



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO  
GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA  
APO AE 09360

JTF GTMO-CG

7 September 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, United States Southern Command, 3511 NW 91st Avenue, Miami, FL 33172.

SUBJECT: Recommendation to Transfer to the Control of Another Country for Continued Detention (TRCD) for Guantanamo Detainee, ISN: US9SA-000501DP (S)

**1. (FOUO) Personal Information:**

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Nowaf Fad Al Atahibi
- Aliases and Current/True Name: Nawaf Fahad Al Otaibi
- Place of Birth: Ryahd, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 11 November 1972
- Citizenship: Saudi Arabia

**2. (FOUO) Health:** Detainee is PPD positive (latent TB) and has been seen several times by the medical teams during routine and sick call rounds. He has been complaining of back, ear and head pains. He is listed in "good health" and there are no major medical conditions. He was treated in Kandahar for multiple wounds of an unidentified type and has also been treated for abrasions on both ankles (resolved).

**3. (S) Detainee Summary:**

a. (S) Background and Capture Data: Unless otherwise noted, the following background notes are based solely on the detainee's statements.

- Recruitment Travel: Around June 2001, the detainee met a man named Adil, who had trained at a Libyan terrorist training camp in Afghanistan (AF). Detainee decided to train there as well, and he traveled from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (SA) to Karachi, Pakistan (PK). In Karachi, he met a man named Hassan who paid for his travel to Quetta, PK. He then traveled to Khandahar, AF, where he spent a night at a guest house, before traveling to Kabul, AF with a man named Abu Assam.

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- Training and Activities: Detainee and Assam were told that the training camp was closed due to the events of 9/11. Detainee and Assam stayed one month in a Kabul, AF safehouse, hoping for the training camp to reopen, but it never did.

- Capture Information: In November 2001, Kabul, AF fell. Detainee, and twenty other Arabs, spent three weeks trying to make it to the Pakistan border. Due to bombings, the group was reduced to six or seven individuals. He, and the other group remnants, headed instead to an Afghanistan village and surrendered. Detainee was put in a Jalalabad, AF prison for ten days, after which, he was transferred to a Kabul, AF prison for one month. Then followed transfers to a Bagram, AF prison and then a Khandahar, AF prison.

b. (S) Transfer to JTF GTMO: Detainee was subsequently transported to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba, on 4 May 2002.

c. (S) Reasons for Transfer to JTF GTMO: Detainee may be able to provide information on the following:

- A Libyan terrorist training camp in or near Kabul, AF.
- A safe house in Quetta, Pakistan, Khandahar and Kabul, AF.

d. (S) Reasons for Continued Detention at JTF GTMO:

- Detainee's association with the following persons:
  - o Al-Qusaya, a Taliban or Al-Qaida recruiter he met while at the Moxayam Ta'wee Cultural Center, Riyadh, SA.
  - o Hassan, who paid for his travel to Quetta, PK, in June of 2001, and may be the Al-Qaida facilitator Hassan Ghul. Ghul worked under the Al-Qaida Senior Operational Commander Khalid Shaykh Muhammad.
  - o While in the Quetta, PK airport, he met three Afghans who were Taliban members, one named Sakhi. *Analyst Note: Sakhi is mentioned in other reports as a Taliban guide who operated out of Quetta, PK. The detainee also believes that Sakhi operated the house he stayed in while in Quetta, PK.)*
  - o Detainee stayed for in a house, free of charge, for two to three weeks with others who wanted terrorist training. The house was owned by Al-Fahak, who is a probable Taliban or Al-Qaida sympathizer.
  - o Detainee traveled with Abu Assam, who previously trained at the Libyan camp, and he offered to help the detainee obtain a slot for training. *Analyst Note: Assam was also going to the frontline north of Kabul, AF. Assam was involved with the Taliban and/or Al-Qaida.)*
  - o While detainee was imprisoned in Kandahar, AF, he met a man named Salem, who was Usama Bin Laden's (UBL) driver.
- Detainee conflicting stories regarding his trip to AF:

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o Time in Khandahar, AF. Detainee first said that he spent one night there, then he changed his story to having spent two weeks there.

o Reason for Traveling to AF. Detainee first said that he went there to train at a Libyan terrorist training camp, then he said he went to AF on a self-appointed religious mission, to investigate the Taliban's unorthodox method of praying for the deceased and to see "The Cloth" that purportedly belonged to the Prophet Mohammad. (*Analyst Notes: Detainee changed his story to a less incriminating one after the Saudi Delegation came and spoke to the detainees.*)

e. (S) Intelligence Focus: JTF GTMO has assessed that this detainee is of medium intelligence value due to his knowledge of:

- Al-Qaida and Taliban personnel:
  - o Al-Qusaya
  - o Hassan
  - o Sakhi
  - o Al-Fahak
  - o Abu Assam
  - o Salem

**4. (S) Detainee's Conduct:** Detainee's overall behavior has been generally noncompliant and aggressive. While there have been instances of the detainee refusing showers and threatening guards, most his behavior problems were failures to follow simple directions; such as not giving trash to guards.

**5. (S) EC Status:** Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 24 February 2004, and he remains an enemy combatant.

**6. (S) JTF GTMO Assessment:**

a. (S) Summary: It is assessed that the detainee is a member of Al-Qaida and/or its global terrorist network. Detainee has admitted to interrogators that he specifically went to Afghanistan to be trained at a Libyan terrorist camp and also that he associated with Taliban and Al-Qaida personnel in an attempt to receive this training. Detainee has also shown deception by changing his story. The detainee refuses to be polygraphed, which suggests that he had a more active role in Afghanistan than he wishes to reveal. Detainee has demonstrated a commitment to jihad, has links to key facilitators in the Al-Qaida's international terrorist network, has attempted to participate in terrorist training and hostilities against the US and coalition forces, and maintains the capability to continue to do so. Detainee has demonstrated a commitment to Jihad by paying for and traveling to Afghanistan on his own accord. He left college to take up arms against the US and its allies and, if released, he will probably attempt to aid the enemy once more. It has

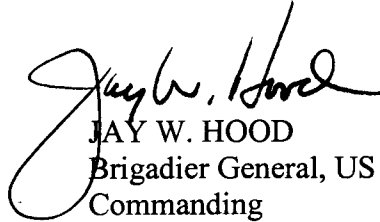
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been determined that the detainee poses a medium risk; he may possibly pose a threat to the US, its interests and allies.

b. (S) Recommendation: JTF GTMO recommends this detainee be transferred to the control of another country for continued detention.

7. (S) **Coordination:** JTF GTMO notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force (CITF) of this recommendation on 7 September 2004. JTF GTMO and CITF agree on the threat assessment of this detainee as a medium risk.

  
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