

'AFRICOM is Guilty of Murder and Cover-up'

24 Safar 1445H (09 September 2023) – Following the massacre of five young children and their elderly grandmother by AFRICOM in the village of Od-weyn, in the vicinity of El-Lahelay, Islamic Wilaayah of Galguduud, the best response AFRICOM could come up with is a flimsy, irrational story that is mortally wounded by incoherence; a response worthy only of being disregarded merely as a sneer against the intellect and discounted with the disgust it deserves.

Despite independent verification by numerous witnesses and international news organisations of the aerial bombardment carried out by the American crusaders, AFRICOM continues to deny its involvement in a barefaced and shameful attempt to cover up its tracks, casually casting the blame instead on the apostate Somali troops who were themselves acting on the specific orders of their American trainers and advisors. In a press statement released Friday 08 September, AFRICOM said:

"U.S. forces were not onsite for the operation and did not conduct air strikes during or in support of the operation."

Even if we were to hypothetically believe AFRICOM's statement, their narration of events does not absolve them of culpability and criminal liability. AFRICOM commanded the operation, conducted the surveillance and intelligence for it, provided the attack helicopters used, maintained direct air support to the ground troops and ensured co-ordination between aerial and ground units.

The disastrous raid in Od-weyn and the deliberate killing of defenceless women and children is a demonstration of the ethical and moral deficiency of the American crusaders who intentionally murder innocent children in order to compensate for their losses on the battlefield. It is an exhibition not only of the American soldier's conspicuous cowardice, gross incompetency and recklessness, but also AFRICOM's spinelessness and inability to come clean and own up to their blunders.

The house targeted by AFRICOM was located in a remote area and inhabited by a poor pastoral family; a grandmother and her young grandchildren. Nowhere in the vicinity of the house were Al-Shabaab military camps located. Any reasonable and capable military commander could have foreseen the probability of the residents, particularly women and children, being exposed to substantial and unjustifiable risk of death or injury.

With murderous intent, however, AFRICOM deliberately ignored the facts on the ground and consciously chose to disregard the highly probable consequences of their actions, opting instead to pursue the operation with the explicit goal of killing everyone in the house. This constitutes an act of deliberate and premeditated murder of the five young children and their grandmother. AFRICOM is guilty of murder and cover-up and should be charged as such.

By targeting defenceless women and children, AFRICOM has made a grave tactical and a moral error that will continue to haunt them for the rest of their lives. We once again reassure you that the blood of these martyrs will not be forgotten.

Finally, on behalf of the families of the deceased, we reiterate our demands to AFRICOM. It's not worth denying the established facts or employing diversionary tactics to deceive the public. Return the bodies of the young children and their grandmother to their families so that they can be accorded a proper, decent and honourable burial. Do not further add to the sorrow of the grieving families by denying them the opportunity to bid their last farewell to their beloved ones. Return the bodies of:

1. Mus'ab Daahir Ahmed – 3 years old
2. Abdirahman Daahir Ahmed – 4 years old
3. Abdi Mahad Daahir Ahmed – 5 years old
4. Abdiqani Daahir Ahmed – 7 years old
5. Ikhlaas Ahmad – 7 years old
6. Kaaha Takar Warsame - 60 years old

And may peace be upon those who follow the guidance.



وَاللَّهُ الْعَزِيزُ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَلَكِنَّ الْمُنَافِقِينَ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ

“But honour belongs to Allaah and His Messenger, and to the Believers but the hypocrites know not”