

Khalid Batarfi



- ❖ Born: 1979; alt. 1978; alt. 1980;
- ❖ Place of Birth: Riyadh, Saudi Arabia;
- ❖ Nationality: Saudi Arabia;
- ❖ Address: Yemen;
- ❖ Known also as: Khaled Batarfi; Khaled Saeed Batarfi; Khalid Saeed Batarfi; Abu al-Miqdad Al-Kindi; Khalid bin Umar Batarfi; Abu Miqdad.
- ❖ Batarfi is a senior member of Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula. He oversaw the Yemen-based group's media network and led jihadist fighters in their takeover of Yemen's Abyan Governorate in 2011, where he was accorded the position of emir. He also reputedly carried out terrorist attacks in the Abyan and Hadhramaut governorates.

- ❖ On 17 March 2011, Batarfi was captured by security forces in the Taiz Governorate. For four years, he was imprisoned in Mukalla. He was freed, along with about 300 other inmates, by al Qaeda fighters on 2 April 2015, during the Battle of Mukalla.
- ❖ Batarfi attracted media attention when he posed for photographs taken by al Qaeda members in the Hadhramaut governor's palace, which fighters took over.

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