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Line ID #: 601-236-7488

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Participants:

As = Abdel Halim Al-Ashqar

Ab = Abou Ahmad (NFI)

Abbreviations:

<i>Italics</i>	Spoken in Foreign Languages
IA	Inaudible
UI	Unintelligible
PH	Phonetic
[]	Background Conversation / Noise/Translator's comments
SC	Simultaneous conversation

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As: Don't you know what happened?

Ab: Muin told me a little bit.

As: Today?

Ab: No, no. He told me...er, on Friday.

As: Man, this guy is a vengeful, a hypocrite. What is that? He calls Britain, he calls Jordan, he calls Issam. He didn't leave anyone on the face of the earth but called him. And, "There's a problem". They call me here and I tell them, "Man, there's no problem. If he didn't speak with you, would you have felt there is a problem, ?". They said, "No". I told them, "By God, there is no problem", to no avail.

Ab: Who is calling them?

As: That guy who is....er.

Ab: Omar?

As: The one called Omar, yes.

Ab: Ah.

As: Man...er, what can I tell you? Since that day until today..., since the day the Sheik came until today and I'm really in....er. And the phone calls keep coming. "People, resolve this problem". I tell them, "People, there is no problem".

Ab: Hmm. By God.

As: Ok, hold on for a little bit, my man. We had an activity in Charlotte, they called and broke it up.

Ab: By God. What, is this the only time for Charlotte? There are hundred thousands other cities, I mean. Did it boil down to this city?

As: No man, they want the tour to fail so that the project fails as a whole. My friend, we called...er. We had planned an activity in Philadelphia....

Ab: Hmm.!

As: ...and they have been calling before..., before the massacre and cancelling the activity. So, the man's relationship with us is strong, he told them, "No way", I mean.

Ab: Oh my God.

As: They spared no one but called in order to make the activity fail.

Ab: By God, I don't know what is this mentality which...[SC].

As: [SC] Man, what more can I tell you. They..., they..., by Almighty God, they have no shame. Ok, my friend. I mean, just working on this phone all day and that's it. Today morning, I received a paper from Abou Omar. By God, I will read it to you, my brother. By God, I've been sick since that time.

Ab: He sent me something as well. I don't know..., all of their matters have become like that. All of it are plots and gossips.

As: My brother, what plots and gossips, my brother! By Almighty God, this is a sedition. What is this, my brother?

Ab: It is a sedition, by God.

As: Listen to this: [noise].

"My dear brother:
I got word of how the situation has become at your end and the public's word about the discord and the conflict and the matter is threatening undesirable consequences. The prevention of sedition takes precedence over the keenness over sedition...er, interests. And the sedition emanating from each party's sticking to its opinion must be stopped. And the unity of heart is indispensable and it is a mandate which takes precedence over other ways. God has ordered us and admonished us against disaccord..., disaccord and conflict. 'Do not have conflict....etc.'. My honorable brother, I wish that you stop your activity until I arrive to America". What is, Abou Ahmad? Ok, my brother, at least call me and ask me.

Ab: Well, this is the other problem, my brother.

As: What is that?

Ab: What can you do?

As: Also, what is Ismail Elbrasse doing? He is the one who is being the most strict.

Ab: By God, I don't know why is Ismail acting this way?

As: My brother, he wants to cover his failure in coordination for two-three years. So, he is looking for ...er, for the party that will...er, that will keep quiet about him. Isn't that shameful, my brother?

Ab: By God, my brother, by God, there is a hundred shameful thing taking place, my brother. What can you do?

As: Man, there is no...er, what is that? Issam told me a little while ago, "Ismail Elbrasse is the one who is most strict".

Ab: Issam?

As: Yes, Issam.

Ab: Who is Issam?

As: Issam Al-Sarraj.

Ab: Yes. He is with you in the Committee, I mean?

As: No, my brother, he is intervening as a mediator.