according to our deeds. Believe it, or believe it not! This day is coming. Muslims, then, make this *jihad* to fulfill our obligation to combat oppression. Combating oppression includes defending the Holy religion, defending its Holy places, defending the furthest mosque—*masjid al-Aqsa*—and defending the Holy city—*al-Quds*.

This *jihad* is a *jihad* not only for the liberation of the land and people of Palestine; it is *jihad* for the religious freedom of the Muslim people, it is a *jihad* against the criminal acts of the Zionist entity and of US imperialism—their crimes against humanity, their oppression of our people, indeed their oppression of *all peoples*.

The month of Ramadan has strengthened our collective wills and solidified our intentions. It proves to every Muslim that we can endure anything: war, famine, or natural disaster. The Muslims are strong and nothing will deter us.

Yom al-Quds demands *shahadda*. Who will make this *jihad*? Who will defend the Holy city? Who is seeking martyrdom?

We are not afraid. Leave our lands. Free our people. Or suffer the consequences. Takbir!

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