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

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Transfer Out of DoD Control (TRO) for Guantanamo  
Detainee, ISN US9SA-000566DP (S)

### **JTF-GTMO Detainee Assessment**

#### **1. (S) Personal Information:**

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Masour Mohamed Mutaya Ali
- Current/True Name and Aliases: Mansoor Muhammed Ali al-Qattaa, Mansour al-Qatar, al-Qita, Azzam, Abu Ahmed, Abu Muath
- Place of Birth: Taif, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 1982
- Citizenship: Yemen (YM)
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9SA-000566DP



**2. (U//FOUO) Health:** Detainee is in good health.

#### **3. (U) JTF-GTMO Assessment:**

**a. (S) Recommendation:** JTF-GTMO recommends this detainee for Transfer Out of DoD Control (TRO). JTF-GTMO previously recommended detainee for Transfer Out of DoD Control (TRO) on 9 June 2007.

**b. (S//NF) Executive Summary:** Detainee is an Islamic extremist and probable member of al-Qaida who traveled to Afghanistan for jihad shortly after 11 September 2001. Once in Afghanistan he manned a fighting position in armed hostilities against US and Coalition forces. Detainee was captured at a senior al-Qaida facilitator's safe house in Karachi, Pakistan (PK), and is expressed to have resided in other al-Qaida affiliated guesthouses. Detainee's name was listed in an al-Qaida affiliated document. JTF-GTMO determined this detainee to be:

**CLASSIFIED BY:** MULTIPLE SOURCES  
**REASON:** E.O. 12958, AS AMENDED, SECTION 1.4(C)  
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- A **MEDIUM** risk, as he may pose a threat to the US, its interests, and allies
- A **HIGH** threat from a detention perspective
- Of **LOW** intelligence value

**c. (S//NF) Summary of Changes:** The following outlines changes to detainee's assessment since the last JTF-GTMO recommendation. (Changes in this assessment will be annotated by ➤ next to the footnote.)

- Updated detainee's citizenship to that of Yemen and not Saudi Arabia
- Updated detainee's connection to UBL's 55th Arab Brigade
- Added further identification of detainee by other JTF-GTMO detainees

#### **4. (U) Detainee's Account of Events:**

**The following section is based, unless otherwise indicated, on detainee's own account. These statements are included without consideration of veracity, accuracy, or reliability.**

**a. (S//NF) Prior History:** Detainee grew up in Taif and dropped out of school at the age of seventeen.<sup>1</sup> In 2000, he left Thegief Madrassa Islamic School short of receiving a degree and began working as a pet and cosmetics salesman.<sup>2</sup>

**b. (S//NF) Recruitment and Travel:** Detainee met Abu Yusef Sulayman and Abu Malik in a Taif mosque. They showed him a video of jihadists in Bosnia, which inspired detainee to travel to Afghanistan for training. On 17 September 2001, detainee traveled to Sanaa, YM on an official passport and visa, and remained there for two and one half months sightseeing.<sup>3</sup> On 11 October 2001, detainee traveled to Kabul, AF via Quetta, PK and Karachi. Detainee spent one week in an unidentified safe house in Kabul. Due to his arrival after 11 September 2001, other houseguests suspected detainee of being a spy and forced him to leave. Detainee continued his travels to Lowgar, AF where he spent a month in an abandoned schoolhouse studying Islam under Abu Abdullah al-Shami while awaiting training.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 000566 302 18-JUN-2002, Analyst Note: Detainee claims Yemeni citizenship and states he obtained a Yemeni passport from the Yemeni consulate in Jeddah, SA. Detainee states he belongs to the Kawkaban al-Tawilah tribe. There is a Kawkaban tribe located west of Sanaa. Detainee's family is probably originally from Yemen and moved to Saudi Arabia for economic or political reasons. In July 2002, a Saudi delegation visiting JTF-GTMO identified detainee as a Yemeni citizen (see TD-314/29199-02).

<sup>2</sup> 000566 KB 26-JUN-2002

<sup>3</sup> Analyst Note: Islamic date of departure was the 15th day, 4th month of 1422.

<sup>4</sup> IIR 2 340 7144 02, 000566 KB 26-JUN-2002, 000566 302 18-JUN-2002

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**c. (S//NF) Training and Activities:** In mid-November 2001, detainee traveled by foot to an unidentified fighting position near some caves, where Abu Sulaiman, leader of the fighting group, gave him a weapon.<sup>5</sup> On 22 November 2001, detainee and approximately 40 others left their fighting positions and traveled to the Afghanistan-Pakistan border with an unidentified Pakistani guide. Detainee stayed at the Pakistani guide's house for three weeks. In mid-December 2001, detainee set out alone and traveled for six weeks in Pakistan. In mid-January 2002, detainee arrived in Karachi where Abdul Razzaq took detainee to the home of senior al-Qaida facilitator Sharqawi Abdu Ali al-Hajj, aka (Riyadh the Facilitator), aka (Abdul Aziz), ISN US9YM-001457DP (YM-1457). Detainee and approximately 15 to 16 people spent the next three weeks in the house while YM-1457 was allegedly helping detainee obtain a new passport.<sup>6</sup>

**5. (U) Capture Information:**

**a. (S//NF)** On 7 February 2002, the Pakistani Inter-Services Intelligence Directorate (ISID) raided YM-1457's Karachi safe house and arrested detainee along with about 14 others. Pakistani authorities held detainee for 20 days before transferring him to US custody in Kandahar, AF.<sup>7</sup>

**b. (S) Property Held:** None

**c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO:** 19 June 2002

**d. (S//NF) Reasons for Transfer to JTF-GTMO:** To provide information on the following:

- Islamic school operated by Abu Abdullah al-Shami
- Kabul safe house
- Fighting positions near Lowgar
- Al-Qaida and Taliban egress routes and safe houses
- Al-Qaida facilitator Abu Malik
- Pakistani treatment of prisoners

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<sup>5</sup> Analyst Note: Variants of Sulaiman include Sulayman and Salman.

<sup>6</sup> 000566 KB 26-JUN-2002

<sup>7</sup> IIR 2 340 6970 02, IIR 6 034 0926 02; Analyst Note: Detainee was captured with US9YM-001457DP, US9YM-000564DP, US9SA-000565DP, detainee, US9KU-000568DP, US9YM-000569DP, US9YM-000570DP, US9KU-000571DP, US9SA-000572DP, US9RS-000573DP, US9YM-000574DP, US9YM-000575DP, US9YM-000578DP, and US9PK-000581DP.

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**6. (S//NF) Evaluation of Detainee's Account:** Detainee provides a logical and chronological description of his travels, but fails to provide descriptive information on personnel and activities during his time in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The few details detainee has provided make it difficult to definitively locate the places where he says he went. Detainee's account of traveling through Pakistan alone for six weeks is highly improbable. Detainee's efforts are focused on providing information that does not identify him as linked to al-Qaida. Detainee has provided no reportable intelligence and is routinely uncooperative.

**7. (U) Detainee Threat:**

**a. (S) Assessment:** Detainee is assessed to be a **MEDIUM** risk, as he may pose a threat to the US, its interests, and allies.

**b. (S//NF) Reasons for Transfer out of DoD Control:** Detainee is an Islamic extremist who traveled to Afghanistan after 11 September 2001 for jihad. Detainee manned a fighting position possibly under the 55th Arab Brigade, in preparations for hostilities against US and Coalition forces. Detainee was captured at a senior al-Qaida facilitator's home in Karachi, and he stayed at other al-Qaida affiliated guesthouses. Detainee may have knowledge concerning al-Wafa personnel. No other JTF-GTMO detainees have provided any information about his activities while in Afghanistan.

- (S//NF) Detainee is an Islamic extremist and probable member of al-Qaida. He traveled to Afghanistan after 11 September 2001 for jihad and manned a fighting position, possibly under the 55th Arab Brigade.
  - (S//NF) While still in Taif, detainee viewed a video on jihadists in Bosnia, which inspired him to travel to Afghanistan for training.<sup>8</sup> After arriving in Afghanistan detainee stated he and four other unidentified individuals spent a month near Lowgar at an abandoned schoolhouse awaiting training.<sup>9</sup>
  - (S//NF) Detainee reported that he left Lowgar and traveled by foot to an unidentified area near some caves, and was assigned a fighting position. He was with six to seven other men and received a weapon from a group leader named Abu Sulaiman.<sup>10</sup> Detainee described the area as fairly open with several trenches. Detainee stayed at the position for approximately five weeks.<sup>11</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> 000566 302 18-JUN-2002

<sup>9</sup> 000566 302 18-JUN-2002, 000566 KB 26-JUN-2002

<sup>10</sup> 000566 KB 26-JUN-2002

<sup>11</sup> 000566\_SIR\_22-SEP-2002

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- (S//NF) After the fall of the Taliban, elements of the 55th Arab Brigade fled to Zormat, Paktya Province.<sup>12</sup> (Analyst Note: Detainee's timeline possibly places him with the 55th Arab Brigade at Zormat.)
- Detainee's travel was facilitated through the al-Qaida network. He was captured at the safe house of a senior al-Qaida facilitator and is assessed to have stayed in multiple al-Qaida guesthouses.
  - (S//NF) Detainee traveled to Pakistan, led by an unidentified Pakistani guide. Detainee arrived in Karachi, where Abdul Razzaq took him to the safe house where YM-1457 was staying.<sup>13</sup>
    - (S//NF) The Abdul Razzaq that picked detainee up in Karachi may be Abd al-Razzaq al-Najjar, aka (Abu Salih), a long-time associate of YM-1457.<sup>14</sup> Razzaq was a well known al-Qaida facilitator linked to many al-Qaida members who operated al-Qaida affiliated guesthouses. Razzaq is reportedly deceased.<sup>15</sup>
    - (S//NF) Detainee stated he wanted YM-1457's help to get a new passport because he claimed that he had lost his in the Lowgar area.<sup>17</sup> As of 20 April 2002, an unknown person applied for a US visa using a passport with one of detainee's names and a similar birth date.<sup>18</sup> (Analyst Note: Al-Qaida is known to have recycled passports of dead or arrested members, especially Saudi passports due to difficulty of falsifying them.<sup>19</sup>)
      - (S//NF) Sabri Muhammad Ibrahim al-Qurashi, ISN US9YM-000570 (YM-570), who was captured with detainee, reported all the houseguests stayed in one room while waiting for YM-1457 to get stamps or visas for their passports in order to get out of Pakistan.<sup>20</sup>
    - (S//NF) A variation of detainee's name, Mansour Muhammad Ali al-Qattaa, was found in a document listing 324 Arabic names, aliases, and nationalities recovered from raids on suspected al-Qaida safe houses in Karachi. The name was associated with the statement "has possession of a Yemeni passport."<sup>21</sup> (Analyst Note: Such lists are indicative of an individual's residence within al-Qaida, Taliban, and other extremist guesthouses often for the purpose of training or coordination prior to travel to training, the front lines, or abroad. Detainee's passport was probably kept in a trust account, which was usually nothing more than a simple storage compartment such as

<sup>12</sup> >IIR 6 034 0205 03(b), TD-314/29878-03, TD-314/46047-02, IIR 4 201 0670 08

<sup>13</sup> 000566 KB 26-JUN-2002

<sup>14</sup> TD-314/04584-04, IIR 6 034 0097 05

<sup>15</sup> TD-314/16930-02, TD-314/46996-02

<sup>17</sup> 000566 302 18-JUN-2002

<sup>18</sup> VISAS-State-Dept-Riyadh-18-DEC-2002

<sup>19</sup> TD-314/18402-06, TD-314/15642-06

<sup>20</sup> IIR 2 340 6705 02

<sup>21</sup> TD-314/40693-02, detainee is listed as number 316; AFGP-2002-905527

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an envelope or folder used to secure travelers' personal valuables until completion of training or other associated activities.)

- (S//NF) Detainee stated that, on his trip from Yemen to Afghanistan, he went from Karachi to an unidentified house in Quetta where street hawkers were offering Taliban supported trips to Afghanistan.<sup>22</sup> (Analyst Note: This is likely the Daftar Taliban Guesthouse, which was used as a waypoint for al-Qaida and Taliban recruits en route to training or jihad in Afghanistan. Personnel usually stayed only a short time before getting assistance from the Taliban to cross the border.)<sup>23</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee traveled from Quetta to Kabul where he stayed in an unidentified guesthouse for one week. Detainee stated that he was not welcome at this guesthouse because other residents thought he was a spy, since he had arrived after the US and Coalition military campaign had already begun.<sup>24</sup> (Analyst Note: This guesthouse was probably the al-Qaida affiliated Azzam, aka (Arab Guesthouse), aka (Safe House Number 10), operated by al-Qaida operatives Hamza al-Ghamdi and Hamza al-Zubayr (deceased). The Azzam Guesthouse was located in the former Saudi Arabian Ambassador's home in the Wazir Akbar Khan district of Kabul.<sup>25</sup>)
  - (S//NF) Detainee may have stayed at an al-Wafa house, which was established as a safe storage location. In late October 2001, al-Wafa regional director Abdallah Aydhan Abdallah al-Matrafi, ISN US9SA-000005DP (SA-005, transferred) tasked Abu Sufian Ibrahim Ahmed Hamuda Bin Qumu, ISN US9LY-000557DP (LY-557, transferred) and a Saudi named Abu Muhammad to locate storage facilities where al-Wafa could secure its possessions from US air strikes.<sup>26</sup> They located an abandoned school two kilometers outside of Lowgar. Al-Wafa supplies were transferred to that building on about 1 November 2001.<sup>27</sup> (Analyst Note: Detainee's timeline places him in Lowgar between 18 October and 18 November 2001. Abd al-Aziz Abd al-Rahman Abd al-Aziz al-Baddah, ISN US9SA-00264DP (SA-264, transferred) similarly stated that he went to an al-Wafa house in Lowgar in mid-November 2001 about the same time as detainee and that SA-005 helped him travel there.<sup>28</sup>)
- (S//NF) Detainee was allegedly responsible for the torture of another JTF-GTMO detainee by al-Qaida forces in Afghanistan.

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<sup>22</sup> 000566 302 18-JUN-2002

<sup>23</sup> TD-314/29268-02, IIR 6 034 1550 03

<sup>24</sup> 000566 KB 26-JUN-2002, 000566 302 18-JUN-2002

<sup>25</sup> IIR 6 034 0297 05, IIR 6 034 0203 05, IIR 4 201 0851 05

<sup>26</sup> Analyst note: Abu Muhammad is assessed to be Abu Muhammad al-Anasari, who was employed at the Kabul al-Wafa office.

<sup>27</sup> TD-314/40088-02

<sup>28</sup> IIR 6 034 0099 02

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- (S//NF) Abd al-Hakim Abd al-Karim Amin Bukhari, US9SA-000493DP (SA-493, transferred), claimed that detainee was responsible for torturing SA-493.<sup>29</sup> (Analyst Note: No further information is available to confirm or elaborate on this allegation. SA-493 was in a Taliban prison where the alleged torture likely took place.)

**c. (S//NF) Detainee's Conduct:** Detainee is assessed as a **HIGH** threat from a detention perspective. His overall behavior has been non-compliant and hostile to the guard force and staff. He currently has 104 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction listed in DIMS with the most recent occurring on 25 March 2008, when he attempted to assault guards with bodily fluids. He has six Reports of Disciplinary Infraction for assault with the most recent occurring on 17 October 2007, when he threw bodily fluids. Other incidents for which he has been disciplined include inciting and participating in mass disturbances, failure to follow guard instructions/camp rules, inappropriate use of bodily fluids, unauthorized communications, damage to government property, attempted assaults, assaults, provoking words and gestures, and possession of food and non-weapon type contraband. In 2007, he had a total of 55 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction and two so far in 2008.

**8. (U) Detainee Intelligence Value Assessment:**

**a. (S) Assessment:** Detainee is assessed to be of **LOW** intelligence value. Detainee's most recent interrogation session occurred on 29 November 2006.

**b. (S//NF) Placement and Access:** Detainee traveled to Afghanistan and possibly stayed in al-Qaida affiliated guesthouses. Detainee traveled through Lowgar and had possible access to a temporary al-Wafa supply depot operation and associated al-Wafa personnel. During his escape from Afghanistan, detainee had contact with several individuals who were affiliated with al-Qaida facilitation networks. Detainee stayed at YM-1457's house and had direct contact with other al-Qaida affiliated personnel.

**c. (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment:** Detainee is assessed to not have information of unique or significant intelligence value. However, his time and associations while staying at YM-1457's safe house in Karachi require further investigation and could yield intelligence that would increase detainee's intelligence value. At present, detainee has provided no reportable intelligence and is routinely uncooperative.

**d. (S//NF) Areas of Potential Exploitation:**

- Al-Qaida guesthouses

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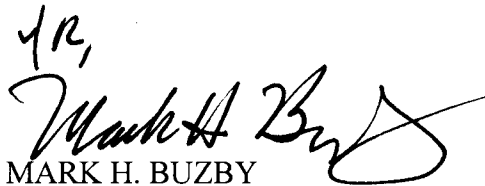
<sup>29</sup> 000493 SIR 01-FEB-2005

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- Al-Wafa's Lowgar supply depot
- YM-1457, KU-571, KU-568, RS-573
- Sanaa-based extremist organizations and personnel

9. (S) **EC Status:** Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 26 October 2004, and he remains an enemy combatant.

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\* Definitions for intelligence terms used in the assessment can be found in the Joint Military Intelligence College October 2001 guide *Intelligence Warning Terminology*.