SHAYKH ANWAR'S MESSAGE TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND MUSLIMS IN THE WEST.

All praise is due to Allah and may peace and blessings be upon his messenger Muhammad, his family and his companions.

Peace be upon those who follow the guidance.

To the American people I say:

Don't you remember the good old days when Americans were enjoying the blessings of security and peace? When the word ‘terrorism’ was rarely invoked, and when you were oblivious to say threats? I remember a time when you could purchase an airline ticket from the classified section of your local or college newspaper, and use it even though it was issued to a different name because no one would bother asking you for an ID before boarding a plane No long lines, no elaborate searches, no body scans, no sniffing dogs, no taking off your shoes and emptying your pockets.

You were a nation at ease.

But America thought that it could threaten the lives of others, kill and invade, occupy and plunder, and conspire without bearing the consequences of its action. 9-11 was the answer of the million people who suffer from American aggression. And since then America has not been safe. And nine years after 9-11, 9 years of spending, and nine years of beefing up security, you are still unsafe even in the holiest and most sacred of days to you. Christmas Day.

So do you expect to transgress against others land and yet be spared retribution?

Your decision makes: the politicians, the lobbyists, and the major corporations are the ones gaining from your foreign policy, and you are the one paying the price for it.

Following 9-11, the American people gave George W-Bush, unanimous backing to fight against Mujahideen and gave him a blank check to spend as much as needed to fulfill that objective. The result? He failed, and he failed miserably. So if America failed to defeat the Mujahideen when it gave it’s president unlimited support, how can it win with Obama who is on short leash? If America failed to win when it was at its pinnacle of economic strength, how can it win today with a recession at hand?

The simple answer is: America cannot and will not win. The tables have turned and there is no going back of the worldwide jihad movement. On the eve of 9-11 it was Afghanistan alone. Today it is Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Somalia, North Africa, the Arabian Peninsula, and the list growing.
How many body bags and American families willing to receive? How much more can the US treasury handle? 9-11, the war in Afghanistan and Iraq, and then operations such as that of our brother Umar faruq which could have not cost more than a few thousand dollars end up draining the US treasury billions of dollars in order to give Americans false sense of security, for how long can the US survive this war of attrition? What benefit is it to the American people to suffer for the sake of the Saud family and the Gulf monarch?

Our brother Umar al'faruq 'Abdul mutallib, has succeeded in breaking through the security system that have cost the US government alone, over 40 billion dollars since 9-11.

Obama has promised that his administration would be one of transparency. But he has not fulfilled his promise. His administration, tried to portray the operation of brother Nidal Hassan, as an individual act of violence from an estranged individual act of violence from an estranged individual. The administration practiced a control on the leak of information concerning of the operation in order to cushion the reaction of the American public individual. Until this moment the administration is refusing to release the email exchange between myself and Nidal. And after the operation of our brother 'Umar' al faruq the initial comments coming from the administration were looking the same, another attempt at covering up the truth. But Al-Qa'idah cutoff Obama from deceiving the world again, by issuing their statement claiming responsibility for the operation.

However, we are transparent and open in proclaiming our messages to the world. Our objective is to bring back Islam to life. We seek to remove the tyranny and parasitical rules of the Muslims world, and replace them with men of God, who knows the difference between right and wrong, good and evil. We seek to apply the rules of Qur'an and make the word of Allah supreme over all other, and God willing, we will strive to achieve these goals with all what we posses, and we will fight to the last man against whoever stands in our way. We the Muslims, do not have an inherent animosity towards any racial group or ethnicity. We are not against America for just being America, we are against evil, and America as a whole has turned into a nation of evil. What we see from America is the invasion of two Muslim countries, we see Abu Ghraib, Beghram and Guantanamo Bay. We see cruise missiles and cluster bombs, and we have just seen in Yemen the death of 23 children and 17 women. We cannot stand idly in the face of such aggression, and we will fight back and incite others to do the same.

I for one, was born in the US, and lived in the US for 21 years. America was my home. I was a preacher of Islam involved in non-violent Islamic activism. However, with the American invasion of Iraq and continued US aggression against Muslims, I could not reconcile between living in the US and being a Muslim, and I eventually came to the conclusion that jihad against America is binding upon myself, just as it is binding on every other able Muslim.

Nidal Hassan was not recruited by al'Qa'idah ', Nidal Hassan was recruited by American crimes, and this is what America refused to admit. America refuses to admit that it's foreign policies are the reason behind a man like Nidal Hassan, born and raised in the US, turning his guns against American soldiers. And the more crimes America commits, the more Mujahideen will be recruited to fight against it.

The operation of our brother Umar al'faruq Abdul mutallib was in retaliation to the American cruise missiles and cluster bombs that killed women and children in Yemen.
It is true that we are facing the Arsenal of the greatest army on earth with our simple modest means, but victory is on our side because there is a different between us and you. We are fighting for a noble cause. We are fighting for God and you are fighting for worldly gain. We are fighting for justice because we are depending ourselves and our families and you are fighting for imperialistic goals. We are fighting for truth and justice and you are fighting for oppression. You have your B52s, your apaches, your Abrams, and your cruise missiles and we have small arms and simple improvised explosive Devices, but we have men who are dedicated and sincere, with heart of lions.

And blessed are the Meek, for they shall inherit the world.

Americans need to stop looking at themselves from their own lens look at themselves from the lens of the world. They will then see the ugly face of America. America may be obstinate in believing that the animosity of a few million Muslims wouldn't really harm them. They will say we have the most powerful army in the world. But don't you think that such a belief is a bit outdated? Don't you think that such belief was more suitable to days of patriotism that swept over America following 9-11 than it is now, with the American army admitting it's inability, and the American economy going through intensive care? But imperial hubris is leading America to its fate. A war of attrition. A continuous hemorrhage that would end with the fall and splintering of the United States of America.

If George W. Bush is remembered by getting America stuck in Afghanistan and Iraq, it's looking like Obama wants to be remembered as the president who got American stuck in Yemen. Obama has already started his war on Yemen by the aerial bombing of Abyan and shabwa. By doing that, he has waged a publicity campaign for the Mujahideen in Yemen, and within days accomplished for them to work of years. As the popularity Mujahideen in Yemen skyrocketed, the popularity of Obama in America plummeted.

The corrupt Yemeni government officials and some of the tribal Chiefs who claims to be your allies are having a ball these days. The world being passed around among them in that this is the time to extort the gullible American. Your politicians, military and intelligence officers are being milked for millions. They are giving you big promises and handling you big bills. Welcome to the world of Yemeni politicians.

I would like to close my message to you with an invitation to Islam. We were all created by God on this earth to worship him, and then after death it is either paradise or Hellfire for eternity. So the matter is not one to take lightly. It is your future. I invite you to read the book of Allah the Qur'an. You do not have to take anyone's words for it, decide for yourself whether it is the truth or not.

To the Muslims in America I have to say :How can your conscience allow you to live in peaceful coexistence with a nation that is responsible for the trynny and crimes against your own brothers and sisters? How can you have your loyalty to a government that is leading the war against Islam and Muslims? The Muslims community in America has been witnessing a gradual erosion and decline in core Islamic principles, so today many of you scholars and Islamic organization are openly approving of Muslim serving in the US army to kill Muslims, joining the FBI to spy against Muslims, and are standing between you and your duty of Jihad. Slowly but surely, your situation is becoming similar to that of the embattled Muslim community of Spain, after the fall of Granada.
Muslim of the West : take heed and learn from the lessons of history. There are ominous clouds gathering in your horizon. Yesterday, America was a land of slavery, segregation, lynching and klu klutz Klan. And tomorrow it will be the land of religious discrimination and concentrate camps.

Do not deceived by the promise of preserving your right from a government that is right now killing your own brothers and sisters. Today, with the war between muslims and the West escalating, you can not count on the message of solidarity you may get from a civil group or a political party, or the word of support you hear from a kind neighbor or a nice co-worker. The west will eventually turn against its Muslim citizens.

Hence, my advice to you is this : you have two choices : either hijra or jihad. You either leave or you fight. You leave and live among Muslims or you stay behind and fight with your hand, your wealth and your word. I specifically invite the youth to either fight in the West, or join their brothers in the front of Jihad. Afghanistan, Iraq, and Somalia. I invite them to join the new front, Yemen, the base from which the great jihad of the Arabian Peninsula will begin, the base from which the greatest army of Islam will march forth. The messenger of Allah peace be upon him said :"An army of twelve thousands will come out of Aden Abyan and they will give victory to Allah and his messenger and are the best between me and them. "

In closing I pray that Allah guides us to the right and grant us steadfastness on the straight path.

And may peace and blessings be upon his messenger, his family and companions.
(Transcription of Shaikh Anwar Awlaki's message originally sent to the CNN)