

# THE THREAT TO OUR CITIES AND OUR ASSETS FROM AL-QAEDA AND ITS AFFILIATES IN LATE 2011

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## Al-Qaeda's Global Jihad

- Franchises remain unchanged
- Death of bin Laden effect?
- Arab Revolutions effect?
- Strategy on track



## Al-Qaeda is a religious organisation with a global strategy. Everything comes from the holy books.

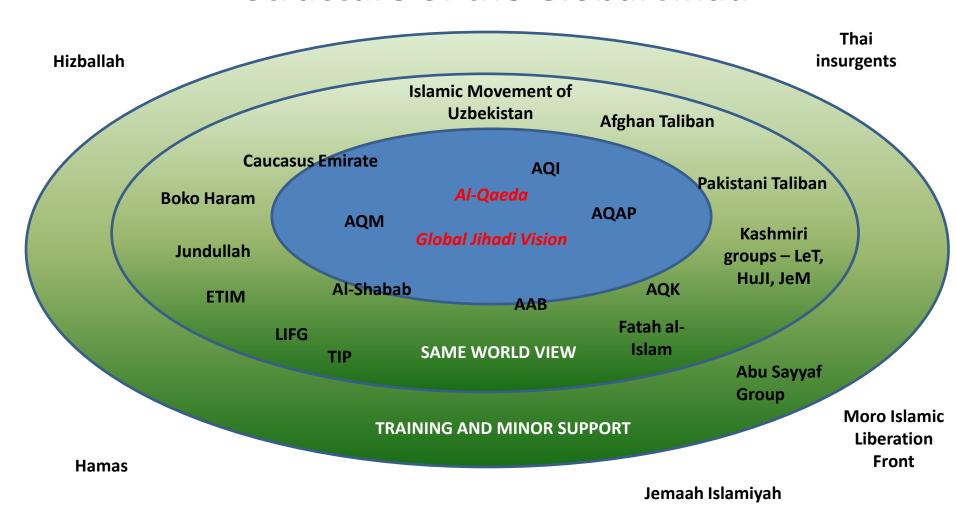


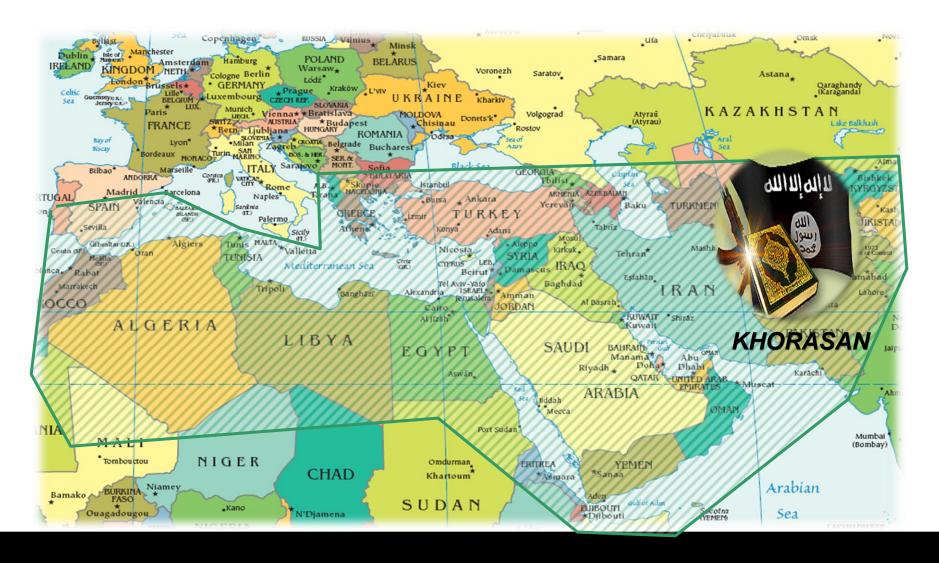
#### A four-phase strategy over 28 years, outlined in 1999:

Awakening (al-Sahwa)	Mobilisation (al-Nafeer)	Liberation (al-Tahreer)	Caliphate (al-Khilafa)
2001 – 2008	2008 – 2015	2015 – 2022	2022 – 2029
Creation of awareness of need for Jihad	Raising of forces of liberation against corrupt regimes	Dissolution of corrupt regimes	Unification of liberated states



#### Structure of the Global Jihad





THE ISLAMIC CALIPHATE – SHADING SHOWS APPROXIMATE EXTENT





### **Abdullah Azzam Brigades**



## **AQ Central/Other**





## **Effect of Revolutions on Strategy**

- Don't harm the revolutions
- ...but exploit Egypt, Is-Pal
- Intervene in vulnerable states
- Change the narrative
- ...which makes leadership vulnerable
- More autonomy for AQAP, AAB
- Other business as usual





#### **Prospects for 2011**

- Another major plot still likely in 2011 (US, Scandinavia, France, UK etc)
- Insurgencies, Pakistan/US
- Focus on aviation
- Economic damage will be a key objective
- Oil: Hormuz, Bab el Mandeb, Saudi pipelines
- ME rulers
- Support to lone wolves



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