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## ***FACT SHEET: AMERICA'S ENEMIES ARE LISTENING TO THE DEBATE***

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America's enemies are listening to this week's debate in the House of Representatives. Our enemies follow our actions and public sentiment through Arab media sources, as well as mainstream American media outlets. By sending a vote of no confidence to the Commander in Chief, American military commanders, and United States troops, House Democrats are offering comfort to America's enemies.

### **NEWLY-RELEASED MESSAGE FROM AL-QAEDA'S NUMBER TWO SPEAKS DIRECTLY TO DEMOCRATIC REPRESENTATIVES**

"As for the Democrats in America, I tell them:

"The people chose you due to your opposition to Bush's policy in Iraq, but it appears that you are marching with him to the same abyss, and it appears that you will take part with him in the defeat and certain failure, with God's permission. And the American people shall discover that you are all one side of the same coin of tyranny, criminality and failure; that failure which – by the grace of God – has neutralized the endeavors of the traitors who entered Kabul and Baghdad on the backs of American tanks, and has dashed their hopes as they see the Mujahideen come closer and closer to victory, which has led them to urgently appeal to America for help and implore it to continue to occupy their lands and raise the banners of the Cross over their heads.

"These traitors in Iraq and Afghanistan must face their inevitable fate, and face up to the inescapable facts. America – which was transformed from the 'Great Satan' into the 'Closest Ally' – is about to depart and abandon them, just as it abandoned their like in Vietnam.

"If the Mujahideen have – by the grace of God – broken the back of America, will its agents hold heir own against them in the absence of America? And if tanks and planes were of no help to America, what, for the traitors, will take the place of the foreign aid and backing?

"As for the states which colluded with the Crusaders in their invasion of Iraq and Afghanistan, they must reap their bitter harvest, as it has become clear to the Muslim Ummah the extent of the hypocrisy and deceit which they repeated and the extent of the treachery they committed as they stabbed the Muslim Ummah in its back in pursuit of cheap booty and illegitimate earnings, and so incurred Divine punishment. The Exalted says, '*Verily, Allah does not allow the deeds of those who make mischief to prosper.*'

“And these countries must know that America doesn't thank anyone for serving it, and there is a lesson for them in the fate of the Shah and final days of Arafat.

“Everyone who participated with the Americans in their Crusade, whether hirelings, religion-traders or rulers, must be aware that they won't be facing the lions of Jihad in Afghanistan and Iraq only, but are about to face – with Allah's permission – a Muslim Ummah revitalized by Jihad, and a Muslim Ummah angry and flaming with rage after it was shown their betrayals and crimes.”

*(Transcript from Audio Speech by Dr. Aymah al-Zawahiri, The SITE Institute; February 12, 2007)*

### **ARAB MEDIA OUTLETS REPORT THAT AMERICANS ARE INCREASINGLY DISSATISFIED WITH PRESIDENT BUSH'S "UNWISE" DECISIONS**

“Defending his recently announced unwise decision to send a few thousands additional troops to fight in Iraq, the American President George W. Bush made a rather ironic statement at a press conference recently...Shortly after the American President announced his plan to send 21,000 new American soldiers to Iraq, a poll showed that 61 percent oppose the idea...

“...The Republican advocates for sending additional troops to Iraq have ruined their plan with horrible timing, increasing dissatisfaction among Americans and dwindling international support, specially that the current forces haven't been able so far to quell the intensifying violence going on in Iraq, on the contrary, as experts suggest, they provided 'insurgents' with every reason to carry on with their attacks.

“Yesterday, seven Senate Republicans launched a new wave of criticism against their own leaders and Democrats for blocking the debate on the resolution to oppose President Bush's troop surge plan.”

*(Global Mobilization by the U.S. to Protect the Puppet Iraqi Government not Iraqis, AlJazeera Magazine; February 8, 2007)*

### **ARAB MEDIA OUTLETS POST "OPEN LETTERS" TO THE "RESISTANCE" IN IRAQ**

“To all organizations, fronts, and resistance movements operating in Iraq: warm nationalist greetings...

“...It is always of great benefit to learn from the experience of the past. Let us learn the lessons of history and develop plans that can be executed quickly.

“There are numerous examples of national resistance movements against foreign occupiers, collaborators and insiders who side with the occupier and sell themselves, their countries and their own peoples out. This is what we see in Iraq today, Let's learn from those examples.

“The First model of national armed resistance is that of the Vietnamese against American occupation during the 1960s.

“Second is the 50-year old Palestinian struggle against Israeli occupation. The successes and failures of these two resistance movements are worthy of study; the lessons learned could form the basis of a successful resistance against the foreign occupier and clients of Iran who today hold power in Iraq...

“The Vietnamese resistance (the Vietcong) comprised all nationalists who had taken up arms against America's occupation. Organizationally and tactically, the Vietcong had a unique strategy based on

uniting civilian activities, guerilla attacks and formal military maneuvers into one front, dragging the U.S. forces into what is known in the military as "unconventional exchanges."

"...U.S. forces were unable to eradicate the Vietnamese resistance and were forced to withdraw in a defeat that was much worse psychologically than militarily. The U.S. left Vietnam licking its wounds and for many years later, the soldiers who took part in the war continued to pay a hefty price..."

*(Call on Iraqi Resistance: Learn from History; AlJazeera Magazine; February 9, 2007)*

### **ALJAZEERA MAGAZINE PREDICTS A FAILED MISSION IN IRAQ**

"While some believe that the decision of the U.S. President, George W. Bush, to send extra 21,500 U.S. forces to Iraq to pacify Baghdad will succeed, many observers believe it won't.

"Experts say that the recent wave of attacks in Iraq, specially the latest car bombings in Baghdad came as a swift reminder of the challenges faced by U.S. and Iraqi troops.

"Also the latest crash of a U.S. military helicopter, which was later found to have been shot down by the Iraqi resistance raised new fears that the resistance movements and "insurgency" in Iraq have developed new tactics, and probably acquired new, more advanced and sophisticated weapons to fight their enemy; i.e. the U.S.

"But many analysts agree with those in the Congress who see Gen. David H. Petraeus, who has just replaced Gen. George W. Casey Jr., the embattled commander of occupation forces in Iraq, as the 'last best hope' for change in Iraq, specially that the President's decision of sending additional 21,500 U.S. troops to the battlefield as well as recent operations said to be aimed at restoring peace to the Iraqi capital, are unlikely to produce any fruitful results.

"While the U.S. Army prepares for the new strategies that will be enacted, based on the recent troop surge in Baghdad, Robert Gates, the Defence Secretary, on the other hand seems preparing for failure, stated an editorial on *Times Online*."

*(U.S. Poised for Iraq Failure, AlJazeera Magazine; February 11, 2007)*

### **THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT CLAIMS AL JAZEERA SATELLITE CHANNEL "CONTRIBUTING TO THE SPREAD OF DEATH"**

"The Iraqi government has accused Al Jazeera satellite channel of 'contributing to the spread of death and destruction' through its news coverage of the events in Iraq. This comes two years following the closure of the channel's office in Baghdad.

"In a statement, the Iraqi cabinet said that, 'Al Jazeera channel continue to adopt a clear and blatant hostile position towards the Iraqi public, contributing to the spread of death and destruction on Iraq's noble land through its adoption of an antagonistic project that is obviously against Iraq and its people'...

"...The Iraqi government believes that, 'Al Jazeera channel aired programs through which it tried to spread confusion and distort facts, in addition to diverting international public opinion away from the catastrophic crimes committed by the death squads and the rampant destruction and organized terrorism on Iraqi land'...

“...According to the head of the national media center of the cabinet’s secretariat, ‘Al Jazeera adopts a blatantly antagonistic position against Iraq’s people and is a tool for spreading discord among the sons of one nation. It is a means of [spreading] killing, death and destruction.’ As related by Agence France-Press.”

*(Iraqi Government: Al Jazeera Channel to the Spread of Death; Asharq Alawsat; February 8, 2007)*

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