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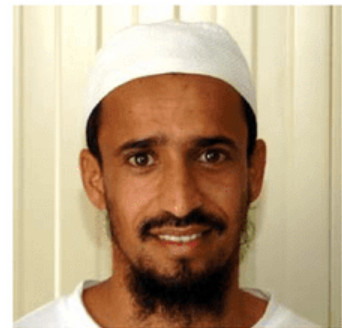
MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, United States Southern Command, 3511 NW 91st Avenue, Miami, FL 33172

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) for Guantanamo Detainee, ISN US9YM-000498DP (S)

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

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

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Mohammed Mohammed Ahmen Said
- Current/True Name and Aliases: Muhammad Ahmad Said Haydar, Muhammad Ahmad Said Hamadi al-Sabri, Sarqahal-Tazi, Shafiq, Charlly
- Place of Birth: Taiz, Yemen (YM)
- Date of Birth: 1978
- Citizenship: Yemen
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9YM-000498DP



**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 Transfer Out of DoD (TRO) 21 April 2007.

**b. (S//NF) Executive Summary:** Detainee is assessed to be a member of al-Qaida. Detainee was identified as an al-Qaida fighter and assessed to have served under the command of Ali Muhammad Abdul Aziz al-Fakhri, aka (Ibn al-Shaykh al-Libi), ISN US9LY-000212DP (LY-212, transferred), in Usama Bin Laden's (UBL) Tora Bora Mountain complex. Detainee was injured during hostilities against US and Coalition forces and is also assessed to be a fighter in UBL's 55th Arab Brigade on the front lines near Kabul,

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Afghanistan (AF) before retreating to Tora Bora. Detainee was recruited by a well-known al-Qaida operative, Abu Khulud, who facilitated detainee's travel to Afghanistan in early 2000. Detainee spent two years in Afghanistan transiting al-Qaida affiliated guesthouses and combat areas. Detainee received basic and advanced militant training in mountain warfare, the AK-47 assault rifle, PK machine gun, rocket propelled grenades (RPG), SPG-9 anti-armor rockets and 82mm mortars. Detainee's name and aliases were found on al-Qaida affiliated documents, and he reported working at the Islamic Institute in Kandahar known to be operated by UBL's religious advisor Abu Hafs al-Mauritani. **[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 **MEDIUM** 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 Capture information
- Updated Evaluation of Detainee's Account
- Provided analysis linking detainee's recruiter with a specific section of Taiz
- Added detainee's service at the Islamic Institute in Kandahar
- Added detainee's service under Shakir Abd al-Rahim Muhammad Aamer, ISN US9SA-000239DP (SA-239), in Tora Bora
- Raised detainee's threat to **HIGH** due to advanced training and uncooperativeness

#### **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 graduated from Taiz High School and then enrolled in a business school in Taiz, but did not graduate from the business school because he was unable to afford tuition. Detainee was temporarily self-employed, refilling propane tanks and worked as a mobile vendor selling flour and bottled water.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 000498 INITIAL SCREENING 28-JAN-2002, 000498 SIR 01-JUL-2004

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**b. (C//REL TO US AND GCTF) Recruitment and Travel:** In January or February 2000, Ibrahim al-Balawi, aka (Abu Khulud), approached detainee at the Thanawiya Taiz Mosque about training in Afghanistan. Abu Khulud told detainee he could train, find a job, get married, and live an overall better life in Afghanistan.<sup>2</sup> Detainee and Abu Khulud also talked about the training camps in Afghanistan and about how they should travel to Palestine to fight the Jews.<sup>3</sup> After advising detainee of which camp in Afghanistan to train,<sup>4</sup> Abu Khulud gave detainee 5,000 Yemeni riyals (approximately \$31 US) to purchase his passport. Abu Khulud also provided detainee a visa for Pakistan and airline tickets. Approximately one month later, detainee, Abu Khulud, and three others traveled to Sanaa, YM, with Abu Khulud paying all but \$100 US of detainee's travel expenses. From Sanaa, the group traveled to Kandahar, AF, via Karachi, Pakistan (PK), and Dubai, United Arab Emirates (AE). Upon arrival in Afghanistan, Abu Khulud took detainee's passport and returned alone to Yemen.<sup>5</sup>

**c. (U) Training and Activities:** Upon arrival in Kandahar, detainee stayed at the Arab Guesthouse. Detainee attended the al-Qaida al-Faruq Training Camp for four months receiving training on the AK-47 assault rifle, the PK machine gun, the rocket-propelled grenade (RPG), and mountain tactics.<sup>6</sup> Detainee also reported he worked for a period at the Mahad al-Sharia (Islamic Law Institute) in Kandahar.<sup>7</sup> Detainee claimed he intended to leave Afghanistan following the training, but he was informed his passport was lost and encouraged to go to the front lines until it was found, at which time he could leave. Detainee complied and went to the front lines to fight with the Taliban against the Northern Alliance. While serving on the rear lines north of Kabul, AF, detainee received training on the M-43 mortar and SPG-9 anti-armor rockets under the guidance of Abu Juhaynah.<sup>8</sup> Northern Alliance forces forced the fighters (to include detainee) to retreat to the mountains.<sup>9</sup> Detainee and a group of fighters walked around the mountains for nine days visiting various villages and begging for food. At one of the villages, an unidentified Afghan told detainee and his group to travel to Tora Bora. Upon arrival in the Tora Bora Mountains, detainee and his group, led by Abu Juhaynah (SA-239), sought shelter in a cave for 15 days. Despite warnings from his associates, detainee left the cave and subsequently sustained injury to his

<sup>2</sup> IIR 6 034 0056 05, In IIR 6 034 0564 02, detainee admitted knowing Abu Khulud for some time because they were from the same neighborhood in Taiz and belonged to the same soccer club.

<sup>3</sup> IIR 6 034 0564 02

<sup>4</sup> IIR 6 034 0803 02

<sup>5</sup> IIR 6 034 0056 05, IIR 6 034 0564 02

<sup>6</sup> IIR 6 034 0803 03, TD-314/00378-02, paragraph F; Analyst Note: The Arab Guesthouse in Kandahar is assessed to be the Hajji Habash Guesthouse, aka (al-Nibras Guesthouse), aka (Abu Zubayr Guesthouse) used as a transit station for recruits traveling between al-Faruq Training Camp and the front lines.

<sup>7</sup> TD-314/03378-02, paragraph F

<sup>8</sup> IIR 6 034 0564 02, Analyst Note: Variants for Juhaina include Juhayna, Johaina, Joheyina, and Johayna.

<sup>9</sup> IIR 6 034 0803 03

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ribs during US and Coalition bombing. Detainee stated he was detained approximately 15 December 2001.<sup>10</sup>

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

**a. (S//NF)** Detainee's account indicates detainee was part of the first attempt by al-Qaida forces to escape from Tora Bora. UBL appointed military commander in Tora Bora, LY-212, attempted to arrange a cease-fire with anti-Taliban forces approximately 13 December 2001 in order to secure safe passage for the fighters to their embassies in Pakistan. Following failed negotiations with anti-Taliban Afghan commanders, LY-212 arranged for Afghan guides to lead a large group of fighters out of Tora Bora into Pakistan to escape. The group of about 60-70 fighters departed and that night the group was attacked from the air. The guide and many others were killed or wounded; detainee was probably wounded during this attack. The survivors straggled back and LY-212 instructed those who could travel unaided to follow him to Pakistan, the wounded who could walk were directed to seek help with local villagers or enemy forces. Detainee was captured in Tora Bora approximately 15 December 2001.<sup>11</sup> Detainee was then transferred to US custody in Bagram, AF. Detainee's screening sheet noted he possessed an AK-47, three ammunition magazines, and a \$100 US bill upon capture.<sup>12</sup>

**b. (S) Property Held:**

- \$100 US<sup>13</sup>

**c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO: 3 May 2002**

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

- Personnel and activities associated with the al-Faruq Training Camp, including the basic course and the mountain tactics course
- Personnel and activities associated with recruiting and facilitation methodology, to include activities of Abu Khulud, an al-Qaida recruiter in Yemen

<sup>10</sup> >000498 INITIAL SCREENING 28-JAN-2002, TD-314/00378-02

<sup>11</sup> TD-314/14605-04, Withdrawal from Tora Bora Analysis; Analyst Note: Detainee was probably transferred to Kabul with those reported in IIR 6 034 1332 03. LY-212 is probably in Libyan External Security Organization control in Libya.

<sup>12</sup> IIR 6 034 0803 03, 000498 INITIAL SCREENING 28-JAN-2002

<sup>13</sup> Analyst Note: In 000252 302 20-JUN-2003, ISN US9YM-000252DP reported LY-212 gave \$100 US bills to all the Arabs in a prison near Parachinar, PK. In 000498 SIR 04-Dec-2007 detainee denied any knowledge of the \$100.

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- The Islamic Studies Institute in Kandahar, to include personnel and activities associated with the institute and its connection with the religious indoctrination of Muslim extremists
- Tribal association and affiliations in the area of Taiz

**6. (S//NF) Evaluation of Detainee's Account:** Detainee's account is only partially truthful. Detainee has provided an incomplete account of his activities and associations, at times in conflict with reporting from other JTF-GTMO detainees.<sup>14</sup> Detainee at times appears to cooperate with interrogators, but the veracity of his account is highly questionable, especially regarding information he has provided about other JTF-GTMO detainees. Detainee's date of departure from Yemen also conflicts with information provided by other JTF-GTMO detainees and he has denied being able to discuss even mundane issues about Afghanistan.<sup>15</sup> In a letter to his family, detainee admitted lying.<sup>16</sup> Although detainee is responsive during reservations, he continues to withhold information of intelligence value.

**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 a member of al-Qaida. Abu Khulud, a well-known al-Qaida member, recruited detainee in Yemen for jihad and facilitated detainee's movement to Afghanistan. Detainee is listed on al-Qaida affiliated documents, and reported working at the Islamic Institute in Kandahar known to be operated by UBL's religious advisor Abu Hafs al-Mauritani. Detainee is assessed to have participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces, during which he was injured, as a fighter commanded by LY-212 in UBL's Tora Bora Mountain complex. Detainee was identified as an al-Qaida fighter, assessed to be detainee's service in UBL's 55th Arab Brigade on the front lines. Detainee received basic and advanced militant training, including SPG-9 and 82mm mortar training, at al-Qaida supported training camps and stayed in al-Qaida guesthouses in Afghanistan.

- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to be a member of al-Qaida. Detainee was recruited by Abu Khulud (a well-known al-Qaida recruiter), is listed on al-Qaida affiliated documents, and reported working at the Islamic Institute in Kandahar known to be operated by UBL's religious advisor Abu Hafs al-Mauritani.

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<sup>14</sup> Analyst Note: As an example, in 000493 SIR 22-Sep-2005, detainee denied recognizing ISN US9YM-000321DP; while he is identified as an associate in 000653 MFR 28-Apr-2003.

<sup>15</sup> >000498 SIR 19-Nov-2007

<sup>16</sup> > IIR 6 034 0037 08

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- (S//NF) Detainee acknowledged Abu Khulud recruited him at the Thanawiya Taiz Mosque and facilitated detainee's travel to Afghanistan.<sup>17</sup>
  - (S//NF) Ali Hamza Ahmed Sulayman al-Bahlul, US9YM-000039DP (YM-039), verified Abu Khulud was a recruiter for al-Qaida in Yemen.<sup>18</sup> (Analyst Note: Abu Khulud was an al-Qaida member known to have recruited and facilitated many jihadists from Yemen to fight in Afghanistan. Many of Abu Khulud's recruits trained for jihad with al-Qaida.<sup>19</sup>)
  - (U) Detainee sends and receives letters to his family in the *Jumhuri* (Republic/Republican) Hospital area of Taiz, YM.<sup>20</sup> Other JTF-GTMO detainees are associated with both Abu Khulud and the Jumhuri Hospital area including Samir Naji al-Hasan Muqbil, ISN US9YM-000043DP (YM-043),<sup>21</sup> and Fahmi Abdallah Ahmad Ubadi al-Tulaqi, ISN US9YM-000688DP (YM-688).<sup>22</sup> (Analyst Note: While Abu Khulud's recruitment activities in Taiz are well known, Al-Qaida recruitment specifically in the Jumhuri Hospital area requires further investigation.)
- (S//NF) Detainee is listed on al-Qaida affiliated documents identifying the names and aliases of suspected al-Qaida members and the contents of their trust accounts. One such list was recovered during September 2002 raids on a suspected al-Qaida safe house in Karachi.<sup>23</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 the front lines or abroad. Trust accounts were simply storage compartments such as envelopes or folders that guesthouse administrators used to secure the individual's personal valuables, such as passports and plane tickets. These items were entrusted to the guesthouse until completion of training on other activity.)
- (S//NF) Detainee's name was also found on a second document entitled "Asra.doc," recovered from a hard drive associated with senior al-Qaida member Khalid Shaykh Muhammad, aka (KSM), ISN US9KU-010024DP (KU-10024).

<sup>17</sup> IIR 6 034 0056 05, Analyst Note: In 1997, Abu Khulud immigrated to Afghanistan, and swore *bayat* to UBL in 2001. He attended Khaldan Camp and operated the Hajji Habash Guesthouse. Abu Khulud was reportedly killed by US and Coalition air strikes in Kandahar.

<sup>18</sup> IIR 2 340 6086 02, Analyst Note: In the report, YM-039 is identified as source ID US-IR-7001-0031.

<sup>19</sup> Analyst Note: For additional comments about Abu Khulud, see 001457 SIR 08-OCT-2004. Abu Khulud's recruits included ISNs US9YM-000223DP (IIR 6 034 0365 02), US9YM-000522DP (IIR 6 034 0861 02), US9YM-000193DP (IIR 2 340 6690 02), and US9YM-000235DP (TD-314/28759-02).

<sup>20</sup> >GUAN-2006-B03337, GUAN-2005-A01664, Analyst Note: Variants of Jumhuri include Jumhouri and Jahmouri.

<sup>21</sup> >0001457 FM40 17-Jun-2004, IIR 6 034 0034 05, IIR 6 034 0056 06, 000043 302 06-FEB-2002

<sup>22</sup> >GUAN-2005-A03269, GUAN-2006-T02117, 000688 SIR 11-May-2005; Analyst Note: The following detainee's also have connections to the Taiz Jumhuri Hospital area: ISNs US9YM-000030DP (TD-314/50613-01), and US9YM-000550DP (IIR 6 034 0671 03).

<sup>23</sup> >TD-314/40693-02, number 254



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- Detainee's name is listed as a Yemeni national under the heading "The Captured Brothers."<sup>24</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee reported he worked at the Mahad al-Sharia (Islamic Law Institute) in Kandahar.<sup>25</sup> (Analyst Note: This is assessed to be the Islamic Institute in Kandahar operated by Abu Hafis al-Mauritani aka (Mahfuz Ould Al-Walid Ababah).<sup>26</sup> Abu Hafis was a UBL lieutenant,<sup>27</sup> the legal affairs adviser of Bin Ladin's Shura Council and his chief confidant on all religious matters. He also had a role in operational planning and training when the group was headquartered in Sudan in the mid-1990s.<sup>28</sup> KU-10024 stated in December 2001 while in Zormat, AF, he and Al-Qaida leaders received a message from UBL in which UBL delegated control of al-Qaida to the Shura Council which included Abu Hafis.<sup>29</sup> While detainee's exact duties at the institute are unknown, working at the institute may indicate detainee previously received Islamic training.)
  - (S//NF) The Yemeni Political Security Organization (PSO), identified Muhammad Ahmad Said Hamadi al-Sabri, assessed to be detainee, as a Yemeni jihadist believed to be in Afghanistan in approximately December 2001.<sup>30</sup>
  - (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to have participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces as a fighter commanded by LY-212 in UBL's Tora Bora Mountain complex, and also served as a fighter in UBL's 55th Arab Brigade on the Kabul front lines.<sup>31</sup>
    - (S//NF) Detainee reported his leader in Tora Bora was Abu Juhaynah,<sup>32</sup> assessed to be SA-239 who was identified as the commander of the Juhaynah Center.<sup>33</sup> Detainee also stated he was injured during bombing of Tora Bora.<sup>34</sup>

<sup>24</sup> >TD-314/13174-03, listed as Muhammad Ahmad Said Muhammad Hammadi aka (Sarqah al-Taizi). Analyst Note: A variant of Taizi is Tazi.

<sup>25</sup> >TD-314/03378-02

<sup>26</sup> >000575 302 04-JUL-2002, 000575 SIR 07-JUN-2004, IIR 6 034 0173 02, TD-314/06291-02

<sup>27</sup> >SECSTATE 112561 16-Jun-2005

<sup>28</sup> >D-4J2-2617-009-05, TD-314/48870-02

<sup>29</sup> >TD-314/53781-04

<sup>30</sup> TD-314/01498-02, paragraph 29; Analyst Note: CITF identified Al-Sabri in the report as US9YM-000324DP (YM-324). This is assessed to be an erroneous identification made on a last name association. YM-324 is Mashur Abdullah Muqbil Ahmed al-Sabri. An ICRC message (000489 PERSDOC GUAN-2007-A00094) included photographs from his family and is addressed to detainee with the ISN notation "US-0498" and the name Nohamed Ahmad Sayed Al Sabri – a variant spelling for Muhammad Ahmad Said al-Sabri. Another letter (GUAN-2005-A03240) was addressed to Muhammad Ahmad Said Haydar Hamadi.

<sup>31</sup> Analyst Note: The 55th Arab Brigade served as UBL's primary battle formation supporting Taliban objectives, with UBL participating closely in the command and control of the brigade. Nashwan Abd al-Razzaq Abd al-Baqi, aka (Abdul Hadi al-Iraqi), ISN US9IZ-010026DP (IZ-10026), had primary operational command of the 55th Arab Brigade, serving as UBL's military commander in the field. For additional information see 55th Arab Brigade 01-Feb-1998, FBI 3540-01548-026-0015, and DIA CAR 55th Arab Brigade 18-Sep-2001.

<sup>32</sup> >TD-314/03378-02, paragraph F

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- (S//NF) Yasin Muhammad Salih Mazeab Basardah, ISN US9YM-000252DP (YM-252), stated SA-239 was in charge of three trenches in Tora Bora, each with three-to-ten people assigned.<sup>35</sup> (Analyst Note: The centers in Tora Bora have been reported as caves, bunkers, and trenches which al-Qaida led forces occupied during operations against US and Coalition forces in November and December 2001.)
- (S//NF) Abd al-Hadi Omar Mahmoud Faraj, ISN US9SY-000329DP (SY-329), reported all Arabs were issued AK-47s when they entered Tora Bora.<sup>36</sup> YM-252 reported individuals could have continued to Pakistan but chose to travel to Tora Bora to fight. YM-252 further stated, "If you were in Tora Bora, you were not innocent. You were there to fight."<sup>37</sup> (Analyst Note: This statement supports the assessment that detainee was armed in Tora Bora and participated in hostilities.)
- (S) Detainee admitted being stationed on the rear lines near Kabul for four months. Detainee was then sent to the front lines to guard against the Northern Alliance.<sup>38</sup> Detainee also reported being a mujahid defending the Bagram front lines.<sup>39</sup>
- (S) Abd al-Zahir, ISN US9AF-000753DP (AF-753), identified detainee as an al-Qaida fighter from the al-Ashara Guesthouse. AF-753 who worked for IZ-10026 at the al-Ashara Guesthouse in Kabul.<sup>40</sup> The al-Ashara Guesthouse (Guesthouse 10) was located in the Karte Parwan area of Kabul. The house was used as a transit point for Arabs going to and coming from either the training camps or the frontline areas.<sup>41</sup> According to AF-753, Nashwan Abd al-Razzaq Abd al-Baqi, aka (Abd al-Hadi al-Iraqi), ISN US9IZ-010026DP (IZ-10016) operated the al-Ashara Guesthouse.<sup>42</sup>

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<sup>33</sup> >IIR 2 340 6334 02, 000511 302 21-Jun-2002, IIR 6 034 1300 03, IIR 6 034 1300 03, IIR 6 034 0086 03, IIR 6 034 1303 03, TD-314-03378-02, 000549 SIR 13-MAY-2002, TD-314/03378-02, IIR 6 034 1303 03, IIR 6 034 0281 07, Analyst Note: The word Center is used to describe fighting positions or defensive camps. The Juhaynah Center was named for it's commander, SA-239, aka (Abu Juhaynah).

<sup>34</sup> 000498 INITIAL SCREENING 28-JAN-2002, TD-314/00378-02

<sup>35</sup> IIR 6 034 1172 03, IIR 6 034 1303 03, IIR 6 034 1287 04, 000252 SIR 16-JAN-2003, 000239 MFR 18-JUL-2002, 000252 FM40 10-FEB-2005. For additional reporting on the Qurashi Center, see IIR 6 034 0537 03, IIR 2 340 6236 02, IIR 6 034 1495 03, IIR 2 340 6120 02, and IIR 6 034 0564 03. Qurashi may be listed as Karachi or another variant in the reports.

<sup>36</sup> >IIR 6 034 0055 05

<sup>37</sup> >000252 SIR 31-DEC-2004

<sup>38</sup> IIR 6 034 0803 03

<sup>39</sup> 000498 PROFILE 29-MAY-2002

<sup>40</sup> IIR 6 034 0231 03, IIR 6 034 0312 03

<sup>41</sup> IIR 6 034 0231 03

<sup>42</sup> IIR 6 034 0231 03; Analyst Note: For additional information on IZ-10016 and the front lines, see IIR 2 340 6093 02, IIR 6 034 1301 04, IIR 6 034 0913 03, IIR 6 034 0265 02, IIR 2 340 7121 02



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- (S//NF) Arkan Muhammad Ghafil al-Karim, ISN US9IZ-000653DP (IZ-653), photo-identified detainee and said he was present on the front lines near Kabul in late 1999 or early 2000.<sup>43</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee received basic and advanced training at al-Qaida affiliated training facilities in Afghanistan.
  - (S//NF) Detainee admitted training for four months at the al-Qaida sponsored al-Faruq Training Camp. Detainee received training in mountain warfare, the AK-47 assault rifle, PK machine gun, and RPGs.<sup>44</sup> (Analyst Note: Basic training was only about eight weeks long, indicating detainee also received advanced training in Afghanistan.)
    - (S//NF) Detainee reported he wanted to leave Afghanistan after the training was over and return to Yemen until he could travel to Palestine. He decided to wait until the border was opened and then travel to help fight against the Jews.<sup>45</sup> Detainee stated he wanted to prepare himself to fight because Jews were killing innocent Palestinians and that the same thing was happening in Afghanistan.<sup>46</sup>
    - (S//NF) Detainee admitted staying at the Arab guesthouse in Kandahar.<sup>47</sup> (Analyst Note: The Arab guesthouse is assessed to be the Hajji Habash Guesthouse, aka (al-Ansar), aka (al-Nibras), a waypoint and processing center for recruits transiting to and from local training camps in the Kandahar area.<sup>48</sup>)
  - (S//NF) Detainee received 82 mm mortar training at Markez Malik (Malik Camp) near Bagram.<sup>49</sup> Detainee also trained on the SPG-9 anti-tank recoilless rifle under the guidance of Abu Juhaynah.<sup>50</sup> (Analyst Note: The SPG-9 and 82mm mortar training constitute advanced al-Qaida training.)

**c. (S//NF) Detainee's Conduct:** Detainee is assessed to be a **LOW** threat from a detention perspective. His overall behavior has been compliant and non-hostile to the guard force and staff. He currently has 12 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction listed in DIMS with the most recent occurring on 26 July 2006, when he was cross block talking when instructed not to. He has one Report of Disciplinary Infraction for assault occurring on 14 January 2005, when he struck a guard. Other incidents for which he has been disciplined include inciting and participating in mass disturbances, failure to follow guard instructions/camp rules, damage to

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<sup>43</sup> IIR 6 034 1331 03

<sup>44</sup> IIR 6 034 0803 03, 000498 302 13-MAY-2002

<sup>45</sup> IIR 6 034 0564 02

<sup>46</sup> IIR 6 034 0803 03

<sup>47</sup> IIR 6 034 0803 02

<sup>48</sup> IIR 6 034 0968 03, Analyst Note: This guesthouse was known by many names, some which may have been used by multiple guesthouses in the same city.

<sup>49</sup> 000498 INITIAL SCREENING 28-JAN-2002

<sup>50</sup> IIR 6 034 0564 02

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government property and possession of food and non-weapon type contraband. In 2007, he had no Reports of Disciplinary Infraction and none so far in 2008.

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

**a. (S) Assessment:** Detainee is assessed to be of **MEDIUM** intelligence value. Detainee's most recent interrogation session occurred on 31 January 2008.

**b. (S//NF) Placement and Access:** Detainee is a committed jihadist and gained experience for over a year in the al-Qaida affiliated training camps, guesthouses, and combat fronts of Afghanistan. IZ-653 commented that detainee was "well-connected within the JTF-GTMO detention facility."<sup>51</sup> While detainee is a well-trained and experienced mujahid, there is no reporting which indicates he served in a key leadership or operational planning capacity. Although the full meaning of IZ-653's statement is unclear, his fellow JTF-GTMO detainees may respect him for sustaining injuries during jihad. Moreover, it may also be a reference to the detainee's admitted association with deceased al-Qaida facilitator, Abu Khulud.

**c. (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment:** Detainee is a veteran jihadist who was recruited for jihad in Afghanistan, trained and stayed at al-Qaida associated facilities, and fought on the front lines against US and Coalition forces. Detainee has provided multiple reports on his deceased recruiter and facilitator, but little on individuals who are still alive. Detainee likely has additional information on al-Qaida and 55th Arab Brigade personnel who were at the front lines near Bagram, Jalalabad, and Tora Bora, though it would probably include extensive and incriminating information on other JTF-GTMO detainees, particularly those Yemenis recruited by Abu Khulud. When a Yemeni delegation visited JTF-GTMO and asked detainee questions, two specific areas in which detainee failed to respond concerned aliases he possibly used and his knowledge of two Egyptians named Muhammad al-Baddawi and Abd al-Salam.<sup>52</sup>

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

- Al-Qaida and 55th Arab Brigade personnel at the Bagram lines and in Tora Bora
- Egyptian extremist in Yemen
- Support to terrorist organizations in Yemen
- Terrorist and foreign fighters training and motivation
- Terrorist travel facilitators
- Terrorist biological and psychological information
- Terrorist operations in CENTCOM Area of Operations

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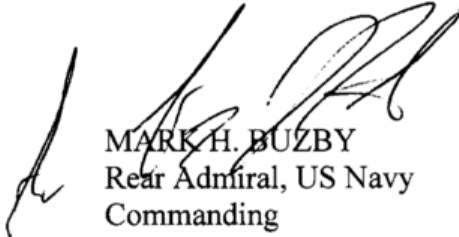
<sup>51</sup> IIR 6 034 1331 03

<sup>52</sup> Yemen Delegation Transcripts 02-JUL-2005

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9. (S) **EC Status:** Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 2 November 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*.