

In the Name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful

And as to what follows: My dear sheikh, may God bless you, straighten your and our steps on the right path, and grant you the good followers who would not be afraid of the blame of the blamers for the sake of God.

I am your tormented brother Abu Fawwaz al-Shami. I was in Iraq and this is by my choice. When I went there, I saw things that weaken my faith, so I relapsed because I imagined that if I went to Iraq, I would find the reasons that would help me to carry out a martyrdom operation. I decided to return to the Sham [Syria], and indeed I returned, but without a memo. I went to the brothers in the Wilayat al-Barakah and told them my story, and they understood my situation and attached me to a mortar battalion. I was surprised after a while that they could not register my name, so my relapse increased. And for your information, God has granted me good money, and even my weapon is from my own money.

I'm tired of knocking on doors in order to find a solution to my problem. By God, who sent Muhammad with the truth, that I long for the ribat, and if I wanted to desert, I have enough money to do so, but I cannot do that, thanks to God alone. I hope to be in a place where God loves to see me, and I am ready to prove it.

My dear Sheikh, Our Prophet, may God's blessings and peace be upon him, said: 'Do not help Satan against your brother.' I have sold my house and Satan has started plotting against me and I am afraid that I will find myself among the polytheists and lose my world and the Hereafter. For me, this option has become better for me than being sent back to Iraq.

My Sheikh, I am ready to prove my words and join the hottest fronts in the Sham, so I ask you, by God, to take my words and measure them in the scale of truth and save me from the conspiracies of the demons of the jinn and men, knowing that I am in the last [illegible]. And I ask God that my guidance be on your hands, knowing that my emir in Iraq completely rejects my transfer [to Syria], and God is the Helper.

The complainant, Abu Fawwaz al-Shami

Your brother, the tormented one

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[And the following sentence reads:] He should [submit his complaint] at the Central Grievances Office

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