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The response to the serious accusations against Sheikh Albani concerning the silence of the turncoat leaders.

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## Intro:

Call to Muslims to recognize shame and bad conditions of their lives is not the doing of fellow Muslims, but rather a result of the deception and cunning of the infidels. The author makes several references to Koranic verses to support his stance against the corruption and debauchery by the West and those who have turned their backs on Allah.

Breaks his response into 3 main points:

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I A statement to the Infidel Leaders to change to Islamic Shar'ia and their obligation to jihad.

Whoever doesn't govern by the revelations of Allah is an Infidel. He hinders Shar'ia to devise a new rule.

The author refers to statements from religious leaders and the Koran assailing "Infidels" and "turncoats" who do not govern according to the shar'ia. The author calls on the readers to disobey the Infidels and is obligated to depose them. He also states that it is required to kill the unshakable Infidels be they foreigners or nationals. He goes on to state that domestic infidels are the worst because they are backsliders.

## II Response to the allegations of Sheikh Albani

Despite all of the judgments constructed on the texts and the consensus, Sheikh Albani has gone out and called to the Muslims to yield and surrender to the reality and prohibit them from jihad. Sheikh Abdul Qadar Bin Al-Aziz has already written a response to this opinion in his letter named "The Intention of Preparing the Masses for Jihad"

Sheikh Albani has stated that he believes in jihad through forgiveness, education, and prayer. The author states that Albani has made grievous errors, is wrapped in evil, he is not suitable to be a Sheikh, and there are many people that disagree with

The author then draws points that support his position against Sheikh Albani in the following points:

- 1 Remember in the 3rd Door the duty of the citizens of Al-Mansura to jihad against the turncoat rulers who decreed that Muslim countries change from the shar'ia. Then refers to fatwas by Ahmad Shaker, Muhammad Hamid Al-Faqi, and Muhammad Bin Abr Aheem.
- 2 Revelations by Ibin A'bas and King Al-Shaj'ai Supported by 2 main points:

First: This is true because the Imam is not an infidel governor and will not bow down to the turncoat rulers because of the following:

- A They are not fully meeting the conditions established by the Imamate
- B We are not contracted to them in the condition of shar'ia
- C The obligations are not based on the Imams

Second: We are bound by the revelations of the Imams

- 3 Sheikh Albani is mistaken in his comments on the Tahawi sect. He says Sheikh Tahawi and Ibin Abi Al-Az have gone astray and not the infidels. Albani establishes that the infidel's system is to govern over the shar'ia.
- 4 As the Sheikh says in his book, strike the infidel's system and disobey it now.
- 5 Albani says that revolution by prayer against the rulers and those that misguide the people is not correct and is not misguided.
- 6 Overthrowing the military is one of the types of offensive attack against the idolaters.
- 7 The Sheikh didn't say to just begin the military withdrawal, but to change the self in accordance with the shar'ia.
- 8 We agree with the Sheikh in the obligation to change the self in order to raise the followers of Allah. However, we disagree with the Sheikh in the following manners.

Albani believes that knowledge and education are the 2 keys to jihad and changing the self.

The addition of a third and fourth is necessary. You will see my brother, that the addition of shar'ia law and justice are not conditions and obligations of jihad. The ignorant and the godless speak of global jihad and prayer. The prescribed, obligatory jihad should not be postponed - if possible - in order to attain that which has no conditions on it. Jihad should be waged despite corrupt leadership. Allah can

correct the character of men through jihad and the need to expel the infidels is great.

- 9 Albani contradicts himself by calling for Muslims to endure their leaders and at the same time he calls them to jihad against the imperialist infidels.
- 10 He also contradicts himself when he says in the same book on more knowledge on the two pieces of jihad: First to determine the goal and this is to turn back the enemy who attacks some Muslim countries such as the Jews who are occupying Palestine. But if you remember from earlier in this address that the turncoat leaders are also infidel enemies who are in control of Muslim countries and that their jihad to that designated goal that the jihad against them precede the jihad against the Jews for 2 reasons: proximity and apostasy. The Jews have not established a residence in Palestine except under the protection of these backslidden leaders.
- 11 We agree with what the Sheikh says about the need to restore the base as a foundation upon which we can build a troop to carry out jihad and expel the infidels. (TC: could be a reference to Al-Qaida the terrorist organization and not a physical "base")

In conclusion, what increases the importance of this issue of Sheikh Albani is that it establishes a school of thought on his principles that are spread throughout the Muslim nations.

## **III Conclusion**

As said before brother, this issue is a lapse of the ulema. Don't blindly follow them in it.

It was asked of me, "Do you know what will destroy Islam?" I replied, "No, tell me." He said, "The slip of the world, the arguments of the hypocrites of the Koran, and the judgments of the deceptive ulema.