IR Leader sends congrats message to Nasrallah - 17 /Aug/ 2006

Islamic Revolution Leader Ayatollah Sayed Ali Khamenei in a congratualtory message to Sayed Hassan Nasrallah, Secretary General of the Lebanese Islamic Resistance Movement Hezbollah, Wednesday felicitated him, Hezbollah members and the Lebanese nation over the splendid victory they achieved against the Zionist regime's army in the recent Lebanon-Israel war.

The text of the message is as follows:

In the name of Allah, The Merciful, the Compassionate
Dear Mujahid brother,
Sayed Hassan Nasrallah,
May Allah prolong your life, dignity and well-being

"Peace unto you for that ye persevered in patience" (The Thunder, 24)

Peace be upon you and other brothers and upon every Hezbollah Mujahid

What you bestowed the Islamic umma by your unparalleled jihad and resistance surpasses my expression. Your valiant and innocent jihad that brought you the Devine assistance, proved once more that modern and lethal weapons go ineffective versus faith, patience and pure essence and that a nation that enjoys faith and jihad never falls to oppressive powers.

Your victory was Islam's. You managed to prove, under the auspices of Allah's will and might, that tools, weapons, planes, warships and tanks fail to fetch military superiority, rather, it is the power of faith, jihad, sacrifice in addition to prudence that may do so. You imposed your military superiority over the Zionist regime, consolidated your spiritual dominance in regional and international extent, derided the Zionist army's phony invincibility and splendor and portrayed the usurper regime's fragility.

You granted dignity to Arab nations and displayed their potentialities, smothered for decades by imperialist propaganda and policies.

What took place offers a Divine proof to all Islamic states and nations, especially in the Middle East region. You once more translated the illuminate words of Quran "There has already been for you a Sign in the two armies that met (in combat): One was fighting in the cause of Allah, the other resisting Allah. These saw with their own eyes Twice their number. But Allah doth support with His aid whom He pleaseth. In this is a warning for such as have eyes to see" (The House of Imran, 13).

Those who have eye to see at present include the million-strong people and zealous and faithful youth in the regional countries, the honest politicians as well as independent and prudent authorities and leaders.

Your innocent jihad divulged the enemy and revealed its true face. The callous carnage of civilian people, shedding blood of innocent children and defenseless women, the Qana incident and many similar examples, demolishing of thousands houses and making thousands families displayed, destruction of infrastructure in a large part of Lebanon, and these kinds of atrocities revealed the true face of the American authorities and certain western states in addition to the ugly and disgraced face of the Zionist regime.

It revealed how much their double-face slogans about human rights, freedom and democracy are spiked with lie,

deceit and meanness. It revealed what tragedies may happen to the human community if countries' authorities are alien to mercy, compassion, logic and sincerity. The recent remarks of the American President in which he regarded the Zionist regime's crimes of defensive nature as well as his subsequent, risible claims that Israel won the Lebanese war depicted in the eyes of the public a clear example of such merciless, vicious and illogical conduct.

And now Lebanon ... and what will explain to you what is Lebanon. Lebanon shined thank to its own people's diligence and bravery. When raiding Lebanon, the enemy took it for granted but was wrong that it was targeting the weakest country in the region, launching its desired Middle East delusive scheme.

The enemy, to wit America and Israel, ignored the Lebanese nation's patience, prudence, and prowess. It ignored the might lied in the robust arm of Lebanon. It ignored the Divine law that "How oft, by Allah's will, Hath a small force vanquished a big one? Allah is with those who steadfastly persevere" (The Cow, 249).

The Lebanese nation, its valiant youth and it circumspect politicians by their hard slap made the enemy quit ignorance.

The enemy is now bent on cutting that effective and calibered arm. It is bent on inciting discord between politicians. It is bent on spreading virus of impatience and doubt among people. Every one must be vigilant towards such a poisoning.

Under the auspices of Allah's will and power you will succeed to thwart their ploys and achieve the next victory, God willing. The jihad which you have before in this new field is of significance like your devoted jihad in the military field and this time patience, reliance on God, pure essence and prudence prove fateful.

I greet you and other brothers and brave men of jihad and kiss your arms.

Sayed Ali Khamenei

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