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Participants:

Ja = Jamil Hamami (Abou Hamza)

Mo = Mohamed Elmezain

Abbreviations:

<i>Italics</i>	Spoken in Foreign Languages
IA	Inaudible
UI	Unintelligible
PH	Phonetic
[]	Background Conversation / Noise/Translator's comments
SC	Simultaneous conversation

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Mo: Hello.

Ja: Peace be with you.

Mo: Peace and God's mercy.

Ja: How is it going?

Mo: May God bless you.

Ja: May God give you strength.

Mo: ...UI [Laughs] How are you doing, my master?

Ja: May God bless you. How is your health?

Mo: May God greet you and bless you.

Ja: I was forced to call after....., I mean, we lost all hopes and.....er, after we had to stand at the door to al-Aqsa holding rugs and thought we might catch the prayer of the last Friday in Ramadan.

Mo: God's willing.

Ja: God the Almighty's willing. How is your health?

Mo: How are you doing, my master?

Ja: By God, thanks be to God. We are being spoilt. How are you doing?

Mo: Of course, the people of Jerusalem are being spoilt.

Ja: Huh?

Mo: The people of Jerusalem are being spoilt and have abundance.

Ja: Yes, really.

Mo: Hum.

Ja: God's willing. You are like the gate of heavens.

Mo: Hum. How are you doing, Abou Hamza?

Ja: May God bless you. How is your health?

Mo: May God keep you safe.

Ja: My brother, I want to talk about the school dues....er, the one which is due from Hajj Ahmad.

Mo: Yes.

Ja: Hajj Ahmad is saying that he transferred the entire amount of money and we are....er, I mean, stopped because nothing but the sum of 70 has been transferred to us.

Mo: What?

Ja: He is saying, "I transferred over 90 for the school". And when you were at his place, he is saying that he didn't receive papers. We sent to him and to you the *video* tape, we sent to you the engineering report and stuff. So, I don't know why there is this delay and stuff...

Mo: A delay from our end?

Ja: What?

Mo: From our end?

Ja: Yes.

Mo: We are....er. How much did you..., did you receive?

Ja: We received 70.

Mo: Only?

Ja: Only.

Mo: The one which is through us?

Ja: Yes. There is 60 through...., through you.

Mo: Ok.

Ja: 60 and 10 through him which makes it 70.

Mo: That's all that was received?

Ja: That's all that was received, yes. Nothing else was received.

Mo: Ok.

Ja: And, excuse me, I mean.....er, the steel is laying around in the courtyard. The children go and come. God is protecting that....UI not a child is injured or something. Also, we are being delayed because of the concrete we purchased, we owe a debt to them.

Mo: Sheik Jamil, when you came, didn't you tell him that it will cost 90,000?

Ja: Yes.

Mo: I mean, if the sum was completed to be 90,000 it would be complete?

Ja: No. Of course, we expanded out of a necessity which I cannot talk to you about it now. I explained it to Hajj Lotfy, why we expanded. I mean, we won a floor below the ground, a complete floor measuring at 750 meters, 650 meters. This was not factored in. We....., this is not the problem. I mean, we will tap other parties to complete the project. But, at least, I mean, complete for us the sum of money which he paid which is for the first floor.

Mo: See, my brother, on our part....

Ja: Yes.

Mo:we don't have any problem with money transferred from Hajj Ahmad.

Ja: Yes.

Mo: Ok?

Ja: Ok, Ok. May God bless you.

Mo: Yes.

Ja: But we are.....er.

Mo: Yes.

Ja: Go ahead.

Mo: But, other than that, I don't know think that we are ready for this entanglement, not 300,000 or 400,000.

Ja: Excuse me, Abou Ibrahim, it is not an entanglement or nothing. Everybody has forgotten Jerusalem and we don't want to.... Just give us and we will not present any other projects and, that's it, we will retire from all that work. But, it is because we got obligated with people in addition to....

Mo: Sheik....., sheik....., sheik Jamil, fear God and don't make a problem.

Ja: I'm not...., pray on God's prophet.

Mo: Yes.

Ja: What do I want? I don't want to say more than that....

Mo: Yes.

Ja: At least send to us what the Hajj paid. May God compensate you and may God increase your benevolence, my master.

Mo: My master, God's willing, we will not be stingy with you.

Ja: God's willing. May God compensate you. This is what we want.

Mo: God's willing. But as for, "We will retire" and, "We will put our rug at the door to al-Aqsa" [To someone else] Quiet, boy. [To Jamil] "We want to put our rug at the door to al-Aqsa" as if one.....er, you forgot the favor that is between us, sheik Jamil, and we now.....er, we now....er, I mean, devour orphans' money.

Ja: I....er.

Mo: What is that Sheik Jamil? Overcome them by voice before they defeat you.

Ja: I didn't say that.....

Mo: Fear God in us, man.

Ja: I did not say that and....

Mo: And you know us more than anybody else.

Ja: I did not say that. Just....er, I mean, this delay in.....er, in....

Mo: Why didn't call Shukri long time ago and told him that stuff?

- Ja: I called...., you have a representative and I call the representative. It is not right for me to bypass him. But, it is because I spoke with your representative twenty times and he told me, "Ok. I spoke with them". So, I had to call you. I don't want to call Shukri or anyone else. Honestly speaking. And I'm not forgetting the favor which is...., is....er.
- Mo: It is not a favor from our side or anything, my brother. We did not do a favor or anything. It will be good if we get out of it even, not indebted or in debt.
- Ja: Because God says, "And do not forget those who did favors to you". But, really, we are stricken in Jerusalem and everybody says, "Jerusalem, Jerusalem" while we are the poorest people in the city of Jerusalem. This is a reality and he who....er,er, I don't want to say more than that over the *telephone* because the situation is worse than what you think, I mean, in short. As for me, I did not forget the favor that is among us and I will not forget it because....er, God says, "And do not forget those who did favors to you". But....er,er, he whose hands is in water is not the same as he whose hands is in fire, really, I mean. Hajj Lotfy came and....er, his other brother....er, I forgot his name, by God, he came over and he saw....., he saw the site and I believe that the *video* tape we sent about the project should move all emotions with others. You see? This is what I want to say, I mean. And, whether it is Shukri or someone other than him, why is the amount of money late? That's it.
- Mo: What I know is that the amount of money was transferred. That's why....., I mean, Shukri is now asleep.
- Ja: My brother, I'm telling, there have been attempts at our end and here is your representative. 30 plus 30 makes 60 which came through you. This is....er, I mean, confirmed. Then, there is ten the man brought in cash with him, you see? This is the 60, what is left for us is....er, the 70 and what is left for us is 20. So, the man is saying, "I even transferred over 90 for the....er, for the....er, for the matter". We told him, "This is what we received". And, when you were at his place and spoke with Hajj Lotfy at his house and when you said, quoting Hajj Ahmad, that, "I never received a tape or a book or anything". I told him, "No, my man, by God, they got them". And then when he called he said, "Yes, we got it but we didn't watch it yet", you see? This is what I'm saying. But L....er, I mean, I'm talking and I'm speaking with bitterness because the picture is not like you think, really, you see? That's it.
- Mo: God's willing, it will be good, Abou Hamza.
- Ja: God's willing. I mean, when can it be transferred, God's willing?
- Mo: I will speak with Shukri at 11 o'clock or at 12 o'clock. I will find out what have been sent to you and I will have him call you, fine?

Ja: Yes. May God bless you, my master. May God reward you good.

Mo: We are your servants, Abou Hamza.

Ja: I ask God forgiveness. I heard that you're upset.

Mo: I'm very displeased.

Ja: Why?

Mo: Yes, my brother.

Ja:UI.

Mo: Yes, yes, Abou Hamza.

Ja: We defended you fiercely.

Mo: I mean....er, may God reward you good and bless you. And I advise you, Abou Hamza....

Ja: Yes.

Mo: I mean, the charity work robe is different from the political activism robe.

Ja: Anyway, the residents of a city are more knowledgeable about its roads.

Mo: Yes, more knowledgeable about its roads, but we are also not idiots nor are we little children and we know what is happening.

Ja: Fine.

Mo: Yes. That's it. Whatever hat....er, whatever robe you like, we will bless you and we will cologne it for you.

Ja: Thank you, my master.

Mo: You see? But, changing....., changing robes at the end.....er, laundry gets all confused together.

Ja: No, no, no, no, no. I mean, it is not.....

Mo: Things will go up in flames later.

Ja: God's willing. Ok, my master, may God greet you.

Mo: Welcome, Abou Hamza. May God greet you.

Ja: May God bless you.

Mo: Peace be with you.

Ja: Peace be with you.

END OF CALL.