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The martyrdom of Yahya al-Sinwar, leader of Hamas, marks a significant and painful loss for the Palestinian people and the resistance. Al-Sinwar was a founding figure of Hamas and its security apparatus. He led the al-Qassam Brigades from 2012 to 2017 before taking on the leadership of the movement in 2017. As the mastermind behind the "Al-Aqsa Flood" operation, he commanded the struggle with dignity and defiance from October 7th until the end. Before that, he oversaw the planning of the Great March of Return, reinforcing the steadfastness of the Palestinian cause. Al-Sinwar also made multiple attempts at achieving Palestinian unity, playing a crucial role in the reconciliation talks of 2017, meeting regularly with Palestinian leaders and factions in Gaza. Under his leadership, the al-Qassam Brigades evolved into an offensive force capable of strategic military operations, culminating in the October 7th operation.

Al-Sinwar was an extraordinary leader, recognized for his bold strategic decisions and hands-on leadership in large-scale operations. He was ever-present on the frontlines, embodying the spirit of Sheikh Ahmed Yassin and Abdul Aziz al-Rantisi. He led Hamas with unwavering courage until the moment of his martyrdom, sealing his remarkable life with an end befitting a leader of his stature.

His martyrdom will not bring satisfaction to Netanyahu; the Israeli leader sought to capture al-Sinwar to erase the humiliation Israel faced during the "Al-Aqsa Flood" operation. Yet, even in death, al-Sinwar emerged victorious, ensuring his place among the greatest revolutionary leaders in the history of resistance.

When the Eagle Departs and the Flock Remains

Life teaches us that true heroes do not hide in the depths of the earth; their names rise above it, even after they are gone. Yahya al-Sinwar, Abu Ibrahim, was the courageous eagle who soared high in the skies of battle, descending to earth only to embrace the flames. He didn't hide in a fortified command center far from enemy fire; instead, he placed himself at the heart of the confrontation, just a few hundred meters from the Philadelphia axis, armed with unyielding determination, leading the battle like an eagle commands the sky.



What a man he was, leading until his last breath, orchestrating every detail of the fight while breathing the very air of conflict. Who ordered the rockets that shook Tel Aviv on October 7th? Who is now commanding the battle in eastern Rafah, Jabaliya, and the north? Who is ensuring the security of more than 100 Israeli captives in Gaza? Who maintains the stronghold on internal security? And who sends messages of resilience to the enemy's captives? These questions resounded in our minds, as if Yahya al-Sinwar was present in every corner, on every battlefield, leading with a spirit that defied death.

Al-Sinwar left behind a monumental organizational and military legacy, turning Hamas's structures into bastions of resilience and perpetual action. Today, the al-Qassam Brigades' leadership operates with full confidence and capability, while Hamas's political and security apparatus manage all aspects of life, from politics to social affairs, without any sign of confusion or vacuum. Hamas is no longer merely a movement; it has become a state amid the storm, and every attempt by the enemy to dismantle it is met with stronger and more resilient structures than they ever anticipated.

Yahya al-Sinwar was certain of his mission, and his heart was at peace because he had built a solid foundation—unshakable frameworks and policies driven by a spirit of consensus and unity. Walking his path, retreat was never in his vocabulary, and abandoning his soldiers in the battlefield was never an option. He lived in battle, died a warrior, and left behind a thousand leaders ready to carry the banner with fearless hearts.

With al-Sinwar's martyrdom, we say with full certainty: Gaza will not be left alone.

A thousand new knights will rise, all fighting with clarity and conviction, their eyes fixed on an enemy still drowning in the sea of its own defeats. Those who lost Yahya lost an eagle in the sky, but that eagle left behind a flock that will continue soaring over Gaza, carrying the banner and safeguarding the land.

There is no fear for Gaza with Yahya, and no fear for it after his martyrdom.