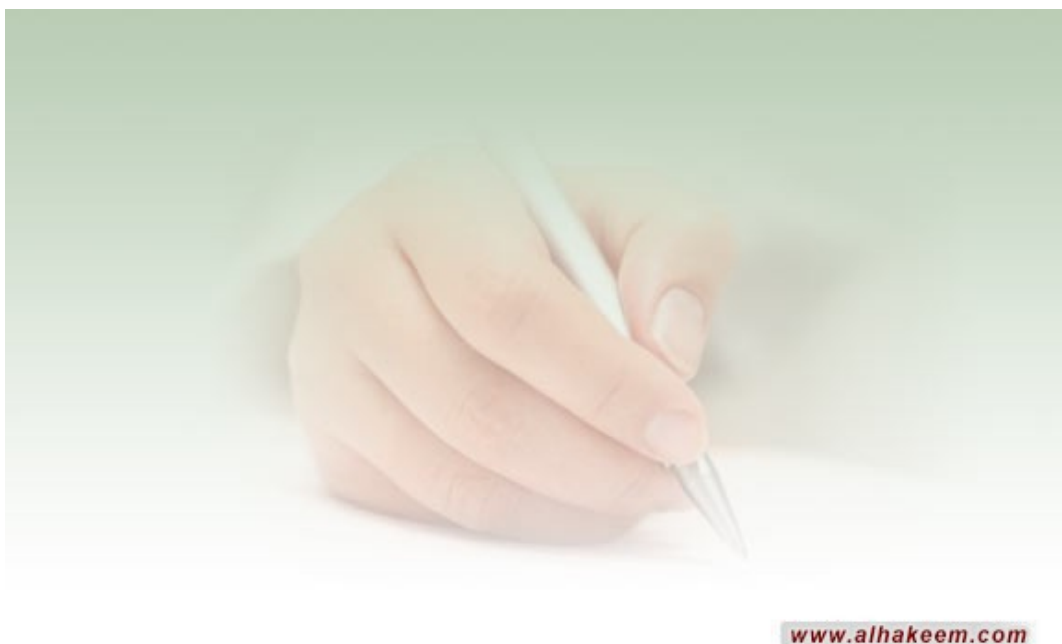


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"Those who do wrong will come to know by what a (great) reverse they will be overturned!"
(Holy Quran 26:227)

The terrorist attacks against the innocent followers of the Ahlul-Bait (peace be upon them) in Iraq have increased recently in various bombings of civilian gatherings in Baghdad and number of governates in Iraq during the Holy month of Ramadan. These terrorist acts have resulted in the martyrdom and wounding of hundreds of civilians, while the international, Islamic and Arabic organizations remain quiet. This confirms that these attacks are part of regional plot that will have dangerous consequences on the security of the regional and of the world.

As we ask Almighty Allah to send His mercy on the souls of the martyrs and to grant the wounded fast recovery. We strongly condemn these savage attacks and emphasize on the following:

Firstly: It is necessary for the Iraqi government and the Judiciary to fulfill their responsibility in bringing the perpetrators to justice and in protecting civilian citizens, especially the followers of the Ahlul-Bait (peace be upon them) as they are the primary target of terrorism.

Secondly: We call the international community, especially the international organizations, to classify such crimes as crimes against humanity, since they are genocides that resulted from hate culture and shedding human blood on religious bases which are violations of the international laws and ethics.

"There is no power save from Allah, the All-High, the All-Great".

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