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REPLY TO
 ATTENTION OF

JTF GTMO-CG

22 October 2004

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

SUBJECT: Recommendation to Retain under DoD Control (DoD) for Guantanamo Detainee, ISN: US9YM-000554DP (S)

1. (FOUO) Personal Information:

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Fahmi Salem Said Al Asani
- Aliases and Current/True Name: Fahmi Salem Said Al Sani, Salem Saed Mubrak Al Assani, and Sadeeq Al Hadrami
- Place of Birth: Mikala, Yemen (YM)
- Date of Birth: 17 May 1977
- Citizenship: Yemen

2. (FOUO) Health: He has a history of latent TB and chronic lower back pain, but is otherwise in good health.

3. (S//NF) Detainee Summary

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

- Recruitment and Travel: After meeting and befriending Abdel Salam at a mosque near detainee's home, Abdel Salam encouraged detainee to go to Afghanistan to attend a training camp. Abdel Salam took detainee's passport for processing, gave him some money, and put him in contact with a chief recruiter, Abu Muath aka Munthir Muath Al-Sanaani. Al-Sanaani would later return detainee's passport. He also provided detainee with airline tickets to Karachi, PK, and a point of contact. Several days later, detainee and his group traveled via Quetta, PK, to Kandahar, AF, to the Al-Nebras guesthouse. Abu Khallud (aka Khalid) ran the Al-Nebras guesthouse. In mid-August 2001, the group traveled to the Al Farouq terrorist training camp.

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(Analyst Note: Other sources have confirmed the Al-Nebras guesthouse was used as a collection point for Al-Qaida recruits. It has also been reported Usama bin Laden (UBL) would commonly visit the new recruits here and brief them on Islam and the jihad, before sending them to Al-Farouq.)

- Training and Activities: While at Al-Farouq, detainee received training on the Kalashnikov rifle from a man named Jarrah, he saw others training on rocket-propelled grenade launchers (RPGs), the PK machine gun, and he recalls hearing grenades. Between late August 2001 to early September 2001, UBL, Ayman Al-Zawahiri, and Abu Gayth, all visited and gave speeches emphasizing the need for patience in the jihad against the infidels. In early September 2001, after two weeks of training, Abdel Qadoos (leader of Al-Farouq) led detainee and a group of approximately fifty others from Al-Farouq to a mountainous region near Jalalabad, AF, where they could continue training for ten to fifteen days. While there, detainee and the group heard about the September 11th attacks in the US. *(Analyst Note: Detainee had previously claimed the VIP visits were made by UBL, Zawahiri, and Gayth in October 2001, which would place him at Al-Farouq a month later than he now claims.)* Detainee then traveled to the Tora Bora mountains with his group.

- Capture Information: Near the end of Ramadan (December 16, 2001), US forces began bombing detainee's location. As a result, detainee's group commander, Zubair, advised withdrawal to Pakistan. With the assistance of an Afghan guide, the detainee and his group withdrew to another unspecified location. At this unspecified location, detainee was injured in his lower right side by shrapnel from US bombing. Zubair subsequently negotiated their surrender. The group was escorted by local townspeople and turned over to Afghan soldiers. The Afghan soldiers took the injured to a hospital in Kandahar, AF, where detainee spent a month and a half recuperating from his injuries. Then, he was turned over to US forces.

b. (S) Transferred to JTF GTMO: 15 February 2002

c. (S) Reasons for Transfer to JTF GTMO: To provide information on terrorism related activities and facilities as well as personalities involved in terrorism in Afghanistan.

d. (S//NF) Reasons for Continued Detention:

- (S//NF) Detainee's name was found on a list of 324 suspected Al-Qaida members recovered from safehouse raids in Karachi, PK. The document listed names, aliases, nationality, and possessions.

- (S) Detainee has admitted to training at Al-Farouq, an Al-Qaida terrorist training camp. Detainee received rifle marksmanship training on the Kalashnikov rifle, and states training on other small arms were readily available.

- (S) Detainee admits knowing Al-Farouq was sponsored by UBL.

- (S) After fleeing Al-Farouq, detainee received further Al-Qaida training for ten to fifteen days on the Kalashnikov rifle and long distance walking.

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- (S//NF) Detainee admits going to the Al-Nebras guesthouse, ran by Abu Khallud. *(Analyst Note: This safehouse is known for supporting Al-Qaida members, as UBL would often visit to brief recruits who collected there before training at Al-Farouq.)*
- (S) Abdel Qadoos, the Al-Farouq commander who is known to have led the resistance after September 11, 2001, led detainee and the rest of his group in Tora Bora, AF.
- (S) Detainee has provided conflicting dates (early September 2001 and late October 2001) for his time of departure from Al-Farouq.
- (S) ISN US9YM000511DP, Sulaiman Awath Sulaiman bin Ageel, alleges he traveled to Afghanistan from Yemen with the detainee.
- (S) Detainee was recruited by Mustapha al-Sharabi, who was known to recruit Muslims for military training in Afghanistan out of the Anwar al-Jabalain mosque, located in the center of Bushr in Ta'iz, YM.

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

- Al-Farouq training camp
 - Biographic details on camp leaders and trainers
 - Abdel Qadoos
 - Jarrah
 - VIPs and reasons for visits
 - UBL
 - Ayman Al-Zawahiri
 - Abu Gayth
 - Camp layout
 - Types of training provided at the camp
- Training taking place in a mountainous region between Kabul and Jalalabad, AF
- Al Nebras guesthouse
 - Guesthouse leader Abu Khalud (aka Khalid)
 - Activities taking place
 - Other guests
- Tora Bora operations and routes of egress
 - Zubair, group commander
- Al-Qaida recruitment and facilitation
 - Abdel Salam
 - Abu Muath aka Munthir Muath Al-Sanaani
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4. (S) Detainee's Conduct: Detainee is currently passively non-compliant towards detention personnel.

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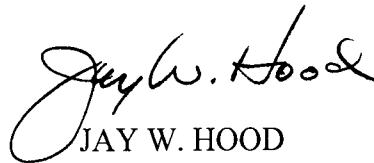
5. (S) **EC Status:** Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 24 February 2004, and he remains an enemy combatant.

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

a. (S) **Summary:** It is assessed detainee is a member of Al-Qaida and/or its global terrorist network. Detainee has demonstrated a commitment to jihad, has links to key facilitators in Al-Qaida's international terrorist network, and has participated in terrorist training. Detainee has admitted to training at Al-Qaida's basic instruction facility, Al-Farouq. Detainee insists he never engaged in battle with US or coalition forces in Afghanistan. Detainee was present when UBL and other high ranking associates visited Al-Farouq. Detainee then continued with his training in a mountainous region of Afghanistan. Detainee's name and alias have been found on a list of suspected Al-Qaida members recovered during safehouse raids. Detainee's recruitment and subsequent movement routes through Afghanistan are those typical of Al-Qaida operatives. Detainee's timeline has discrepancies requiring further exploitation. It has been determined detainee poses a high risk, as he is likely to pose a threat to the US, its interests and allies.

b. (S) **Recommendation:** JTF GTMO recommends detainee be retained under DOD control.

7. (S) **Coordination:** JTF GTMO notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force (CITF) of this recommendation on 29 October 2004. CITF assessed this detainee as a medium risk on 3 June 2004. In the interest of national security and pursuant to an agreement between the CITF and JTF GTMO Commanders, CITF will defer to JTF GTMO's assessment that the detainee poses a high risk.



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