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

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) for Guantanamo Detainee, ISN US9SA-000067DP (S)

JTF-GTMO Detainee Assessment

1. (S//NF) Personal Information:

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Abdullah R Razaq
- Aliases and Current/True Name: Abd al-Razaq Abdallah Hamid Ibrahim al-Sharikh, Abu Hammam, Shaykh Abdul Razaq, Abd al-Razaq Abdallah Ibrahim al-Tamini
- Place of Birth: Shaqara, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 18 January 1984
- Citizenship: Saudi Arabia
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9SA-000067DP



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

3. (U) JTF-GTMO Assessment:

a. (S) Recommendation: JTF-GTMO recommends this detainee for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD). JTF-GTMO previously recommended detainee for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) on 3 August 2006.

b. (S//NF) Executive Summary: Detainee is assessed to be an al-Qaida member and to have associated with numerous other al-Qaida members, including senior al-Qaida operatives. Detainee and his brother were selected and prepared by al-Qaida senior leadership for a special mission to attack US forces at the Prince Sultan Air Base (PSAB) in Saudi Arabia. Detainee is assessed to be a former member of Usama Bin Laden's (UBL) 55th Arab Brigade who engaged in combat action against US and Coalition forces at Tora

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Bora. Detainee was probably a sub-commander in the Arab Brigade, and may also have become a UBL bodyguard while at Tora Bora. Detainee received training at multiple al-Qaida sponsored training camps, including specialized, advanced training in weapons, explosives, surveillance and reconnaissance, and advanced combat tactics in preparation for the PSAB attack mission. Detainee resided in al-Qaida supported guesthouses in Kandahar and Kabul, and his name appears on documents associated with al-Qaida. Detainee has been cooperative with interrogators, has provided valuable intelligence, and because of his unique placement and access, continues to be of significant intelligence value. **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS DETAINEE IS AVAILABLE IN AN SCI SUPPLEMENT].** JTF-GTMO determined this detainee to be:

- A **HIGH** risk, as he is likely to pose a threat to the US, its interests, and allies
- A **LOW** threat from a detention perspective
- Of **HIGH** intelligence value

(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.)

- Added assessment that detainee was a member of Usama Bin Laden's (UBL) 55th Arab Brigade and a possible UBL bodyguard
- Incorporated reporting that identified target of detainee's planned mission as PSAB
- Incorporated reporting indicating detainee possibly received advanced training in chemicals and poisons at al-Qaida's Kandahar Airport complex

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 completed one year of high school and then sold honey outside various mosques near his parents' home in the al-Suwaidi section of Riyadh, SA.¹ In early 2000, when detainee was 18 years old, his 22-year old brother, Abd Abdallah Ibrahim Latif al-Sharakh, aka (Abbad), was killed while participating in jihad in Chechnya.² Detainee looked up to Abbad and when he heard that Abbad was killed, he became zealous

¹ 000067 KB 04-FEB-2002, 000067 302 18-MAR-2002, IIR 6 034 0320 02, TRRS-04-01-0717, 000067 SIR 29-SEP-2004, IIR 6 034 0072 05

² 000067 302 08-SEP-2003

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to join the jihad and martyr himself.³ In addition to Abbad, detainee has five other brothers, including Abd al-Hadi Abdallah Ibrahim al-Sharikh, ISN US9SA-000231DP (SA-231).

b. (S//NF) Recruitment and Travel: Detainee was not recruited by any organization and did not become a member of al-Qaida; he decided to travel to Afghanistan (AF) on his own initiative and at the suggestion of his brother's friends.⁴ Abbad's friends approached detainee at his brother's funeral and encouraged him to travel to Afghanistan because the living conditions and training opportunities were better there than in Chechnya.⁵ Detainee went to the passport office in Mecca, SA, and obtained a legal passport and visa. After he received his passport, Seria al-Mekki, one of Abbad's friends, told detainee that an individual named Sufian al-Najdi would travel with detainee.⁶ Seria gave detainee some money and brought Sufian to detainee's home.⁷ In early December 2000, detainee and Sufian traveled to Karachi, Pakistan (PK) via Dubai, United Arab Emirates. In Karachi, the pair became involved in a confrontation with members of Jamaat Tablighi (JT).⁸ Abdul Wakil al-Qahtani assisted them out of this confrontation and took them to the Taliban headquarters in Quetta, PK, to meet an individual named Daoud, who was in charge there. The next morning, detainee, Sufian, al-Qahtani, and Daoud traveled to Kandahar, AF, to UBL's guesthouse, which was co-located with an Islamic institute. Detainee and Sufian did not stay at this guesthouse, but traveled on to the compound near the Kandahar airport.⁹ Detainee spent a week at this compound before attending training at al-Faruq. When he left for training, detainee left his passport and money at the guesthouse for safekeeping.¹⁰

c. (S//NF) Training and Activities: Detainee spent a few months in training, during which he received specialized training that included training on the SA-7 surface-to-air missile (SAM) at Tarnak Farm Training Camp.¹¹ Detainee then traveled to Kabul, AF, to a location a short distance behind the front line at Bagram, AF. Detainee rotated between the

³ 000067 SIR 29-SEP-2004, 000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005

⁴ IIR 6 034 0072 05

⁵ Analyst Note: Detainee provides three different names for these men. Seria al-Mekki, variant (Saria al-Mecchi), Ali Zahrani, and Ali Mahmoud. These men have yet to be identified with the information provided by detainee.

⁶ Analyst note: A variant of al-Najdi is al-Nejdi.

⁷ 00067 SIR 20-JUL-2005

⁸ 000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005

⁹ 000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005, Analyst Note: This compound was probably UBL's Mall Six Compound, which included multiple houses for UBL, his wives and respective families, and approximately 10-15 security guards and their families. UBL and Abu Hafs al-Masri (the commander of al-Faruq) commonly used the compound for meetings with al-Qaida officials (see TD-314/09060-03).

¹⁰ 000067 SIR 29-SEP-2004, IIR 6 034 0072 05

¹¹ IIR 6 034 0119 06, 000067 SIR 29-SEP-2004, IIR 6 034 0072 05, Analyst Note: The Tarnak Farm Training Camp is also referred to by various sources as the Kandahar Airport Camp, the Kandahar Airport Facility, and the Airport Camp. The SA-7 is a Russian-made man-portable air defense system (MANPADS).

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front and secondary battle lines for approximately eight or nine months until the Bagram line fell to the Northern Alliance and the order came to retreat.¹² Detainee and four others started back to Kandahar, but because of Coalition bombing, they diverted to Khowst, AF. Detainee stayed in Khowst for approximately ten days before he heard that all Arabs needed to make their way to Pakistan. Detainee and two Afghan men walked toward Pakistan, and after eight days, joined a group of 20 to 30 other Arabs who hiked to Pakistan through the Tora Bora Mountains.¹³

5. (U) Capture Information:

a. (S//NF) The day after the group arrived in Parachinar, PK, local authorities arrested the group.¹⁴ Pakistani authorities apprehended detainee with a group of 31 other Arabs, which consisted mostly of UBL bodyguards, on approximately 15 December 2001. The group was transferred to a prison facility in Peshawar, PK, where detainee was held until he was transferred to US forces on 26 December 2001 and transported to Kandahar.¹⁵

b. (U) Property Held: None

c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO: 17 January 2002.

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

- Terrorist recruitment of Muslim foreign nationals attending the Hajj in Saudi Arabia.

6. (S//NF) Evaluation of Detainee's Account: Detainee has denied that he was a member of al-Qaida, but admitted that he traveled to Afghanistan to join the jihad and become a martyr, trained extensively at al-Qaida training camps, was selected by senior al-Qaida leaders for a mission to attack PSAB, and fought on the Bagram battle lines. He has also acknowledged having been present at Tora Bora during meetings of senior al-Qaida commanders during the battle. Detainee has reported about his brother SA-231, and has provided much of what is known about SA-231's timeline. However, he continues to omit specific details regarding SA-231's activities and his associates at Tora Bora, and has not acknowledged being a UBL bodyguard or a member of UBL's security detail. He has provided very little information of

¹² 000067 SIR 29-SEP-2004, IIR 6 034 0072 05

¹³ 000067 302 09-JUL-2002

¹⁴ 000067 302 09-JUL-2002, Analyst Note: Detainee was captured with 31 other men referred to as "The Dirty 30." Most of these men have been identified by captured senior al-Qaida operatives as UBL's bodyguards and al-Qaida operatives.

¹⁵ 000067 302 18-MAR-2002, IIR 6 034 0320 02, TRRS-04-01-0717, TD-314-00845-02, 000027 302 18-MAR-2002

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value about UBL, Sayf al-Adl, or other senior al-Qaida figures to whom he had access, and it is not clear whether he has no valuable information about them or if he is deliberately withholding important information. Detainee has been generally cooperative, though he has used resistance techniques to protect certain past activities and associates, such as periodically changing his account and filling in recent chronological gaps in his timeline with activities conducted at earlier times.

7. (U) Detainee Threat:

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

b. (S//NF) **Reasons for Continued Detention:** Detainee is assessed to be an al-Qaida member and to have associated with numerous other al-Qaida members, including senior al-Qaida operatives. Detainee and SA-231 were selected and prepared by al-Qaida senior leadership for a special mission to attack US forces at PSAB in Saudi Arabia. Detainee is assessed to be a former member of UBL's 55th Arab Brigade who engaged in combat action against US and Coalition forces at Tora Bora. Detainee was probably a sub-commander in the Arab Brigade, and may also have become a UBL bodyguard while at Tora Bora. Detainee received training at multiple al-Qaida sponsored training camps, including advanced training in weapons, explosives, surveillance and reconnaissance, and advanced combat tactics in preparation for the PSAB attack mission. Detainee resided in al-Qaida supported guesthouses in Kandahar and Kabul, and his name appears on documents associated with al-Qaida.

- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to be an al-Qaida member. He had numerous al-Qaida associates, including senior al-Qaida operatives and members of his immediate family.
 - (S//NF) Al-Qaida operative and Tora Bora commander Hamud Dakhil Hamud Said al-Jadani, ISN US9SA-000230DP (SA-230, transferred), stated that Seria al-Mekki and a known al-Qaida recruiter named Anjasha recruited detainee and SA-231, detainee's brother.¹⁶ (Analyst note: SA-231 admitted he was recruited by Anjasha. Detainee has not. Anjasha is assessed to be al-Qaida recruiter Ibrahim Husayn Ali al-Harithi, aka (Anjasha). Anjasha recruited several other JTF-GTMO detainees.¹⁷)
 - (S//NF) The Saudi Arabian internal security service, the Mabahith, questioned detainee's father regarding Anjasha, because Mabahith believed detainee was a "victim" of Anjasha's recruitment efforts.¹⁸

¹⁶ 000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005

¹⁷ IIR 6 034 0266 02, TD 314/43756-02

¹⁸ >TD-314-47512-02, SA-231 SCI Supplement

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- (S//NF) According to SA-231, Anjasha spoke to detainee and his brothers, Abd al-Rahman and SA-231, about jihad and the duty of Muslims to join jihad. Detainee stated that it was his religious duty to fight in Afghanistan for the Taliban, and that after discussing the matter with his father, he decided to go to Kabul to fight.¹⁹
- (S//NF) SA-230 stated that detainee and SA-231 received money from Anjasha.²⁰ (Analyst Note: Sharqawi Abdu Ali al-Hajj, aka (“Riyadh the Facilitator”), ISN PK9YM-001457DP (YM-1457), stated that Anjasha, a veteran of jihad in Bosnia, gave YM-1457 money to facilitate fighters’ travel into Afghanistan.)
- (S//NF) Detainee admitted he traveled to Afghanistan seeking jihad and martyrdom, motivated by the death of his elder brother Abbad in Chechnya. In December 2000, Abbad’s friend, Seria al-Mekki, assisted him in traveling to Afghanistan.²¹
- (S//NF) Senior al-Qaida operative Zayn al-Abidin Muhammad Husayn, aka (Abu Zubaydah) US9GZ-010016DP (GZ-10016), identified detainee as one of four Saudi brothers, and the younger brother of SA-231. GZ-10016 stated he first met detainee and SA-231 in Kabul in 2000 or 2001.
- (S//NF) Senior al-Qaida operative Walid Muhammad Salih Bin Attash, aka (Khallad), aka (Silver), ISN US9YM-010014DP (YM-10014), identified detainee as one of four brothers. YM-10014 claimed he had met the other three brothers, including SA-231, in mid-2000 at a guesthouse in Kandahar.²²
- (S//NF) A variant of detainee’s name, Hammam al-Nadji Abd al-Rizq al-Sharkh, was found on a list of dead or wounded al-Qaida members dated mid-April to mid-June 2002. The list was on a computer hard drive that was captured along with senior al-Qaida operational planner Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, ISN US9KU-010024DP. The hard drive was linked to senior al-Qaida finance operative Mustafa Ahmad al-Hawsawi.²³ Next to detainee’s name was the annotation, “He was killed at Tora Bora at less than 20 years old. He came from a mujahideen family. After his brother Abbad died in Chechnya, his mother sent him, along with two brothers, to jihad. His father visited him in Afghanistan.” (Analyst Note: The person the annotation refers to is assessed to be one of the detainee’s brothers. The brothers appear to have either periodically adopted each others’ identities as aliases or to have been confused by other al Qaida members for each other.)
- (S//NF) Detainee’s father is also a probable al-Qaida member.

¹⁹ IIR 6 034 1258 03, 000231 302 06-JUN-2002, IIR 6 034 0132 06, 000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005, Analyst Note: Abd al-Rahman is believed to have been killed in Afghanistan (see TD-314/27540-02).

²⁰ TD-314/18693-02, IIR 6 034 0132 06

²¹ IIR 6 034 0119 06

²² TD-314/44432-03, TD-314/39255-03

²³ TD-314-17125-03

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- (S//NF) GZ-10016 stated he saw detainee's father at an al-Qaida guesthouse in Kabul in 2001. According to GZ-10016, detainee's father stayed at the guesthouse for approximately one month.²⁴
- (S//NF) SA-231 claimed his father financed his travel to Afghanistan. Detainee, SA-231, and two of their brothers traveled to Afghanistan with their father's knowledge and apparent approval.²⁵
- (S//NF) Assessed al-Qaida operative Abd al-Hakim Abd al-Karim Amin Bukhari, ISN US9SA-000493DP (SA-493), identified detainee and SA-231 as having connections to terrorist cells in the US and the United Kingdom.²⁶ SA-231's passport reflects travel to the US.²⁷ (Analyst Note: Like the other 30 al-Qaida fighters captured with him, detainee was not carrying his passport when he was arrested. Senior al-Qaida trainer and commander, Ali Muhammad Abdul Aziz al-Fakhri, aka (Ibn al-Shaykh al-Libi), ISN US9LY-000212DP (LY-212), reported that he instructed the al-Qaida fighters at Tora Bora to leave their passports behind and not to carry them to the Pakistani border.²⁸ No further information is available regarding SA-493's claim that detainee had ties to the US or UK, and the absence of his passport makes it impossible to confirm.)
- Detainee and SA-231 were selected and prepared by al-Qaida senior leadership for a special mission to attack US forces at PSAB in Saudi Arabia. The two brothers were to use SA-7 shoulder-fired SAMs to destroy US aircraft on the base.²⁹ (Analyst Note: A SA-7 SAM was fired onto PSAB in May 2002, but did not explode. This attack was likely the realization of the plot for which detainee and SA-231 had been training.)
 - (S//NF) Al-Qaida military commander Abu Hafis al-Masri, aka (Mohammed Atef), and al-Qaida Security Chief Sayf al-Adl personally selected detainee and SA-231 for a special mission to attack US forces at PSAB. Al-Adl and LY-212 personally oversaw the two brothers' training for this mission.³⁰
 - (S//NF) LY-212 stated that while providing explosives training at al-Faruq in April 2001, he was directed by senior al-Qaida operative Abu Hafis al-Masri to provide specialized SA-7 training to two Saudi nationals named Akrima and Hammam. LY-212

²⁴ TD-314/39716-03, TD-314/40344-05

²⁵ ➤TD-314/47512-02, SCI supplement

²⁶ ➤000493 SIR 09-JUN-2005, 000493 SIR 05-APR-07

²⁷ IIR 2 340 6172 02 (see section L number 6)

²⁸ ➤TD-314/48260-01

²⁹ ➤IIR 2 340 6274 02, IIR 2 340 6202 02, IIR 4 201 2515 04

³⁰ TD-314/01603-02, 000067 SIR 23-AUG-2005, 000067 SIR 11-APR-2006, 000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005, Analyst Note: Sayf al-Adl was the al-Qaida military operations supreme commander and the commander of the Tarnak Farm Training Camp. Al-Adl is also associated with al-Qaida's nuclear, biological, and chemical (NBC) weapons effort. He is assessed to have been involved in numerous al-Qaida operational plots and is wanted by the FBI for his involvement in the 7 August 1998 bombings of the US Embassies in Tanzania and Kenya. LY-212 was a trusted al-Qaida senior trainer and commander who previously commanded the Khaldan Training Camp in Khowst, AF.

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provided the training at a special site for three days.³¹ After the training, the pair was to conduct attacks against a US military base in Saudi Arabia.³² (Analyst Note: Akrima and Hammam are aliases for SA-231 and detainee.³³)

- (S//NF) Multiple sources, including detainee and SA-231, have corroborated reporting that the two received extensive and highly specialized training to prepare for this mission, directly supervised by LY-212 and Sayf al-Adl.³⁴
- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to be a former member of UBL's 55th Arab Brigade who engaged in combat action against US and Coalition forces at Tora Bora. Detainee was probably a sub-commander in the 55th Arab Brigade, and may also have become a UBL bodyguard while at Tora Bora.
 - (S//NF) Detainee admitted he fought on the primary and secondary battle lines at Bagram for eight or nine months in 2001 until Bagram fell to US and Coalition forces.³⁵ (Analyst Note: Bagram fell in November 2001, following an intensive combined Coalition and Northern Alliance offensive. Arab fighters on the Bagram lines belonged to elements of UBL's 55th Arab Brigade.)
 - (S//NF) Detainee was captured with 30 other assessed or admitted al-Qaida fighters who served as members of UBL's personal security detail at Tora Bora and fled the battlefield together. The group included 16 admitted or assessed UBL bodyguards; most of the remaining 15, including detainee, are possible or probable bodyguards.³⁶ Detainee admitted he traveled to the Pakistani border via the Tora Bora Mountains in the company of 20-30 other Arabs and two Afghan guides.³⁷
 - (S//NF) According to Yasin Muhammad Salih Mazeab Basardah, ISN US9YM-000252DP (YM-252), detainee is a jihadist from Saudi Arabia who belonged to the Mehjin Center (camp of fighters) in Tora Bora. YM-252 further stated that Yahya Samil Suwaymil al-Ulayani al-Salmi, ISN US9SA-000066DP (SA-066), became the leader of the Mehjin Center after Mehjin died, and that detainee was SA-066's deputy. SA-066 was a member of the group captured with detainee, and they reportedly trained together

³¹ TD-314/01603-02

³² >TD-314-09944-02, IIR 2 340 6274 02, IIR 2 340 6202, IIR 4 201 2515 04

³³ TD-314/27540-02

³⁴ TD-314/01603-02, 000067 SIR 23-AUG-2005, 000067 SIR 11-APR-2006, 000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005, IIR 6 034 1727 03, IIR 6 034 1329 03

³⁵ 000067 SIR 29-SEP-2004, IIR 6 034 0072 05, Analyst Note: Karabagh, Khwaja Ghar, Kabul, and Bagram were all operating areas of UBL's 55th Arab Brigade, supporting the assessment that the detainee was a member of the 55th Arab Brigade.

³⁶ >00067 302 18-MAR-2002, IIR 6 034 0320 02, TRRS-04-01-0717, TD-314-00845-02, 000027 302 18-MAR-2002, Bodyguard Profile INTSUM 23-OCT-2006, Dirty Thirty Assessment 14-APR-2006

³⁷ TD-314-06932-02, 000067 302 12-SEP-2003, IIR 6 034 0087 06

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at al-Faruq and received advanced training at Tarnak Farm.³⁸ The Mehjin Center is assessed to have been an element of the 55th Arab Brigade.

- (S//NF) According to YM-252, SA-066 and detainee commanded approximately 15 fighters responsible for guarding a river crossing leading to a Tora Bora camp.³⁹
- (S//NF) Detainee was possibly a UBL bodyguard. YM-252 also stated that SA-066 became one of UBL's bodyguards while he was at Tora Bora.⁴⁰ (Analyst Note: Since detainee was SA-066's deputy and detainee was captured along with SA-066 and a large number of UBL bodyguards, it is possible the detainee also became a UBL bodyguard at Tora Bora. Detainee met all the requirements for a UBL bodyguard.⁴¹)
 - (S//NF) Detainee stated he witnessed a meeting held in Tora Bora which included al-Qaida leaders Abu Thabbit, Sayf al-Adl, Abd al-Qadoos, Sulaiman Abu Ghaith, Ali Mahmoud, and others.⁴² (Analyst Note: It is unlikely detainee would be allowed to witness a high-level meeting if he did not hold a position of authority or trust among the senior al-Qaida commanders at Tora Bora.)
- (S//NF) Detainee received training at multiple al-Qaida sponsored training camps, including advanced training in weapons, explosives, surveillance and reconnaissance, and specialized, advanced combat tactics in preparation for the PSAB attack mission.
 - (S//NF) Mohammed Hashim, ISN US9AF-000850DP (AF-850), identified detainee as Shaykh Abdul Razzaq, whom he saw receiving training at the Khotal e-Morcha terrorist training camp near Kandahar in about 2000.⁴³ (Analyst Note: No further information is available about this training.)
 - (S//NF) Detainee admitted attending the al-Faruq Training Camp in late 2000, where he received basic training.⁴⁴ (Analyst Note: The basic course at al-Faruq lasted six weeks and provided religious indoctrination and basic instruction in weapons, marksmanship, small unit tactics, and topography. The basic training period was commonly used by al-Qaida trainers and senior commanders to vet new recruits and screen them for more advanced training and special missions. Base on detainee's admitted subsequent travel to the Tarnak Farms camp, this training probably started in about October 2000.)

³⁸ >000252 SIR 23-NOV-2004, Bodyguard Profile INTSUM 23-OCT-2006, Dirty Thirty Assessment 14-APR-2006, IIR 6 034 1727 03, IIR 6 034 1329 03

³⁹ 000252 302 17-MAR-03, 000252 302 19-MAR-2003, IIR 6 034 1014 03, IIR 6 034 0705 03

⁴⁰ 000252 FM40 14-FEB-2005

⁴¹ >Bodyguard Profile INTSUM 23-OCT-2006, Dirty Thirty Assessment 14-APR-2006

⁴² 000067 SIR 13-MAY-2006

⁴³ IIR 6 034 1165 03

⁴⁴ 000067 SIR 20-OCT-2004

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- (S//NF) Detainee admitted he was trained in the use of a wide range of small arms and rocket-propelled grenades, field maneuver, first aid, receiving and obeying orders, and other skills consistent with the basic course at al-Faruq.⁴⁵
- (S//NF) GZ-10016 confirmed that detainee and detainee's brother, SA-231, trained at al-Faruq.⁴⁶
- (S//NF) YM-252 stated that there was a special group at al-Faruq that trained and then disappeared. Additional special training for the group was also conducted at al-Qaida's elite Tarnak Farm Training Camp. YM-252 indicated that SA-066 was also a member of this group.⁴⁷
- (S//NF) Detainee received specialized training in preparation for the PSAB mission at Tarnak Farm Training Camp and at a location in Khowst, AF, under the direct supervision of Sayf al-Adl and LY-212.
 - (S//NF) Detainee admitted traveling to Tarnak Farm on the last night of Ramadan 2000 (26 December 2000), and spending seven weeks in specialized training. Detainee claimed that his first instructor was Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan (IMU) leader Ibn Khattab and that he was trained in surveillance, countersurveillance, and intelligence by senior al-Qaida operative Sayf al-Adl.⁴⁸
 - (S//NF) SA-230 stated detainee and SA-231 attended specialized training at Tarnak Farm with Saad Bin Laden, one of Usama Bin Laden's sons, in 2000. SA-230 added that detainee and SA-231 received one-on-one training for free because the trainers knew Abbad, their deceased brother.⁴⁹ Detainee indicated his training at Tarnak Farm lasted for about two months, with an additional three days of SA-7 training.⁵⁰
 - (S//NF) Detainee admitted that after he received SA-7 training he traveled to Khowst with his brother, SA-231, to receive tactics training.⁵¹ Detainee admitted he received advanced combat training, to include intelligence and surveillance operations, use of explosives, and use of weapons, including firing weapons from moving vehicles.⁵²

⁴⁵ IIR 6 034 0072 05

⁴⁶ TD-314-39716-03, TD-314-40344-05

⁴⁷ IIR 6 034 1727 03

⁴⁸ IIR 6 034 0119 06, 00067 SIR 23-AUG-2005, 000067 SIR 11-APR-2006, 000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005, Analyst Note: IMU is a Priority 1B counterterrorism (CT) target under the National Intelligence Priorities Framework (NIPF). Priority 1B targets are defined as terrorist groups, especially those with state support, countries that sponsor terrorism, or countries that have state organizations involved in terrorism that have demonstrated both intention and capability to attack US persons or interests.

⁴⁹ IIR 6 034 0416 05

⁵⁰ IIR 6 034 0120 06, TD-314/25629-06

⁵¹ 000067 SIR 11-APR-2006

⁵² IIR 6 034 0119 06, 000067 SIR 23-AUG-2005, 000067 SIR 11-APR-2006

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- (S//NF) GZ-10016 recalled that detainee and SA-231 paid for specialized training on conducting attacks from vehicles by former Khaldan camp instructor Abu Nasser al-Tunisi.⁵³ According to GZ-10016, Abu Nasser al-Tunisi trained Saudi mujahideen on conventional military tactics and weapons in Lowgar, AF. GZ-10016 added that al-Tunisi had a relationship with Ziyad al-Khair, who trained at Khaldan in 1995 and may have conducted training out of his home, also in Lowgar.⁵⁴ Detainee admitted visiting the home of Ziyad al-Khair on multiple occasions.⁵⁵
- (S//NF) Detainee resided in al-Qaida supported guesthouses in Kandahar and Kabul, and his name appears on documents associated with al-Qaida.
 - (S//NF) Detainee claimed to have initially been taken to a guesthouse co-located with the Islamic Institute in Kandahar. He stated that he did not reside in this guesthouse but rather traveled to a location near the airport.⁵⁶ (Analyst Note: The Islamic Institute was probably the Institute for Islamic Studies operated by former senior al-Qaida operative Abu Hafs al-Mauritani.)
 - (S//NF) Detainee stated he was picked up at the airport by Abu Dahak and taken to a guesthouse in Kandahar. Abu Dahak was IMU leader Ibn Khattab's representative in Afghanistan.⁵⁷
 - (S//NF) YM-252 stated he first met detainee while in the Hamza al-Ghamdi Guesthouse in Kabul.⁵⁸
- (S//NF) Prior to the visit of a Saudi government delegation to JTF-GTMO in 2002, the Saudi government provided information about 37 detainees whom they designated as high priority. Detainee was number one on that list.⁵⁹

c. (U//FOUO) Detainee's Conduct: Detainee is assessed to be a **LOW** threat from a detention perspective. Detainee's overall behavior has been mostly compliant and rarely hostile to the guard force and staff. Detainee currently has 39 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction listed in DIMS, with the most recent occurring on 19 April 2007, when he wrote in a library book. Detainee has 2 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction for assault, with the most recent occurring on 3 June 2003, when he threw his meal trash at a guard. Other incidents for which detainee has been disciplined include failure to follow guard instructions and camp rules, cross block communications, damage to government property, assault, and possession

⁵³TD-314/40344-05, TD-314/47433-02

⁵⁴TD-314/47433-02

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⁵⁶000067 SIR 20-JUL-2005

⁵⁷000067 SIR 30-SEP-2005

⁵⁸000252 SIR 23-NOV-2004, Analyst Note: Hamza al-Ghamdi's Guesthouse was also known as the Azzam Guesthouse. It was owned and run by Hamza al-Ghamdi, a senior al-Qaida operative and one of UBL's most trusted aides (see 000252 SIR 30-AUG-2004, IIR 6 034 0837 02, and IIR 6 034 0066 06).

⁵⁹TD-314/27540-02

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of food and weapon and non-weapon type contraband. Detainee had a total of two Reports of Disciplinary Infraction in 2006, and one so far in 2007.

8. (U) Detainee Intelligence Value Assessment:

a. (S) Assessment: Detainee is assessed to be of **HIGH** intelligence value. Detainee's most recent interrogation session occurred on 21 June 2007.

b. (S//NF) Placement and Access: Detainee trained at numerous al-Qaida training facilities, including the al-Faruq Training Camp, the elite Tarnak Farm Training Camp, and a location near Khowst where he received specialized training. He possibly stayed at UBL's Mall Six Compound and other al-Qaida guest houses. He was vetted by senior al-Qaida trainers and leaders at al-Faruq, and was selected along with his brother (SA-231) and SA-066 to join a cadre trained for the PSAB attack mission. Detainee's mission training was personally overseen by al-Qaida intelligence and security chief Sayf al-Adl, who remains at large, and senior trainer LY-212. Detainee joined the 55th Arab Brigade on the battle lines at Bagram, and possibly withdrew with his unit toward Kandahar and to Khowst. Detainee was probably a sub-commander at Khowst under SA-066, with a unit of 15 al-Qaida fighters. He witnessed meetings of senior al-Qaida commanders, including Sayf al-Adl and Suleiman Abu Ghaith, at Tora Bora, and may have joined UBL's personal security detail there, possibly as a bodyguard. He was captured with 30 other al-Qaida fighters who made up UBL's security detail, all of whom are current or former detainees at JTF-GTMO.

c. (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment: Detainee has been a valuable source of information about the PSAB attack mission, and has been the most important source of information about his brother's role in that mission and training timeline. Detainee has not reported about his relationship with SA-066 or the role of SA-066 in the PSAB plot or at Tora Bora. Detainee has provided only limited information about Sayf al-Adl, who remains at large, though his mission training was personally overseen by al-Adl and he was present with al-Adl at Tora Bora. Detainee has provided no information regarding UBL, UBL's security practices and bodyguards, or any of the other information expected as a result of placement as a UBL bodyguard or security detail member. Detainee has not yet been confirmed to have been a UBL bodyguard, and it is not clear whether he is specifically withholding valuable information about UBL and the bodyguards or whether he had only limited exposure to them. Detainee has been partially exploited but remains of significant intelligence value.

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

- Al-Qaida plot to attack PSAB, including other participants, planners, leaders, smuggling routes involved, and weapons caches

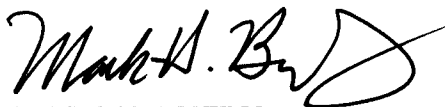
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- UBL's 55th Arab Brigade, including the activities and roles of other JTF-GTMO detainees who were members
- Al-Faruq and Tarnak Farms Training Camp
- UBL activities at Tora Bora and the Mall Six Compound
- UBL bodyguards at Tora Bora, including those detained at JTF-GTMO
- Sayf al-Adl's activities at Tarnak Farm and Tora Bora

9. (S) **EC Status:** Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 13 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*.