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The foreign fighter-centric Muhajireen Foundation, an Islamic State (IS)-aligned group, published a biography of an alleged deceased Nigerian fighter and member of the IS' "Education Department".

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It posted the biography of "Abu Fatima al-Afriqi" on June 10, 2019. Its author wrote that Abu Fatima was born and raised to a Christian family in the Nigerian capital, Abuja, and worked as a high school science teacher, where one day he encountered a Muslim boy who made him question his thinking. He discovered Islam and "abandoned his Christianity and misguidance," then immigrated to Syria and joined the IS, working in its Education Department. He was ultimately killed during clashes in Hajin, in Deir al-Zour.

Following is a translation of the biography:

The Winners

Name: Abu Fatima al-Afriqi
Birthplace: Nigeria
Title: Education Bureau
Death: Sham Province – Hajin
Cause of Death: Clashes with the Soldiers of the Cross

Abu Fatima was born in Abuja, the capital of Nigeria, and he was raised in a Christian family. He graduated from a Nigerian university, and he worked as a teacher in several high schools in the capital, where there are a number of Muslims, whose number exceeds half the population.

Brother Abu Fatima mentioned the story of his discovery of Islam in brief: "In a lecture I gave as a science teacher, a young student opposed me, and he was only 16-years-old. His method of thinking and logic seemed strange to me. I thought he was a Christian and belonged to an extremist church. However, the boy's words about science, strength, power, place and time seemed very strange to me. I was very impressed with the way he spoke with logic and the self-confidence. This discussion came after asking the students about their opinion of applied sciences. I was surprised that this student was a Muslim. I asked him to finish his illogical words and asked him to sit down, while I hid my pride of my knowledge of science. I was impressed by what this boy was saying, and I ridiculed him by saying that his opinion resembled the Middle Ages, and I enjoyed the laughing of other students".

This event was the beginning, which Allah wanted for the brother Abu Fatima. He did not feel comfortable at all and there was a confused relationship between the boy and the teacher. Abu Fatima tried to address the situation by listening again to the words of this superior boy and know the source of his ideas. The surprise was that it was the Holy Qur'an. Abu Fatima started to search and look for the translations of the Holy Qur'an, until Allah opened his heart to Islam, and he abandoned his Christianity and misguidance.

Abu Fatima immigrated to the land of the Islamic State, and he pledged allegiance to its Caliph, may Allah preserve him, and became a soldier who guarded its doctrine and methodology. He worked in the Education Department before he was garrisoned and stationed with his brothers on the fronts of Deir al-Zour, where he was killed, may Allah accept him, during the clashes between the soldiers of Allah and the soldiers of the Cross backed by the Crusader coalition in Hajin. He was elevated as a martyr, and Allah is his advocate and we reckon none unto Allah.

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