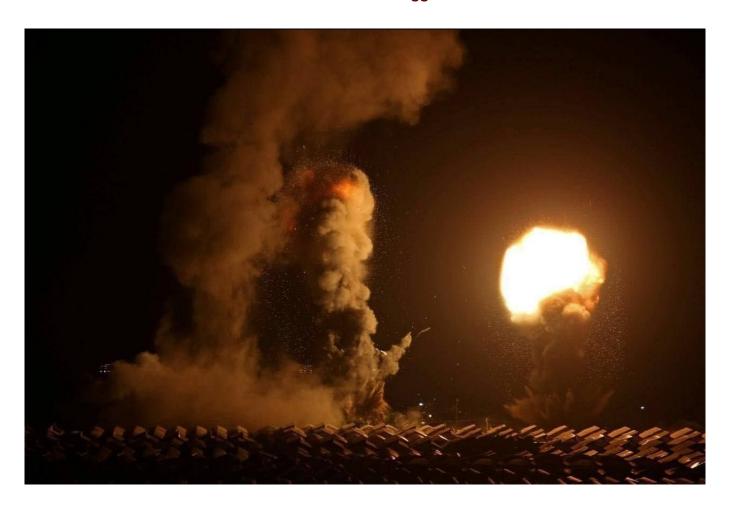
## MB Statement on Escalation of Aggression on Gaza



"Rejoice! We are on the verge of a 'victory or martyrdom' entitlement"

In the Name of Allah, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful

«Permission [to fight] has been given to those who are being fought, because they were wronged. And indeed, Allah is competent to give them victory. ♦ (Al⁻Hajj: 39)

In the name of Allah: praise be to Him; and blessings and peace be upon His Messenger, Master of Messengers and Imam of Mujahideen:

Now to the topic:

O Muslims everywhere across the world! We are receiving frequent reports on the occupation army's escalation of its comprehensive bombardment of the Gaza Strip and that it has started a new round of criminal escalation, something that was globally mobilized —which we had warned against— amid the uproar of statements and briefs, released by those have the capability, decision—making and action, and those who those who are helpless, on equal terms; in a satanic conspiracy in which the global arrogance of the West allied itself with the silence and inaction of

the Arab Muslim leaders and armies, to tighten the siege and intensify the unjust conspiracy against our people in Gaza.

In this regard, as Zionism and its Western supporters summoned one another to attack the Palestinians, we affirm that the peoples of the Muslim world are eager to undertake the duty of Jihad in the cause of Allah to liberate Palestine and the captive Al—Aqsa Mosque, and Allah Almighty commanded us to do so, saying in the Quran: March forth, whether you are light (being healthy, young and wealthy) or heavy (being ill, old and poor),—strive hard with your wealth and your lives in the Cause of Allah. This is better for you if you but knew. (Al Tawbah: 41). However, there are borders (in fact barriers) between Muslims and the fulfilment of this duty, which (borders) should not be to protect the security of the usurping enemy. Therefore, we demand opening the borders to be able to respond to the call of this duty, and to provide assistance and support to our brethren in Palestine. We disavow before Allah Almighty—anyone who prevents Muslims from fulfilling the duty of Jihad and providing support, sacrificing their lives and money.

O peoples of the Muslim world, come to provide support to your brothers in Gaza at every level, for the liberation of Al-Aqsa Mosque, the destination of Prophet Mohamed's Israa, is beseeching you. The Palestinian resistance is the first defense line of Al-Aqsa Mosque, and supporting it is a must; so show Allah goodness from yourselves, and strive with your wealth and your lives in the cause of Allah. The end of the conflict –whether it was long or short– is well-known; as the Holy Quran told us its whole story, from the beginning to the end. Allah Almighty said: ...

Then when the final promise came, (We permitted your enemies) to sadden your faces and to enter the Mosque (of –Jerusalem), as they had entered it the first time, and to destroy with utter destruction all that fell in their hands. (Al Isra: 7). So work hard, strive, and provide your brothers with all forms of support. Do your best; do not view your effort or your giving in the cause of Allah as too little or too much; and then rejoice (At Allah's victory. He gives victory to whom He wills. He is the Almighty, the Merciful.) (Al-Rum: 5)

O Mujahideen in Gaza Strip and the entire beloved Palestine, the people of Ribat and jihad! Rejoice that Allah is with you: ... Indeed, Allah defends those who have believed. (Al—Hajj: 38). Even if some let you down, Allah will not abandon His true, faithful servants; and we are certain that Allah will grant victory to His soldiers; from Him alone is help and support. We rejoice at his promise of clear victory; and you, Allah willing, will be victorious—despite all wounds. It is, by Allah, an entitlement of 'victory or martyrdom'. ... Say: "Do you await for us except one of the two best things (martyrdom or victory); while we await for you that Allah will afflict you with punishment from Himself or at our hands? So wait; indeed we, along with you, are waiting." (Al—Tawbah: 52)

Allah Is the Greatest, and Praise Be to Allah

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