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Presidency of the Republic
Intelligence Service

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In The Name of God the Most Merciful, Most Compassionate

Secret letter

And Urgent

From: Intelligence

To: Djibouti

Reference: (SATTS D1)/4/2/15

Date: 06 September 2001

In reference to your letter number 38 on 25 August 2001(.) Please follow up the subject and provide us with the information you gathered about it (.) Send it by mail and not through encrypted message.

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Signature: (TC: Signature)

Title: Director of the 1st Department

Date: 06 September 2001

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In The Name of God, the Most Merciful, Most Compassionate

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Ambassade De La Republique D'Irak

Embassy of the Republic of Iraq

In Djibouti

P.O Box 1983

2nd Information Analysis and Researches Department

Reference: 1/2/153

Date: 25 October 2001

To: 2nd Information Analysis and Researches Department

Subject: Threatening messages and Muslims' activities

In reference to your telegram 15 on 06 September 2001

1. What we told you is not a high-level secret as the Djiboutian Security Forces arrested many people especially Muslims and from Al-Tabligh and Al-Da'wah Group, as the arrested from them are around 12 people, then they were released for not proving anything against them. In addition, this news that spread between people, should not go through ciphers in order not be snooped. Additionally, this news should not lose its importance in the time the country lived bad situation because of the increase of indignation and the public resentment.
2. In context with this, I knew from the Libyan Charge D'affaires concerning the Muslims' activity about the existence of a cell from Al-Tabligh and Al-Da'wah Movements. Most of them are Arabs; it occupied 'Uthman Bin 'Affan Mosque in 26th Street Headquarters; they are two Algerians, two Lebanese, Sudani, and the head (Amir) of the group called Ahmad Tahir 'Umar, a merchant and who is Djiboutian nationality.
3. Also, the aforementioned told me that Tripoli is following up on the movements of Muslims especially the Libyans, and an officer from the Libyan Intelligence came for this issue and stayed for nearly two weeks here after his return from Mogadishu and Somali Land because of the existence of a large number of them in Somali Land.
4. I questioned the Libyan Consul about the same subject in the excuse of existence of Iraqi Muslims in Somali Land to not irritate him. He answered that Muslims have a camp in Ber'u City in Somali Land, it is the second city after Hargeysa, and they do professional training and possess new devices and equipment for different kinds of forgery documents. They are from different Arab nationalities (Syrians, Saudis, Sudanese, Egyptians, Yemenis and Libyans) and the number of Libyans is around 60 people. The Head of group that called (Amir) Ibrahim Hasan Sultan (Abu Sulayman) from Al-Jihad Organization, related to Al-Qa'ida...
...Organization for Osama Bin Laden. He mentioned there is no Iraqi between them.

For acknowledgment
Best regards

(TC: Signature)
Director of 2nd Information Analysis and Researches Department

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**Presidency of the Republic
Intelligence Service**

To: The General Director of the 4th Directorate
Subject: Information

Please be acknowledged on the following information that came to us from Djibouti Station:

1. Messages, written in Arabic and French languages, signed by Osama Bin Laden, had been delivered to more than one foreign company in Djibouti, Indian Chinese Bank that Managed by Moroccan Jewish and (Shell and Total) Companies. Whom were threatened with explosions, warning and requesting them to stop any co-operation with Americans or it will execute its threats at the end of August.
2. Those threats raised the authorities' fears and it made fortifications and intensified observation in the port.
3. The French troops in Djibouti took strict security precautions around the French Military Hospital, which received those injured from the USS Cole Destroyer incident and on its air and naval bases, and the American Embassy made invincible fortifications around its building.
4. The Djiboutian Government feel anxious for that, because this threat will prevent foreign investors and capital which were expected to enter the country after the signing the last peace treaty. Djiboutian Intelligence alluded that the Arab youth in the country stand behind these letters.

For acknowledgement ... Best regards

(TC Signature)

Director 1st Department

01 September 2001

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Letter form
Cipher

From: Djibouti

To: 2nd Section/4th Division/1st Department/4th Directorate

Reference: 38

Date: 25 August 2001

Threatening messages in Arabic and translated into French were sent and signed by (Osama Bin Laden) to more than one foreign company here including Indian Chinese Bank, which managed by French Jewish from Moroccan origins (Anklada) and to Shell and Total Companies, in which some members affiliated with Mosad (Israeli Intelligence) are working in. They are requesting those companies to stop co-operation with Americans. In addition, they threatened to explode them in the end of the current month August. This frightened the authorities, and it made fortifications and detailed observation for the port. The French troops took severe security precautions around the French Military Hospital, which received the Cole Destroyer injured people previously and on the air and naval bases. The American Embassy made invincible fortifications. Djiboutian Intelligence noticed that the letters written inside Djibouti and done by Arab youth in an attempt to minimize worries. The government feels worry, since this will prevent the foreign investors and the capital inflow from coming after the signature of the last peace treaty.

Signature: (TC Signature)

Title: Cipher of the 1st Directorate

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**Ministry of Foreign Affairs
The Minister's Office
(Communication)**

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Receipt time:

Top secret and urgent telegram

From Iraq In Djibouti

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Threatening letters in Arabic and signed by Osama Bin Laden were sent to more than one foreign company and bank in Djibouti, in which some Jewish members work in, and requested that they stop co-operating with the Americans or it will be exposed for explosions. This caused panic and horror for the authorities that took severe security procedures around the port, the French Forces took the same procedure around its bases, and troops and the American Embassy made invincible fortifications. End.

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