



## **Message from Taliban Leader Mullah Omar December 17, 2007**

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"In the name of Allah who is the most kind the most merciful.

Respected Muslims sisters and brothers,

First of all we congratulate you and may Allah swap your happy days in invaders' defeat and Muslims' victory, amen.

Respected, Eid ul Asher from one side is the day of pleasures, brotherhood and sympathy and advises Muslims to have devotion in the way of Allah. From another side, people wear new clothes, meet friends, applaud each other, eat delicious food and pilgrims' huge gathering refreshes sympathy, brotherhood and tells Muslims to join hands in critical situations. Eid Ul azha sacrifice tells us to devote yourselves in the way of Allah and help widows, orphans and poor Muslims and give them share from your devoted sheep and oxen, because it increases brotherhood and pity among Muslims' community, so we should try our best to achieve these great goals. Now we want to point out some expressions about Eid Ul Azha:

1) Everybody knows that the U.S. wars not only destabilized invaded countries but also European and Americans countries too. International organizations, world nations and especially Muslims countries should help Afghanistan and Iraqi civilians drive out western forces and make their governments in their own countries. Those countries which have troops in Afghanistan must respect their public feelings and not destroy their economy and good ties with other countries for the interests of America.

2) It is written in history that in the world no one has won battle ground from the Afghan nation and Mujahedeen are getting stronger and stronger as the days pass. Invaders after several defeats cannot control Musa Kala district (one of hundreds of districts) on one week, just they seized the center and some shops and were very happy as they were happy when they invaded Afghanistan six years ago. No progress has been made in six years of invasion and it is the clear weakness of the enemy and Allah may weaken them more. Mujahedeen must be clever before the enemies' clever acts and cheats and not allow them to make cleavage among Afghans under the name of language and nation as they had separated groups in Mujahedeen lines after the Soviet fall in Afghanistan.

3) Enemies of Islam and our country are trying to reveal our fatalities, damages, disunity, weakness and hide outs and they have started a huge preaching plan against us, because they have failed and have made no satisfactory progress in political, military and other fields, so they have spread useless propaganda and incorrect Taliban fatalities to deceive those countries which have troops in Afghanistan under US command. But this is all baseless propaganda and our last destination will be victory in Afghanistan.

4) It is clear reality that invaders will never withdraw their forces because if they want to withdraw then what was the need they invaded Afghanistan. Mujahedeen must make warm and increase their attacks, anti enemy activities and keep the enemy under pressure to force them to withdraw their forces. We have taken precautionary measures and prepared facilities for Mujahedeen in cold, cool and normal areas in the country. Cleavage in the lines of the allied enemy, public hate, destabilized departments and indiscipline give an alarm of victory to us. Finally, we appeal to Muslims to help their Mujahedeen brothers against the international invader economically. Put aside personal interest and desire of chair. Now you know both religion and country are in danger, you follow the way of good and religious leaders and leave the way of bad and dishonest and do Jihad.”

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