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INTRODUCTION

The al-Qaeda Messaging/Attacks Timeline covers statements and other significant public and semi-public communications by al-Qaeda and its affiliates. The timeline also covers significant attacks by al-Qaeda and its affiliates. All attacks appear in bold type.

This version covers the period from January 2003 to 19 August 2003. The prior period from 29 December 1992 to the end of 2002 is available in "The al-Qaeda Threat: An Analytical Guide to al-Qaeda's Tactics & Targets" by Ben Venzke and Aimee Ibrahim (ISBN 0966543734 - <http://www.intelcenter.com/alqaedathreat>).

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| January 2003 | Osama bin Laden Statement "Islamic Action Between Causes of Consensus and Advocates of Disagreement" |
| January 2003 | Ayman al-Zawahiri Book on pillars of allegiance and disavowal in Islam |
| January 2003 | Da'wah and Jihad Emir Abu Usamah al-Kuwaiti Interview, Threatens Attacks in Kuwait al-Sharq al-Awsat |
| January 2003 (est.) | Ayman al-Zawahiri Article "Until When Will We Continue To Ask These Questions?" |
| 6 January 2003 | Ayman al-Zawahiri Letter to Montasser al-Zayat asking him not to doubt the purpose of 9-11 attacks |
| February 2003 | Osama bin Laden Audio Tape |
| February 2003 | Abu Mohammad al-Ablaj First email to al-Majallah |
| 11 February 2003 | Osama bin Laden Audio Tape |
| 19 February 2003 | Sulaiman Abu Ghaith Article calling for jihad support, warns about pending war in Iraq |
| March 2003 | Saif al-Adel Article "Message to our People in Iraq and the Gulf Specifically, and to Our Islamic Ummah in General: The Islamic Resistance Against the American Invasion of Qandahar and Lessons Learned |
| March 2003 | Saif al-Adel Article "American Commandos Operations in Afghanistan" |

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| March 2003 | Thabit bin Qays Interview, reemergence of al-Neda al-Sharq al-Awsat |
| 12 March 2003 | Um Osama Interview, announces female martyrdom units |
| 13 March 2003 | Sulaiman Abu Ghaith Article "Divine Tests on the Path of Jihad" |
| April 2003 | Osama bin Laden Audio Tape, calls for martyrdom operations |
| 3 April 2003 | Al-Qaeda Statement concerning US involvement with Afghanistan and Iraq |
| 7 April 2003 | Abu Mohammed al-Ablaj Email to al-Majallah stating that the group had finished preparations to attack the Saudi regime and the rear of the US Army |
| 10 May 2003 | Abu Mohammed al-Ablaj Email to al-Majallah stating recent arrests in Saudi Arabia did not derail attack, plans moving forward |
| 10-11 May 2003 | Abu Mohammed al-Ablaj Email interview with al-Majallah, threatens to execute attacks in Gulf countries, says suicide bombers ready |
| 12 May 2003 | Vehicular Bombing Chechen Nadterechnyy District Administration Building Znamenskoye, Chechnya |
| 12/13 May 2003 | Vehicular Bombings Western Housing Compounds Riyadh, Saudi Arabia |
| 14 May 2003 | Assassination, Suicide Bombing Chechen Administration leader Akhmad Kadyrov Iliskhan, Chechnya |

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| 16 May 2003 | Suicide Bombings Places of Gathering Casablanca, Morocco |
| 21 May 2003 | Ayman al-Zawahiri Audio Tape, threatens Arab countries cooperating with US |
| 25 May 2003 | Abu Mohammed al-Ablaj Interview, threatens attacks against US al-Majallah |
| 29 May 2003 | Unknown al-Qaeda Members Statement, threatens attacks against Saudi royal family |
| 21 June 2003 | Abu Haris Abdul Hakim Video, claims Mombasa & Riyadh attacks |
| 22 June 2003 | Abu Mohammed al-Ablaj Interview, discusses al-Qaeda targeting and strategy al-Majallah |
| 5 July 2003 | Suicide Bombings Krylya Open-Air Rock Festival Tushino Airfield, Russia |
| 19 July 2003 | Mohammed bin Ahmad al-Salim Book "Thirty-Nine Ways for Serving Jihad and the Mujahideen" |
| 23 July 2003 | Abdullah bin Nasser al-Rashid Book "Invalidating the Objections to the Riyadh Bombings: Destroying the Objections of al-Islam al-Youm on the Attack of the 11 th of Rabi al-Awal" |
| 1 August 2003 | Vehicular Bombing Russian Military Hospital Mozdok, Russia |
| 3 August 2003 | Ayman al-Zawahiri Audio Tape, concerning al-Qaeda prisoners |
| 5 August 2003 | Vehicular Bombing JW Marriott Hotel Jakarta Indonesia |

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| 7 August 2003 | Vehicular Bombing Jordanian Embassy Baghdad, Iraq |
| 9 August 2003 | Abu Mohammed al-Ablaj Statement al-Majallah |
| 18 August 2003 | Abdel Rahman al-Najdi Audio Tape, concerning al-Qaeda efforts in Iraq |
| 19 August 2003 | Vehicular Bombing UN Headquarters Baghdad, Iraq |

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