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“From the Revolution of the mosques to Al Furqan victory... great march of giving and sacrifice”

“Oh masses of our Palestinian people... O sons of our Arab and Islamic nation...”

“Twenty-two years since the start of the Islamic Resistance Movement Hamas, and our Jihad movement and the Al Qassam Brigades are still standing against the Zionists, their slaves, their accomplices and those who stand behind them. Twenty-two years of persistence, sacrifice, [and] jihad...during which Hamas has provided a unique model for a resistance movement that maintains [its] principles, providing a distinctive addition to the path of Jihad and the Palestinian people.”

“Hamas has translated its slogans into real actions full of force, honesty, [and] loyalty...it came to bear the issue of Jerusalem, Al Aqsa Mosque and Palestine; and fought for the sake of refugees and prisoners. Hamas did not recognize the legitimacy of the occupation on any inch of the Palestinian land. It is still advancing towards the inevitability of God's promise of victory despite the unjust siege, the war, and the Zionist schemes.”

“Al-Qassam Brigades - the military wing of the movement - was the spearhead of Jihad and resistance in the land of Palestine. In twenty-two years, the Brigades have lost 1780 martyrs.”

“...The resistance path began with stone and knife, and then...to bullets and martyrdom operations. After that, the Brigades began to manufacture arms locally until it had the Qassam rockets. The first Intifada began from mosques in 1987 and endured in the last war on Gaza in January.”

“We...in [the] Al-Qassam Brigades stress:”

“1) The Liberation of Palestine is our goal, the resistance is our means, our capital is Jerusalem, and refugees are our people. We obligate to their Right of return, and we [are] obligated to our detainees of freedom and liberation and that is a top priority for us. On these we cannot compromise.”

“2) Our resistance was launched in response to the occupation. The only language that the Zionist enemy understands is the language of resistance. Therefore we are involved in resistance, the confrontation is long, and we promise our people to be the vanguard of the nation in confronting the Zionist project and its traitors on the land of Palestine.”