

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MOHAMMED MOHAMMED)
HASSEN, *et al.*,)
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Petitioners,)
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v.) Civil Action No. 04-CV-1254 (HKK)
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GEORGE W. BUSH,)
President of the United States, *et al.*,)
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Respondents.)
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DECLARATION OF JAMES R. CRISFIELD JR.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Commander James R. Crisfield Jr., Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Navy, hereby state that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the following is true, accurate and correct:

1. I am the Legal Advisor to the Combatant Status Review Tribunals. In that capacity I am the principal legal advisor to the Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals, and provide advice to Tribunals on legal, evidentiary, procedural, and other matters. I also review the record of proceedings in each Tribunal for legal sufficiency in accordance with standards prescribed in the Combatant Status Review Tribunal establishment order and implementing directive.

2. I hereby certify that the documents attached hereto constitute a true and accurate copy of the portions of the record of proceedings before the Combatant Status Review Tribunal related to petitioner Mohammed Mohammed Hassen that are suitable for public release. The portions of the record that are classified or considered law enforcement sensitive are not attached

hereto. I have redacted the names and addresses of detainee family members and information that would personally identify certain U.S. Government personnel in order to protect the personal security of those individuals. I have also redacted internee serial numbers because certain combinations of internee serial numbers with other information become classified under applicable classification guidance.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 21 Oct 04



James R. Gitsfield Jr.
CDR, JAGC, USN



Department of Defense
Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

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From: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunal

Subj: **REVIEW OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL FOR
DETAINEE ISN # [REDACTED]**

Ref: (a) Deputy Secretary of Defense Order of 7 July 2004
(b) Secretary of the Navy Order of 29 July 2004

1. I concur in the decision of the Combatant Status Review Tribunal that Detainee ISN # [REDACTED] meets the criteria for designation as an Enemy Combatant, in accordance with references (a) and (b).
2. This case is now considered final and the detainee will be scheduled for an Administrative Review Board.

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J. M. McGARRAH
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MEMORANDUM

From: Legal Advisor

To: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunal

Subj: LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL
FOR DETAINEE ISN # [REDACTED]Ref: (a) Deputy Secretary of Defense Order of 7 July 2004
(b) Secretary of the Navy Implementation Directive of 29 July 2004Encl: (1) Appointing Order for Tribunal #7 of 13 September 2004
(2) Record of Tribunal Proceedings

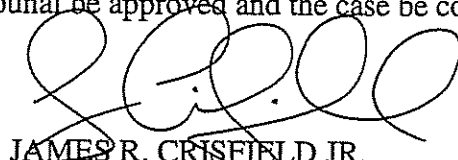
1. A legal sufficiency review has been completed on the subject Combatant Status Review Tribunal in accordance with references (a) and (b). After reviewing the record of the Tribunal, I find that:

- a. The detainee was properly notified of the Tribunal process and made a sworn statement.
- b. The Tribunal was properly convened and constituted by enclosure (1).
- c. The Tribunal substantially complied with the provisions of references (a) and (b).
- d. The detainee requested fourteen witnesses, comprising the other individuals that he was captured with. The Tribunal President determined that the witnesses were relevant but fourteen would be cumulative. The President directed the detainee to identify two witnesses to testify. The detainee identified two individuals. One of the two was produced and testified at the Tribunal. The other declined to testify and therefore was not reasonably available within the meaning of reference (b). In my opinion, the Tribunal President's determinations were not an abuse of discretion. The detainee made no other requests for evidence.
- e. The Tribunal's decision that detainee # [REDACTED] is properly classified as an enemy combatant was unanimous.
- f. The detainee's Personal Representative was given the opportunity to review the record of proceedings and declined to submit comments.

2. The proceedings and decision of the Tribunal are legally sufficient and no corrective action is required.

Subj: LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL
FOR DETAINEE ISN # [REDACTED]

3. I recommend that the decision of the Tribunal be approved and the case be considered final.



JAMES R. CRISFIELD JR.
CDR, JAGC, USN



Department of Defense
Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

13 Sep 04

From: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

Subj: APPOINTMENT OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL #7

Ref: (a) Convening Authority Appointment Letter of 9 July 2004

By the authority given to me in reference (a), a Combatant Status Review Tribunal established by "Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba" dated 29 July 2004 is hereby convened. It shall hear such cases as shall be brought before it without further action of referral or otherwise.

The following commissioned officers shall serve as members of the Tribunal:

MEMBERS:

[REDACTED] Colonel, U.S. Army; President

[REDACTED] Commander, JAGC, U.S. Navy; Member (JAG)

[REDACTED] Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy; Member

J. M. McGARRAH
Rear Admiral
Civil Engineer Corps
United States Naval Reserve




HEADQUARTERS, OARDEC FORWARD
GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA
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14 October 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, CSRT

FROM: OARDEC FORWARD Commander

SUBJECT: CSRT Record of Proceedings ICO ISN 

1. Pursuant to Enclosure (1), paragraph (I)(5) of the *Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba* dated 29 July 2004, I am forwarding the Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report for the above mentioned ISN for review and action.

2. If there are any questions regarding this package, point of contact on this matter is the undersigned at DSN 660-3088.

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DAVID L. TAYLOR
Colonel, USAF

(U) Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report Cover Sheet

(U) This Document is UNCLASSIFIED Upon Removal of Enclosures (2) and (4).


(U) TRIBUNAL PANEL: #7

(U) ISN#:

Ref: (a) (U) Convening Order for Tribunal #7 of 13 September 2004 (U)
(b) (U) CSRT Implementation Directive of 29 July 2004 (U)
(c) (U) DEPSECDEF Memo of 7 July 2004 (U)

Encl: (1) (U) Unclassified Summary of Basis for Tribunal Decision (U/FOUO)
(2) (U) Classified Summary of Basis for Tribunal Decision (S/NF)
(3) (U) Summary of Detainee and Witness Testimony (U/FOUO)
(4) (U) Copies of Documentary Evidence Presented (S/NF)
(5) (U) Tribunal President's Memo for Record dated 29 September 2004 (U)
(6) (U) Personal Representative's Record Review (U)

1. (U) This Tribunal was convened by references (a) and (b) to make a determination as to whether the detainee meets the criteria to be designated as an enemy combatant as defined in reference (c).

2. (U) On 12 October 2004, the Tribunal determined, by a preponderance of the evidence, that Detainee #  is properly designated as an enemy combatant as defined in reference (c).

3. (U) In particular, the Tribunal finds that this detainee is a member of, or affiliated with, Al Qaida forces, as more fully discussed in the enclosures.

4. (U) Enclosure (1) provides an unclassified account of the basis for the Tribunal's decision. A detailed account of the evidence considered by the Tribunal and its findings of fact are contained in enclosures (1) and (2).



Colonel, U.S. Army
Tribunal President

**UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF BASIS FOR TRIBUNAL
DECISION**

(Enclosure (1) to Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report)

TRIBUNAL PANEL: _____ #7 _____
ISN #: _____

1. Introduction

As the Combatant Status Review Tribunal (CSRT) Decision Report indicates, the Tribunal has determined that this detainee is properly classified as an enemy combatant and was part of or supporting Al Qaida forces. In reaching its conclusions, the Tribunal considered both classified and unclassified information. The following is an account of the unclassified evidence considered by the Tribunal and other pertinent information. Classified evidence considered by the Tribunal is discussed in Enclosure (2) to the CSRT Decision Report.

2. Synopsis of Proceedings

The Tribunal hearing commenced on 6 October 2004. The Recorder presented Exhibits R-1 and R-2 during the unclassified portion of the Tribunal. Exhibit R-1, the Unclassified Summary of Evidence, indicates the detainee, a Yemeni citizen who traveled to Pakistan in early 2001, was captured at the "Crescent Mill" guesthouse in Faisalabad, Pakistan and was identified by a senior Al Qaida lieutenant; and a senior Al Qaida lieutenant identified the detainee as having possibly seen the detainee in Afghanistan. Exhibit R-2 is discussed below in paragraph 5. The Recorder called no witnesses.

The detainee participated actively in the Tribunal process. After the detainee was sworn, he testified that he was a student in Pakistan at Salafi University studying the Koran, and that he had enrolled at the university 4 months prior to his arrest. He stated that he went to visit some other Yemenis at a house after being invited by a friend, Emad. During the night of his first and only visit to the house, the detainee stated he was arrested by the Pakistani police, together with everyone else staying at the house. The detainee denied being a member of Al Qaida or ever going to Afghanistan. The detainee also called another detainee, ISN # [REDACTED] as a witness. ISN # [REDACTED]'s testimony was consistent with that of the detainee. The detainee's sworn testimony, and the sworn testimony of his witness, including their responses to questions posed to them, are summarized in Enclosure (3) to the CSRT Decision Report.

During the classified session of the Tribunal, the Recorder presented Exhibits R-3 through R-12 without comment. The Personal Representative introduced classified Exhibits D-b through D-f and commented on the evidence. After the Tribunal read the classified exhibits and reconvened, the Tribunal President asked the Recorder to produce

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additional evidence. Accordingly, the Tribunal recessed to give the Recorder the opportunity to retrieve the requested information.

On 11 October 2004, the Tribunal reconvened to allow the Recorder to present the additional evidence requested by the Tribunal. The Recorder presented Exhibits R-13 through R-22, all of which are classified, for the Tribunal's consideration. The Personal Representative presented no additional exhibits, and neither the Recorder nor the Personal Representative commented on the evidence. After recessing and reviewing the additional evidence, the Tribunal reconvened and asked the Recorder for additional classified evidence relating to the classified exhibits just introduced. The Tribunal recessed again to permit the Recorder to obtain the evidence.

On 12 October 2004, the Tribunal reconvened again. The recorder presented Exhibits R-23 through R-29 without comment. The Personal Representative commented on the evidence, but introduced no additional exhibits. The Tribunal made one additional request for evidence at the hearing, which the Recorder was able to fulfill during the session itself (Exhibits R-30 and R-31), and the Tribunal closed for deliberations. After carefully considering all of the testimony and evidence provided to the Tribunal, the Tribunal concluded that the detainee is properly classified as an enemy combatant.

3. Evidence Considered by the Tribunal

The Tribunal considered the following evidence in reaching its conclusions:

- a. Exhibits: D-a through D-f and R-1 through R-31.
- b. Testimony of the following persons:
 - ISN # [REDACTED] (See Enclosure (3) to the CSRT Decision Report).
- c. Sworn statement of the detainee:
 - See Enclosure (3) to the CSRT Decision Report.

4. Rulings by the Tribunal on Detainee Requests for Evidence or Witnesses

The detainee requested that all those individuals captured with him serve as witnesses at his Tribunal. The detainee asserted that the witnesses would testify that the house he visited and was arrested in was not a Taliban or Al Qaida guesthouse. Research by the Personal Representative determined that the detainee was arrested with 14 other individuals (see Exhibit D-a). The Tribunal President determined that the requested testimony was relevant; however, the Tribunal President also determined that producing all 14 witnesses was unreasonable given that their testimony would, according to the detainee, be the same. Accordingly, the Tribunal President indicated the detainee could identify two witnesses he would like to have testify. The detainee identified ISN # [REDACTED]

and ISN # [REDACTED]. The Personal Representative approached both witnesses and asked them to testify at the detainee's hearing. ISN # [REDACTED] declined to participate and did not testify at the hearing. ISN # [REDACTED] agreed to participate and did, in fact, testify at the Tribunal hearing. A summary of witness's testimony is included in Enclosure (3) to the CSRT Decision Report. The President's written response to the detainee's witness request is included as Enclosure (5) to the CSRT Decision Report. The President also provided a verbal response to the detainee during the Tribunal hearing.

The Detainee requested no additional evidence be produced.

5. Discussion of Unclassified Evidence

The Tribunal considered the following unclassified evidence in making its determinations:

a. The Recorder offered Exhibits R-1 and R-2 into evidence during the unclassified portion of the proceeding. Exhibit R-1 is the Unclassified Summary of Evidence. While this summary is helpful in that it provides a broad outline of what the Tribunal can expect to see, it is not persuasive in that it provides conclusory statements without supporting unclassified evidence. Accordingly, the Tribunal had to look to the classified exhibits for support of the Unclassified Summary of Evidence.

b. Exhibit R-2 is the detainee's Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia on 27 July 2004. In the petition, the detainee's brother, [REDACTED], acting as the detainee's next friend, asserts that the detainee is not and has never been an enemy alien, a lawful or unlawful belligerent, or combatant of any kind, including an enemy combatant (paragraph 15). He also states that the detainee went to Pakistan only to study Islamic law, and was doing so until he disappeared in the middle of 2002 (Exhibit S of the Writ of Habeas Corpus). The Tribunal considered [REDACTED]'s affidavit in reaching its conclusion and found the affidavit unpersuasive.

c. The detainee also testified under oath at the Tribunal. As noted above, the detainee testified that he was a student in Pakistan at Salafi University studying the Koran, and that he had enrolled at the university 4 months prior to his arrest. He stated that he went to visit some other Yemenis at a house after being invited by a friend, Emad. During the night of his first and only visit to the house, the detainee stated he was arrested by the Pakistani police, together with everyone else staying at the house. He denied being a member of Al Qaida or ever going to Afghanistan. The detainee then answered questions posed by the Personal Representative and Tribunal members. A summarized transcript of the detainee's sworn testimony is attached as CSRT Decision Report Enclosure (3). When considered in conjunction with the classified evidence, the detainee's testimony was not persuasive.

d. [REDACTED], ISN # [REDACTED], testified at the request of the detainee. ISN # [REDACTED] stated that he did not know the detainee prior to being arrested. He also testified that the detainee only visited the house where they were arrested on one occasion, and that was the time they were arrested. He stated that the detainee was a student at Salafi University, and that the detainee was visiting some friends at the house. ISN # [REDACTED]'s testimony contained numerous inconsistencies regarding such things as how long ISN # [REDACTED] lived at the house, whether ISN # [REDACTED] was a student at the university or not, and whether ISN # [REDACTED] went to the Yemeni Embassy for help in getting back to Yemen. As a result, the Tribunal found that ISN # [REDACTED] was not a credible witness. A summarized transcript of ISN # [REDACTED]'s sworn testimony is attached as CSRT Decision Report Enclosure (3).

As noted above, the Tribunal also relied on certain classified evidence in reaching its decision. A discussion of the classified evidence is found in Enclosure (2) to the Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report.

6. Consultations with the CSRT Legal Advisor

Prior to making the ruling regarding the detainee's witness request, the Tribunal President consulted with the CSRT Assistant Legal Advisor. The CSRT Assistant Legal Advisor concurred with the Tribunal President's response to the request, which is attached as Exhibit (5) to the CSRT Decision Report.

7. Conclusions of the Tribunal

Upon careful review of all the evidence presented in this matter, the Tribunal makes the following determinations:

- a. The detainee was mentally and physically capable of participating in the proceeding. No medical or mental health evaluation was deemed necessary.
- b. The detainee understood the Tribunal proceedings and actively participated in the hearing.
- c. The detainee is properly classified as an enemy combatant and was part of or supporting Al Qaida forces.

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8. Dissenting Tribunal Member's report

None. The Tribunal reached a unanimous decision.

Respectfully submitted,



Colonel, U.S. Army
Tribunal President

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Summarized Detainee Statement

Tribunal President: Muhammad, you made a request to us for witnesses. Your request was for the witnesses to be any of the members or group of people who were arrested at the same time you were. We identified there were 14 people arrested at the same time you were. Although we did determine your request was relevant, we did not think it was reasonable to try and bring in 14 witnesses. So we asked you to identify 2 witnesses that would testify that you were a student studying in Pakistan. You indicated that you would identify 2 witnesses, but I understand that there is one witness here for you. Personal Representative, would you please explain why there is only one witness?

Personal Representative: Two witnesses were identified and one of them declined to participate.

Tribunal President: Muhammad, we will have the opportunity to hear from your witness after we hear from you. Muhammad, you may now present any evidence you have to the Tribunal. And you have the assistance of your Personal Representative in doing so. Do you want to present any information to this Tribunal?

Detainee: Yes, I do.

The Detainee was sworn using the Muslim oath and testified to the Tribunal in substance as follows:

Detainee: You indicated that I was associated with Al Qaida. How do you know this? Just because I am a Yemeni citizen, you accuse me of being an Al Qaida member or associated with Al Qaida. There are so many Yemenis that live in the States, are they Al Qaida as well? The fact that I went to Pakistan to study during the fight does not make me an Al Qaida member or associated with Al Qaida. I was there for a short while. I was there for less than a few hours. I went there to visit then leave. I was living on campus at the university I was attending. You spoke about the fact that someone saw me and thought I could possibly be a member of or associated with Al Qaida. I don't even know anybody. This is the first time I have heard of Al Qaida, in this prison. Do you have anything else to say?

Personal Representative: I would like to hear your reasons for going to Pakistan.

Detainee: I went there to learn the Koran.

Personal Representative: You said you were only at the place a few hours. Was this the house that you were captured at?

Detainee: All I knew was there were Yemeni people there.

Personal Representative: You went there for a visit?

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Detainee: Yes, just to visit.

Personal Representative: That is all I have for now.

Detainee: You believe anyone that gives you any information. What if that person made a mistake? Maybe that person looked at me and confused me with someone else. If you bring that same individual here that identified me as a member, or maybe saw me with somebody, that person probably does not even know me. I do not know Afghanistan. The only time I was there was when they took me to prison there. The Americans took me to Afghanistan. That is all I've got.

Tribunal President: Does the Recorder have any witnesses to present?

Recorder: No, Ma'am.

Tribunal President: Does the Recorder have any further evidence?

Recorder: No, Ma'am.

Tribunal President: Personal Representative, do you have any other questions for the Detainee?

Personal Representative: No, Ma'am.

Tribunal President: Recorder, do you have any questions for the Detainee?

Recorder: No, Ma'am.

Tribunal President: Do any Tribunal members have any questions for the Detainee?

Tribunal Member: Yes, Ma'am. What was the name of the school you were studying at?

Detainee: The name of it is Salafi University in Faisalabad.


Tribunal Member: When did you enroll or begin studies?

Detainee: Four months prior to my capture, I was enrolled.

Tribunal Member: What were you studying? What was your primary area of study?

Detainee: The Koran.

Tribunal Member: How did you travel from Yemen to Pakistan?

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Detainee: My father got me my passport, visa, and paid for my plane ticket.

Tribunal Member: Did you go straight from Yemen to Pakistan?

Detainee: Yes, I went directly. I stopped in the United Arab Emirates for one hour.

Tribunal Member: How did you pay for your studies?

Detainee: My father paid my tuition, but the living arrangements were all free.

Tribunal Member: Did you live on campus?

Detainee: Yes, I did.

Tribunal Member: Have you received any grades or transcripts from school yet?

Detainee: No, I was supposed to take a test, but it was not done.

Tribunal Member: Do you speak any English?

Detainee: Close to none.

Tribunal Member: Did you know any of the other people that were arrested with you?

Detainee: There were a few that went to the same university.

Tribunal Member: Were they friends of yours?

Detainee: Yes, they were.

Tribunal Member: How far away was the university from Karachi?

Detainee: The university was in one city and the other one was another city. This was too far.


Tribunal Member: Was it many kilometers away?

Detainee: I don't know how many kilometers, but by plane it takes an hour and a half.

Tribunal Member: The place where you were arrested, was it close to the university?

Detainee: Yes, it was.

Tribunal Member: I am not familiar with the university. Can you tell me how big it was? How many people attended?

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Detainee: There were two parts to it. One part had a mosque in it. The other part had all the dorms and rooms to live in. There was a wall surrounding the whole area.

Tribunal Member: So how many people attended the university?

Detainee: 150 to 200 people.

Tribunal Member: Did any of your friends that were arrested with you - did any of them have any type of military training?

Detainee: I do not know.

Tribunal Member: Have you had any type of military training?

Detainee: No, I do not.

Tribunal Member: When you were arrested with your friends, did any of you have any weapons with you? Were any weapons in the house?

Detainee: I did not see any weapons.

Tribunal Member: Were there any weapons there that you may not have seen?

Detainee: I don't believe so. I only spent a few hours there.

Tribunal Member: How many people lived in the house where you were arrested?

Detainee: Between 14 and 18 people.

Tribunal Member: What did the people who lived in that house do?

Detainee: I do not know. I was only there for a few hours. I just sat with the Yemeni people and I was talking with them. They were asking me about what was going on in Yemen.

Tribunal Member: On the unclassified summary, the house was referred to as the "Crescent Mill Guesthouse." Do you know why it was called that?

Detainee: This is the first time I have heard that name. I do not know why. I have never heard this name before until this Tribunal.

Tribunal Member: Have you ever been to Afghanistan?

Detainee: I had never gone there until I was taken to the prison by the Americans.

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Tribunal Member: How long were you going to study in Pakistan?

Detainee: One year.

Tribunal Member: You mentioned your living arrangements were free. Why were your arrangements free?

Detainee: The people who ran the university were operating a charity. They assisted poor people and tried to help out.

Tribunal Member: Were you ever a member of Al Qaida?

Detainee: No. Never. I only heard of Al Qaida here in Guantanamo.

Tribunal Member: Did you do anything at all that might have helped people in Afghanistan?

Detainee: No, I did not.

Tribunal Member: While you were in school, did you have any other jobs or tasks around campus? Did you work in the kitchen? Did you help a charity around there?

Detainee: No. There was none.

Tribunal President: Whom did you visit at the guesthouse in Faisalabad, at the Crescent Mill?

Detainee: One of my friends came over and said he had a house where I could come and stay. His name was Emad.

Tribunal President: Where did you know Emad from?

Detainee: I met him at the university.

Tribunal President: Was Emad staying at the Crescent Mill?

Detainee: He lived there, and he moved back and forth between the Crescent Mill and the university.

Tribunal President: You were invited by Emad to visit?

Detainee: Emad was the one who invited me over.

Tribunal President: Was Emad arrested with you?

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Detainee: Yes.

Tribunal President: Were you arrested at the Crescent Mill while you were visiting?

Detainee: Yes, I was there.

Tribunal President: Did you ever spend the night at the Crescent Mill?

Detainee: Yes, I did.

Tribunal President: How many times?

Detainee: It was only one time. When I got there.

Tribunal President: So the night that you were arrested, were you spending the night?

Detainee: Yes, the same night I was arrested.

Tribunal President: What time were you arrested?

Detainee: About two o'clock in the morning, the following day.

Tribunal President: Did you share a room while you were there spending the night?

Detainee: I was there along with Emad and some others.

Tribunal President: All in one room?

Detainee: We all were in the same room. There were other rooms there as well.

Tribunal President: Did you know the people in the room with you?

Detainee: Of all the people in the room, the only one I remember is Emad.

Tribunal President: Who arrested you at the guesthouse?

Detainee: The Pakistani police.

Tribunal President: Why did you choose to go to Pakistan for school?

Detainee: My father advised me to go there.

Tribunal President: Did you go to Pakistan by yourself? Did you go with friends or other students?

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Detainee: There were many people on the plane with me.

Tribunal President: Were they friends of yours? Were you traveling with a companion?

Detainee: I was in a group of people.

Tribunal President: Did they all go to the university?

Detainee: No.

Tribunal President: How many people were arrested with you?

Detainee: 14 people.

Tribunal President: Did you know all 14 people before you were arrested?

Detainee: No, but we had supper together.

Tribunal President: Do you know if any of those people were members of the Taliban or Al Qaida?

Detainee: No, I do not know.

Tribunal President: Any of the Tribunal Members have any other questions?

Tribunal Member: You have asked for a witness this afternoon. Is this witness one of the people that were arrested with you?

Detainee: Yes, he is. I have not seen the witness. There were mistakes made in the past, but according to the Representative, he is the one.

Tribunal Member: Is this person Emad?

Personal Representative: No, Sir.

Tribunal Member: Personal Representative, what is the name of the witness?

Personal Representative: I only have the ISN.

Tribunal Member: Detainee, do you know the name of the witness?

Detainee: I do. His name is [REDACTED]

Tribunal Member: How do you know the witness?

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Detainee: He was with me in prison in Pakistan.

Tribunal Member: Did you know the witness before you were arrested?

Detainee: No, I did not.

Tribunal Member: So is the witness your friend now?

Detainee: Yes, he is.

Tribunal Member: What can we expect the witness to say about what happened?

Detainee: He probably will tell you everything he knows about me.

Tribunal President: Muhammad, do you have any other evidence to present to the Tribunal?

Detainee: I have given you all my statements.

Tribunal President: Personal Representative, do you have any other evidence or does the Detainee have any previously approved witnesses to present to this Tribunal?

Personal Representative: Yes, Ma'am. I have two follow-up questions for the Detainee.

Tribunal President: Okay.

Personal Representative: When you went to the college, did you register? Is there a written record of your attendance?

Detainee: Yes, there is.

Personal Representative: When your father advised you to go, is it a custom in Islamic countries to do as your father tells you?

Detainee: Yes.

Personal Representative: Madam President, I have no further evidence, but the Detainee does have one witness.

[REDACTED], appeared as a witness for the Detainee, was sworn using the Muslim oath and testified in substance as follows:

Tribunal President: Would you like to make a statement on the record for your friend, Muhammad?

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Witness: He was a student at the Salafi University.

Tribunal President: Are you saying Muhammad was a student?

Witness: I was referring to Muhammad.

Tribunal President: Do you understand the process and the reason you are here?

Witness: Yes, I do.

Tribunal President: Is there anything else you would like to say?

Witness: Anything I know, I will state it. If not, I will say nothing.

Tribunal President: Are you waiting for us to ask you questions, or is there a statement you would like to make?

Witness: Please ask me.

Tribunal President: Personal Representative, do you have any questions for the witness?

Personal Representative: I do not, but the Detainee would like to ask questions.

Tribunal President: I'll allow the Detainee to ask questions in one moment. Recorder, do you have any questions for the witness?

Recorder: No, Ma'am.

Tribunal President: Muhammad, would you like to ask questions of the witness?

Detainee: Do you know if I am a member of Al Qaida or if I am associated with Al Qaida?

Witness: All I know is all the people in the house were students.

Tribunal President: Muhammad, do you have any other questions for the witness?

Detainee: That is all I have got.

Tribunal President: Any of the Tribunal Members have any questions for the witness?

Tribunal Member: Yes, Ma'am. [REDACTED], where did you meet Muhammad?

Witness: I met him in the house.

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Tribunal Member: Why were you at that house?

Witness: I wanted to go to the university but I could not.

Tribunal Member: Why were you at the house on the day you were arrested?

Witness: I went there because I found out some people going to the university were there. I went there to meet with them. I could not go to the university. I stayed at the house until the time I was arrested.

Tribunal Member: How many times did you visit the house before?

Witness: Once.

Tribunal Member: Once before, or was that the only time?

Witness: That was the only time.

Tribunal Member: Were there any weapons in the house?

Witness: No.

Tribunal Member: Do you know why the house is called the Crescent Mill Guesthouse?

Witness: This is my first time hearing that name.

Tribunal Member: Who did you know at that house?

Witness: I knew all the people that were there.

Tribunal Member: Where were they all students?

Witness: In the same university.

Tribunal Member: How many of them were Muhammad's friends?

Witness: All who were studying with him.

Tribunal Member: Muhammad was friends with all the people in the house?

Witness: Not all of them.

Tribunal Member: How many?

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Witness: 4 or 5.

Tribunal Member: Did you talk to Muhammad at the house that day?

Witness: No. He came on the last day, and it was a short visit.

Tribunal Member: Did Muhammad live at the house?

Witness: Just the day he was arrested.

Tribunal Member: Who was Muhammad visiting at the house?

Witness: He went to see the 4 or 5 friends he knew.

Tribunal Member: What were those friend's names?

Witness: I forgot the names, but I probably could identify them through pictures.

Tribunal Member: Have you been to Afghanistan before?

Witness: No.

Tribunal Member: Have you ever had any type of military training?

Witness: No.

Tribunal Member: What were you doing in Pakistan?

Witness: I was there to study.

Tribunal Member: Where were you studying?

Witness: At the university about the Koran.

Tribunal Member: Which University?

Witness: Salafi University.

Tribunal Member: But you said a few minutes ago you went to the house to visit these people because you could not go to the university. I don't understand.

Witness: I went to the house so I could go to study at the Salafi University. I could not attend the university because I ran out of money. I sat there with the rest of the people until I was arrested.

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Tribunal Member: How long had you not been going to the university?

Witness: I never went there.

Tribunal Member: So, what were you doing in Pakistan?

Witness: I went to study, but I ran out of money. I just stayed in the house until I was arrested.

Tribunal Member: How long were you in the house?

Witness: Three to three-and-a-half months.

Tribunal Member: A few minutes ago, you said this was the only time you visited that house. I don't understand.

Witness: I simply got there, I ran out of money so I could not go to the university. I just sat there.

Tribunal Member: Who paid for your food and other things?

Witness: The house belonged to the university and that was free.

Tribunal Member: If it was free, why couldn't you afford to go to the university?

Witness: It was my first time traveling outside of my country. I did not know how to manage my money. I ended up spending my money.

Tribunal Member: But if it was free to stay in the university, why did you need money?

Witness: So I could buy clothes and books. Other expenses.

Tribunal Member: How long had you been in Pakistan?

Witness: Five to six months.

Tribunal Member: Where did you come from?

Witness: Yemen.

Tribunal Member: How did you pay for your trip to Pakistan?

Witness: My family paid for my visa and my tickets.

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Tribunal Member: Why didn't you go back home once you ran out of money?

Witness: That was my first time I traveled and my visa expired. I did not know how to do things the proper way. I was afraid to go to the airport, if they found out my visa expired. I did not know what was going on or where to go. So because of all those problems, I went back and stayed at the house.

Tribunal Member: [REDACTED] what time were you arrested?

Witness: One or two o'clock. I don't remember exactly, but around that time.

Tribunal Member: Was that at night, or during the day?

Witness: In the night.

Tribunal President: You met Muhammad at the house?

Witness: Yes.

Tribunal President: Muhammad was only there for one night?

Witness: Yes.

Tribunal President: How did you get to know Muhammad? Was it after you were arrested?

Witness: Yes, we were in the prison together. When we were in prison, we were grouped together.

Tribunal President: Were you grouped together in the prison?

Witness: Yes, we were a group, but in separate rooms. There were some prisons where the whole group was all together in the room.

Tribunal President: Did you know any of the people in the house before you started to live there?

Witness: No, they all came after me.

Tribunal President: Did you know any of the people that were living at the house when you first arrived?

Witness: There was one. Maybe between one and three.

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Tribunal President: How did you know to go to that house?

Witness: There was a Pakistani guy named Issa. He told me about it.

Tribunal President: Who was Issa to you?

Witness: He was a Pakistani guy in the house. When I got there, Issa was already in the house. Issa received me and welcomed me into the house.

Tribunal President: Did Issa approach you about living in the house?

Witness: No. I went to the house. Issa was there and he welcomed me.

Tribunal President: How did you know to go to that house?

Witness: Some people told me about that house.

Tribunal President: Were these people students? Were they soldiers or fighters?

Witness: I met the people at the airport.

Tribunal President: Did the people at the airport approach you, or did you approach them?

Witness: As soon as I got there, I saw some Arabic-speaking people. So I approached them and talked to them. They asked me why I was going to Pakistan, and I told them I had heard of the university and I wanted to check it out to see if I could go there. These were the same people that took me to the house.

Tribunal President: Since you were not going to the university, what did you plan to do?

Witness: I wanted to go to the Yemeni Embassy so they could figure out a way to get me back to Yemen. That was the last thing I did before I got arrested.

Tribunal President: Were you arrested at the embassy or the guesthouse?

Witness: At the house.

Tribunal President: When did you go to the embassy?

Witness: I was planning on going to the embassy but I did not go. It was an idea, but before I could implement that idea, I got arrested.

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Tribunal President: How many people were living in the house with you?

Witness: I don't know exactly, but probably between fifteen and sixteen.

Tribunal President: You indicated there were other people in the house besides Yemenis?

Witness: Initially when I went to the house, there were some Saudis. But I never got to know them or even bothered with them.

Tribunal President: Did the Saudis move out of the house?

Witness: Two or three days after I arrived, the Saudis left.

Tribunal President: After the Saudis left, did someone else move in?

Witness: There were other people that arrived at the house. All the other people came after me, and they lived in the same house.

Tribunal President: So there was a mixture of nationalities? Pakistanis? Yemenis?

Witness: Yes, it was a mixture.

Tribunal President: You said they were all students. Did they all go to the same university?

Witness: The majority of them were students.

Tribunal President: Did they all go to the same university?

Witness: The majority of them went to the Salafi University.

Tribunal President: Do any of the other Tribunal Members have any other questions?

Tribunal Members: No, Ma'am.

Tribunal President: Personal Representative, do you have any additional questions?

Personal Representative: No, Ma'am. I do not.

Witness: Is the Personal Representative mine or Muhammad's?

Tribunal President: The Personal Representative is Muhammad's. Muhammad asked you to come here as a witness for his Tribunal.

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Witness: Why don't I have a Personal Representative for myself?

Tribunal President: This is not your Tribunal. I do not know if you have had a Tribunal or if you will have one in the future, but you will have a Personal Representative assigned to you.

Witness: All these questions and this Tribunal is not for me?

Tribunal President: That is true. We thought that you could help us in determining if Muhammad was a student at the university and you did answer that question. Recorder, do you have any questions for the witness?

Recorder: No, Ma'am.

Tribunal President: Muhammad, would you like to ask or say anything else to the witness?

Detainee: There is nothing else.

The witness is excused and escorted out of the Tribunal hearing room.


Tribunal President: All evidence having been provided to this Tribunal, this concludes the Tribunal session.

AUTHENTICATION

I certify the material contained in this transcript is a true and accurate summary of the testimony given during the proceedings.



Colonel, U.S. Army
Tribunal President

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Combatant Status Review Board

TO: Tribunal Members

FROM: OIC, CSRT (20 September 04)

Subject: Summary of Evidence for Combatant Status Review Tribunal – HASSAN, Mohammed Mohammed

1. Under the provisions of the Secretary of the Navy Memorandum, dated 29 July 2004, *Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base Cuba*, a Tribunal has been appointed to review the detainee's designation as an enemy combatant.
2. An enemy combatant has been defined as "an individual who was part of or supporting the Taliban or al Qaida forces, or associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners. This includes any person who committed a belligerent act or has directly supported hostilities in aid of enemy armed forces."
3. The United States Government has previously determined that the detainee is an enemy combatant. This determination is based on information possessed by the United States that indicates that he may be associated with al Qaida.
 - a. The detainee is an al Qaida associate.
 1. Detainee, a Yemen citizen who traveled to Pakistan in early 2001, was captured at the 'Crescent Mill' guesthouse in Faisalbad, Pakistan and was identified by a senior al Qaida lieutenant
 2. A senior al Qaida Lieutenant identified detainee in a photo as having possibly seen him in Afghanistan.
4. The detainee has the opportunity to contest his designation as an enemy combatant. The Tribunal will endeavor to arrange for the presence of any reasonably available witnesses or evidence that the detainee desires to call or introduce to prove that he is not an enemy combatant. The Tribunal President will determine the reasonable availability of evidence or witnesses.

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CIVIL COVER SHEET

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28 USC 2241 & 2242; Challenge to detention of Petitioners at Guantanamo

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MAJED MOHMOOD, a.k.a., :
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JUDGE: Henry H. Kennedy

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Guantánamo Bay Naval Station,
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba;

[REDACTED]
as Next Friend of JAMAL MAR'I;

OTHMAN ABDULRAHEEM MOHAMMAD,
Detainee, Camp Delta,
Guantánamo Bay Naval Station,
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba;

[REDACTED]
as Next Friend of OTHMAN
ABDULRAHEEM MOHAMMAD;

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ADIL SAEED EL HAJ OBAID,
Detainee, Camp Delta,
Guantánamo Bay Naval Station,
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba;

[REDACTED]

as Next Friend of ADIL SAEED EL HAJ
OBAID;

MOHAMED MOHAMED HASSAN ODAINI,
Detainee, Camp Delta,
Guantánamo Bay Naval Station,
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba;

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as Next Friend of MOHAMED MOHAMED
HASSAN ODAINI;

SADEQ MOHAMMED SAID,
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Guantánamo Bay Naval Station,
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba;

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as Next Friend of SADEQ MOHAMMED
SAID;

FAROUK ALI AHMED SAIF,
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Guantánamo Bay Naval Station,
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba;

[REDACTED]

as Next Friend of FAROUK ALI AHMED
SAIF;

SALMAN YAHALDI HSAN MOHAMMED SAUD,
Detainee, Camp Delta,
Guantánamo Bay Naval Station,
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba;

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and



as Next Friend of SALMAN YAHALDI
HSAN MOHAMMED SAUD,

Petitioners,

v.

GEORGE W. BUSH,
President of the United States
The White House
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Washington, D.C. 20500

DONALD RUMSFELD,
Secretary, United States
Department of Defense
1000 Defense Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301-1000

ARMY BRIG. GEN. JAY HOOD,
Commander, Joint Task Force-GTMO
Guantánamo Bay Naval Station
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba
c/o United States Army,
Army Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20310-0200

and

ARMY COL. NELSON J. CANNON,
Commander, Camp Delta,
Guantánamo Bay Naval Station
Guantánamo Bay, Cuba
c/o United States Army,
Army Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20310-0200

Respondents.

*All Respondents are sued in their
official and personal capacities.*

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PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

1. Petitioners Mahmoad Abdah, Majid Mahmoud Ahmed, Abdulmalik Abdulwahhab Al-Rahabi, Makhtar Yahia Naji Al-Wrafie, Aref Abd II Rheem, Yasein Khasem Mohammad Esmail, Adnan Farhan Abdul Latif, Jamal Mar'i, Othman Abdulraheem Mohammad, Adil Saeed el Haj Obaid, Mohamed Mohamed Hassan Odaini, Sadeq Mohammed Said, Farouk Ali Ahmed Saif, and Salman Yahaldi Hsan Mohammed Saud (collectively, "Petitioners") seek a Writ of Habeas Corpus. All are citizens of Yemen being held, virtually *incommunicado* and without access to counsel, in Respondents' unlawful custody in Camp Delta, Guantánamo Bay Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba ("Guantánamo Bay").

2. Petitioners act on their own behalf and through their Next Friends, all of whom are citizens of Yemen: [REDACTED] (father of Mahmoad Abdah), [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (father of Majid Mahmoud Ahmed), [REDACTED] (father of Abdulmalik Abdulwahhab Al-Rahabi), [REDACTED] (brother of Makhtar Yahia Naji Al-Wrafie), [REDACTED] (brother of Aref Abd II Rheem), [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (brother of Yasein Khasem Mohammad Esmail), [REDACTED] (brother of Adnan Farhan Abdul Latif), [REDACTED] (brother of Jamal Mar'i), [REDACTED] (brother of Othman Abdulraheem Mohammad), [REDACTED] (brother of Adil Saeed el Haj Obaid), [REDACTED] (brother of Mohamed Mohamed Hassan Odaini), [REDACTED] (brother of Sadeq Mohammed Said), [REDACTED] (uncle of Farouk Ali Ahmed Saif), and [REDACTED] (father of Salman Yahaldi Hsan Mohammed Saud) (collectively, "Next Friends"). See Ex. A (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. B (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. D (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. F (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. G (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. H (Authorization of [REDACTED]).

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[REDACTED]; Ex. J (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. L
(Authorization of [REDACTED]; Ex. N (Authorization of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]); Ex. P (Authorization of [REDACTED]; Ex. R (Authorization
of [REDACTED]); Ex. T (Authorization of [REDACTED]);
Ex. U (Authorization of [REDACTED]; Ex. W (Authorization of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]).

I. JURISDICTION

3. Petitioners bring this action under 28 U.S.C. §§ 2241 and 2242. This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1651, 2201 and 2202; 5 U.S.C. § 702; the Fifth, Sixth, and Eighth Amendments to the United States Constitution; the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; the American Declaration on the Rights and Duties of Man; and customary international law. Insofar as they seek declaratory relief, Petitioners also rely on Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 57.
4. This Court has authority under 28 U.S.C. § 2241 to grant the Writ of Habeas Corpus and, under 28 U.S.C. § 2242, to entertain the Petition filed by [REDACTED],
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] as Next Friends to Petitioners.
5. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2201, this Court is empowered to declare the rights and other legal relations of the parties herein and, under 28 U.S.C. § 2202, to effectuate and enforce declaratory relief by all necessary and proper means, as this case involves an actual controversy within the Court's jurisdiction.

II. VENUE

6. Venue is proper in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia because at least one Respondent resides in the district, a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred in the district, at least one Respondent may be found in the district, and all Respondents are either officers or employees of the United States or an agency thereof acting in their official capacities. *See* 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b); 1391(e).

III. THE PARTIES

A. Petitioners

7. Petitioners are presently incarcerated and held in Respondents' unlawful custody at Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.
8. Because Petitioners have been denied access to legal counsel and to the courts of the United States, family members act as Next Friends for them in these proceedings.
9. Petitioners and their Next Friends are as follows:

<u>Petitioner</u>	<u>Next Friend (Relationship)</u>	<u>Exhibits</u>
Mahmoad Abdah	[REDACTED] (Father)	A
Majid Mahmoud Ahmed	[REDACTED] (Father)	B, C
Abdulmalik Abdulwahhab Al-Rahabi	[REDACTED] (Father)	D, E
Makhtar Yahia Najj Al-Wrafie	[REDACTED] (Brother)	F
Aref Abd Il Rheem	[REDACTED] (Brother)	G
Yasein Khasem Mohammad Esmail	[REDACTED] (Brother)	H, I
Adnan Farhan Abdul Latif	[REDACTED] (Brother)	J, K
Jamal Mar'i	[REDACTED] (Brother)	L, M
Othman Abdulraheem Mohammad	[REDACTED] (Brother)	N, O

Adil Saeed el Haj Obaid	[REDACTED] (Brother)	P, Q
Mohamed Mohamed Hassan Odaini	[REDACTED] (Brother)	R, S
Sadeq Mohammed Said	[REDACTED] (Brother)	T
Farouk Ali Ahmed Saif	[REDACTED] (Uncle)	U, V
Salman Yahaldi Hsan Mohammed Saud	[REDACTED] (Father)	W

B. Respondents

10. Respondent George W. Bush is the President of the United States and Commander in Chief of the United States military. It is pursuant to the November 13, 2001 Military Order promulgated by Respondent Bush, *see* ¶¶ 54–61 *infra*, or alternatively under his authority as Commander in Chief and under the laws and usages of war, that Petitioners are being detained. Accordingly, Respondent Bush is ultimately responsible for Petitioners' unlawful detention.
11. Respondent Donald Rumsfeld is the Secretary of the United States Department of Defense. Pursuant to either the November 13, 2001 Military Order or the President's authority as Commander in Chief and under the laws and usages of war, Respondent Rumsfeld has been charged with maintaining the custody and control of Petitioners.
12. Respondent Army Brig. Gen. Jay Hood is the Commander of Joint Task Force–GTMO, the task force running the detention operation at Guantánamo. He has supervisory responsibility for Petitioners.
13. Respondent Army Col. Nelson J. Cannon is the Commander of Camp Delta, the United States facility where Petitioners are presently held. He is the immediate custodian responsible for Petitioners' detention.

IV. STATEMENT OF FACTS

A. Petitioners' Detention

14. Petitioners seek to enforce their right to a judicial determination of whether there is a factual basis for Respondent's determination that they are "enemy combatants."
15. Petitioners are not and have never been enemy aliens, lawful or unlawful belligerents, or combatants of any kind. They are not and have never been "enemy combatants." They are not "part of or supporting forces hostile to the United States or coalition partners in Afghanistan and who engaged in an armed conflict against the United States there." *Hamdi v. Rumsfeld*, 124 S. Ct. 2633, 2639 (2004).
16. Aside from an unsupported assertion that all detainees at Guantánamo Bay are enemy combatants, Respondents have advanced no justification for the arrest, transportation and continued incarceration of Petitioners.
17. Respondents have produced no evidence linking Petitioners to al Qaeda or any other organization or persons involved in either the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, or any other terrorist attack on the United States or its citizens.
18. Respondents have produced no evidence that Petitioners were members of the Taliban armed forces or that they were involved in armed conflict by the Taliban against the United States.
19. The limited information available indicates that Petitioners traveled to Pakistan for reasons unrelated to any activities of al Qaeda or the Taliban and that they were not members of either organization. On information and belief, Petitioners traveled to Pakistan for educational, business or missionary reasons, and remained there for those purposes until they were arrested by Pakistani police as part of a dragnet seizure of Yemeni citizens.
20. Respondents have produced no information concerning the circumstances of the seizure of Petitioners. The limited information available indicates that some or all of Petitioners

C. Petitioner Abdulmalik Abdulwahhab Al-Rahabi

25. Petitioner Abdulmalik Abdulwahhab Al-Rahabi ("Al-Rahabi") is twenty-two years old, married and the father of a four-year old daughter. *See* Ex. E (Affidavit of [REDACTED] at ¶¶ 2-3.
26. Around September 2000, Al-Rahabi traveled with his wife to Pakistan in order to study the Koran. *Id.* at ¶¶ 5-6. Their daughter was born while they were together in Pakistan. *Id.* at ¶ 6.
27. In November 2001, his wife returned to Yemen. *Id.* at ¶ 7. Al-Rahabi intended to return as well, but he was arrested while in Pakistan. *Id.* His family learned from newspaper accounts that he was being detained in Guantánamo Bay. *Id.* at ¶ 7.
28. The family has received very limited correspondence from Al-Rahabi and heard nothing from him for a nine-month period before receiving a pair of censored, months-old letters. *Id.* at ¶ 8.

D. Petitioner Majid Mahmoud Ahmed

29. Petitioner Majid Mahmoud Ahmed ("Ahmed") is twenty-four years old. *See* Ex. C (Affidavit of [REDACTED] at ¶ 2. He traveled to Pakistan to continue his studies after finishing school in Yemen. *Id.* at ¶¶ 2-3.
30. Sometime after September 11, 2001, Ahmed informed his family that he planned to return to Yemen. *Id.* at ¶ 4.
31. Only after receiving a letter from the Red Cross did Ahmed's family learn that he was being held in Guantánamo Bay. *Id.* at ¶ 5. They have since received five or six letters from him, but nothing since August 2003. *Id.* at ¶ 6.

E. Petitioner Adnan Farhan Abdul Latif

32. Petitioner Adnan Farhan Abdul Latif ("Latif") is twenty-six years old, with a history of medical problems stemming from his service as a volunteer in the Yemeni army. *See* Ex. K (Declaration by [REDACTED]) at 1, ¶¶ 2–5. He was badly injured in an accident in 1994 that left him with a fractured skull, loss of sight in one eye and loss of hearing in one ear. *Id.* at ¶ 3.
33. Latif left Yemen for Jordan in 1994, seeking medical treatment. *Id.* at ¶ 4. He returned to Yemen, but left again in 2001 for further treatment. *Id.* at ¶ 5. The last his family heard from him before his incarceration at Guantánamo Bay, Latif was receiving medical treatment in Karachi, Pakistan. *Id.* at ¶ 8.
34. Latif's family was apprized of his detention at Guantánamo Bay by a letter from him, dated February 2003 and delivered by the Red Cross. *Id.* at ¶ 5. The family has received five or six more letters—the last in December 2003—in which Latif describes Guantánamo Bay as "my island of hell." *Id.* at ¶¶ 6–7.
35. Latif's family has no knowledge of his every having been to Afghanistan and they know of no reason why he is being detained at Guantánamo Bay. *Id.* at ¶ 9.

F. Petitioner Jamal Mar'i

36. Petitioner Jamal Mar'i ("Mar'i") is thirty-four years old and married with four children. *See* Ex. M (Affidavit of [REDACTED]) at 1. He left Yemen for Karachi, Pakistan to study and find better paying work to support his family, whom he intended eventually to bring over to Pakistan. *Id.* Mar'i was considering the establishment of an export business in Karachi. *Id.*
37. A friend of the family informed Mar'i's brother that Mar'i had been arrested in Karachi by United States officials. *Id.* at 2. Several weeks later the Red Cross telephoned the family to say that Mar'i was being detained in Jordan; a letter from Mar'i to his family

- was also delivered via the Red Cross. *Id.* In that note and several more like it, Mar'i indicated that he did not know why he had been arrested. *Id.*
38. In April 2002, the family received another letter from Mar'i via the Red Cross, this time indicating that Mar'i was being detained in Guantánamo Bay. *Id.* No messages have been received since November 2003. *Id.*
39. On the family's information and belief, Mar'i is not a member of Al Qaeda and was never a member of the Taliban government armed forces. *Id.* at 3.

G. Petitioner Othman Abdulraheem Mohammad

40. Petitioner Othman Abdulraheem Mohammad ("Mohammad") is approximately twenty-three years old. *See* Ex. O (Affidavit of [REDACTED]) at 1. He traveled to Pakistan in July 1999 to teach the Koran. *Id.* He called his family in Yemen often, but the calls ceased in October 2001.
41. Mohammad's family learned through the police in Yemen that Mohammad was being detained at Guantánamo Bay. *Id.* The family has received several letters from Mohammad via the Red Cross. *Id.*
42. In a letter dated August 2003, Mohammad described his arrest: He was trying to escape Afghanistan when the war began but was not allowed to leave the country; he sought refuge from a tribe between Pakistan and Afghanistan, but when his money was gone he was turned over to the United States military. *Id.* at 2.

H. Petitioner Adil Saeed El Haj Obaid

43. Petitioner Adil Saeed El Haj Obaid ("Obaid") is approximately thirty-one years old. *See* Ex. Q (Affidavit of [REDACTED]) at 1. In July 2001, he traveled to Pakistan to engage in Islamic studies. *Id.*

44. Obaid's family learned through the newspaper that he was being detained in Guantánamo Bay. *Id.* The family received about ten censored letters from him, with the last dated June 21, 2003.

I. Petitioner Mohamed Mohamed Hassan Odaini

45. Petitioner Mohamed Mohamed Hassan Odaini ("Odaini") is twenty-one years old. *See* Ex. S (Affidavit of [REDACTED]) at 1. He left Yemen in 2000 to study Islamic law in Pakistan. *Id.* at 2. He called his mother from Pakistan and told her that he was studying and working to support himself. *Id.*
46. Odaini's family lost touch with him in mid-2002; it was not until the end of 2002 that Odaini's family learned from a Red Cross letter that he had been incarcerated in Guantánamo Bay. *Id.* Since then, Odaini has written to his family four times, asking them to pray for him and to explain that he had gone to Pakistan for study, "not to do anything wrong." *Id.*

J. Petitioner Farouk Ali Ahmed Saif

47. Petitioner Farouk Ali Ahmed Saif ("Saif") is twenty-four years old. He left Yemen for Pakistan in 2001 to pursue an advanced degree in Islamic Studies at the University of Karachi. *See* Ex. V (Declaration of [REDACTED]) at ¶ 5. His intention was to return to his family in Yemen and teach Islam to the Yemeni people.
48. Saif wrote his older brother a month after he arrived to tell him that he was well on his way to being accepted into the university program. *Id.* at ¶ 6. The family did not hear from him again until about eighteen months later when they received a short note, delivered through the Red Cross, telling them he was being detained in Guantánamo Bay. *Id.* at ¶ 7. His family received a total of seven letters from Saif, each professing his

innocence and urging his family not to worry. *Id.* at ¶ 8. The last letter was received in November 2003. *Id.*

49. On the information and belief of his family, Saif has never been a member of Al Qaeda or the Taliban government forces. *Id.* His family has no idea why he was arrested or why he is being held, nor do they have any knowledge of any charges against him. *Id.* at ¶ 13.

K. Petitioners Mahmoad Abdah, Makhtar Yahia Naji Al-Wrafie, Aref Abd II Rheem, Petitioner Sadeq Mohammed Said, and Salman Yahaldi Hsan Mohammed Saud

50. To date, neither the United States government nor the government of Yemen have provided any information regarding the circumstances surrounding the arrest and detention of Petitioners Mahmoad Abdah, Makhtar Yahia Naji Al-Wrafie, Aref Abd II Rheem, Sadeq Mohammed Said, or Salman Yahaldi Hsan Mohammed Saud.
51. On information and belief, these Petitioners are incarcerated and held in Respondents' unlawful custody at Guantanamo. *See* Ex. A (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. F (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. G (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. T (Authorization of [REDACTED]); Ex. W (Authorization of [REDACTED]).

L. The Joint Resolution

52. In the wake of the September 11, 2001 attacks, the United States, at the direction of Respondent Bush, began a massive military campaign against the Taliban government, then in power in Afghanistan. On September 18, 2001, a Joint Resolution of Congress authorized the President to use force against the "nations, organizations, or persons" that "planned, authorized, committed, or aided the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, or [that] harbored such organizations or persons." Joint Resolution 23, Authorization for Use of Military Force, Public Law 107-40, 115 Stat. 224 (Jan. 18, 2001).

53. Neither the Respondents nor any other agents of the United States government have produced any information to support any link between Petitioners and organizations or persons involved in the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, or any other terrorist attack attributed by the United States to Al Qaeda or any other international terrorist group. The limited information available indicates that the Petitioners were in Pakistan for reasons unrelated to the activities of Al Qaeda or the Taliban until they were arrested by Pakistani police and transferred to the United States military in 2002.

M. The Detention Order

54. On November 13, 2001, Respondent Bush issued a Military Order authorizing indefinite detention without due process of law. The Order authorizes Respondent Rumsfeld to detain anyone Respondent Bush has "reason to believe":

- i. is or was a member of the organization known as al Qaida;
- ii. has engaged in, aided or abetted, or conspired to commit, acts of international terrorism, or acts in preparation therefor, that have caused, threaten to cause, or have as their aim to cause, injury to or adverse effects on the United States, its citizens, national security, foreign policy, or economy; or
- iii. has knowingly harbored one or more individuals described in subparagraphs (i) and (ii).

See Military Order of November 13, 2001.

55. Respondent Bush must make this determination in writing. The Order was neither authorized nor directed by Congress, and is beyond the scope of the Joint Resolution of September 18, 2001.

56. The Military Order vests the President with complete discretion to identify the individuals that fall within its scope. It establishes no standards governing the use of his discretion. Once a person has been detained, the Order contains no provision for the person to be notified of the charges he may face. Instead, the Order authorizes detainees to be held without charges. It contains no provision for detainees to be notified of their

rights under domestic and international law, and provides neither the right to counsel nor the right to consular access. It provides no right to appear before a neutral tribunal to review the legality of a detainee's continued detention and no provision for appeal to an Article III or any other court. In fact, the Order expressly bars any form of judicial review. The Order authorizes indefinite and unreviewable detention, based on nothing more than the President's written determination that an individual is subject to its terms.

57. The Military Order authorizes the use of military commissions to try noncitizens accused of terrorism and other war crimes. It establishes no guarantee that charges will be promptly brought, that these charges will be made known to the accused and his counsel, or that a speedy trial providing adequate legal process will be afforded to determine guilt on such charges or their legal validity under domestic or international law. It permits prolonged pre-commission detention in solitary confinement, risking such long-term psychological injury as that suffered by Petitioners.
58. Petitioners are not properly subject to the Military Order.
59. The Military Order was promulgated in the United States and in this judicial district, the decision to detain and designate Petitioners was made by Respondents in the United States and in this judicial district, the decision to detain Petitioners at Guantánamo was made in the United States and in this judicial district, and the decision to continue detaining Petitioners was, and is, being made by Respondents in the United States and in this judicial district.
60. In the related case of *Rasul v. Bush*, 215 F. Supp. 2d 55 (D.D.C. 2002), Respondents contended that the petitioners in that case were being detained not pursuant to the President's Military Order but rather under the President's authority as Commander in Chief and under the laws and usages of war. However, on information and belief, Petitioners in this matter were not arrested or detained by the United States in the course of the armed conflict.

61. Moreover, Petitioners appear to have been detained in Pakistan not by United States authorities but by Pakistani police or, in the first instance, by bounty hunters seeking to recover a cash reward from the United States military. Petitioners were seized far from the battlefield. Accordingly, Petitioners are not properly detained under the President's authority as Commander in Chief or under the laws and usages of war.

N. Guantánamo Bay Naval Station

62. On or about January 11, 2002, the United States military began transporting prisoners captured in Afghanistan to Camp X-Ray, at the United States Naval Base, in Guantánamo Bay, Cuba. In April 2002, all prisoners were transferred to a more permanent prison facility in Guantánamo, Camp Delta. Offenses committed by both civilians and foreign nationals living on Guantánamo are brought before federal courts on the mainland, where respondents enjoy the full panoply of Constitutional rights. Detainees incarcerated at Guantánamo are entitled to test the legality of their detention in the federal courts. *Rasul v. Bush*, 124 S. Ct. 2686, 2698 (2004).

O. Conditions of Detention at Guantánamo

63. Since gaining control of Petitioners, the United States military has held them virtually *incommunicado*. On information and belief, they have been or will be interrogated repeatedly by agents of the United States Departments of Defense and Justice, though they have not been charged with an offense or notified of any pending or contemplated charges. They have made no appearance before either a military or civilian tribunal of any sort and have not been provided counsel or the means to contact counsel. They have not been informed of their rights under the United States Constitution, the regulations of the United States Military, the Geneva Convention, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the American Declaration on the Rights and Duties of Man, or customary international law. Respondents have taken the position that Petitioners should

not be told of these rights. As a result, Petitioners are completely unable either to protect or to vindicate their rights under domestic and international law.

64. On information and belief, Petitioners have been forced to provide involuntary statements to Respondents' agents at Guantánamo. Petitioners have been held under conditions that violate their international and constitutional rights to dignity and freedom from cruel, unusual and degrading treatment or punishment. They have been housed throughout their detention in accommodations that fail to satisfy either domestic or internationally accepted standards for any person subject to detention. They have been refused meaningful access to their families. They have not been provided with the opportunity fully to exercise their religious beliefs and they have been humiliated in the exercise of their religion.
65. In published statements, Respondents Bush and Rumsfeld, as well as Brigadier General Michael R. Lehnert and Colonel Terry L. Carrico (who preceded Respondents Hood and Cannon in their respective positions), have indicated that the United States may hold Petitioners under these conditions indefinitely. *See, e.g.*, Roland Watson, *The Times* (London), Jan. 18, 2002 ("Donald Rumsfeld, the United States Defense Secretary, suggested last night that al-Qaeda prisoners could be held indefinitely at the base. He said that the detention of some would be open-ended as the United States tried to build a case against them.").
66. According to the Department of Defense, detainees who are adjudged innocent of all charges by a military commission may nevertheless be kept in detention at Guantánamo Bay indefinitely. *See* Department of Defense Press Background Briefing of July 3, 2003, available at <http://www.defenselink.mil/transcripts/2003/tr20030703-0323.html> (last visited on July 25, 2004).

P. Combatant Status Review Tribunal

67. On July 7, 2004, Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz signed an Order directing the Secretary of the Navy to establish a Combatant Status Review Tribunal ("CSR

Tribunal”) to be convened at Guantánamo Bay. *See* Memorandum for the Secretary of the Navy, July 7, 2004 (“Memorandum”). The ostensible purpose of the CSR Tribunal is to determine on a case-by-case basis whether a detainee is “properly detained as an enemy combatant,” *id.* at ¶ g.12, notwithstanding Deputy Secretary Wolfowitz’s assertion that each detainee has already “been determined to be an enemy combatant through multiple levels of review by officers of the Department of Defense,” *id.* at ¶ a.

68. The first panels of the CSR Tribunal are expected to be convened imminently. *See* “United States Military to Review Detainees’ Cases,” NY Times, July 25, 2004, available at <http://www.nytimes.com/aponline/national/AP-Guantanamo-Review-Tribunals.html> (last visited July 25, 2004) (quoting Navy Commander Beci Brenton’s statement of July 23, 2004, that “[t]he aim is to conduct the first tribunal next week”).
69. The procedures ordered by Deputy Secretary Wolfowitz for the CSR Tribunal are plainly deficient, failing to provide due process protection for the detainees as a whole and for Petitioners in particular. For instance, notice of the factual basis for a detainee’s designation as an “enemy combatant” will be provided only if the factual basis is unclassified, Memorandum at ¶ g.1; the panels will not be bound by the rules of evidence applicable in a court of law, *id.* at ¶ 9; “enemy combatant” status is to be determined only under a preponderance-of-the-evidence standard, with a rebuttable presumption in favor of the government’s evidence, *id.* at ¶ g.12. In addition, no provision has been made for the presence of any of the detainees’ counsel at the CSR Tribunal hearings, in apparent violation of the Model Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 4.2 (“In representing a client, a lawyer shall not communicate about the subject of the representation with a person the lawyer knows to be represented by another lawyer in the matter, unless the lawyer has the consent of the other lawyer or is authorized to do so by law or a court order.”). Instead, the detainees are to be offered the assistance of a non-lawyer “Personal Representative,” *id.* at ¶ c, whose conversations with individual detainees will, on information and belief, be monitored by the United States military.

V. CAUSES OF ACTION

FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Unlawful Detention)

70. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–69 by reference.
71. Petitioners are not, nor have they ever been, enemy aliens, lawful or unlawful belligerents, or combatants of any kind. Petitioners are not, nor have they ever been, “enemy combatants.” They were not “part of or supporting forces hostile to the United States or coalition partners in Afghanistan and who were engaged in an armed conflict against the United States there.” *Hamdi v. Rumsfeld*, 124 S. Ct. 2633, 2639 (2004). Petitioners have committed no violation of domestic, foreign, or international law. There is no basis whatsoever in law for Petitioners’ detention.

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Due Process—Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution)

72. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–71 by reference.
73. By the actions described above, Respondents, acting under color of law, have violated and continue to violate the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution. Respondent Bush has ordered the prolonged, indefinite and arbitrary detention of individuals without Due Process of Law. Respondents Rumsfeld, Hood and Cannon are likewise acting in violation of the Fifth Amendment since they act at the President’s direction. On its face, the Executive Order violates the Fifth Amendment.

THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Due Process—Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution)

74. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–73 by reference.
75. By the actions described above, Respondents, acting under color of law, have violated and continue to violate the right of Petitioners to be free from arbitrary, prolonged and indefinite detention, in violation of the Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution. The Executive Order, as applied to Petitioners, violates the Fifth Amendment.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
(Due Process—International Law)

76. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–75 by reference.
77. By the actions described above, Respondents, acting under color of law, have violated and continue to violate customary international law, the Third and Fourth Geneva Conventions, Articles 9 and 14 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and Articles XXVIII, XXV and XXVI of the American Declaration on the Rights and Duties of Man. Respondent Bush has ordered the prolonged, indefinite and arbitrary detention of Petitioners, without legal process, in violation of binding obligations of the United States under international law. Respondents Rumsfeld, Hood and Cannon are likewise acting in violation of international law, since they act at the President’s direction. On its face, the Executive Order violates international law.

FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
(Due Process—International Law)

78. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–77 by reference.
79. By the actions described above, Respondents, acting under color of law, have violated and continue to violate the right of Petitioners to be free from arbitrary, prolonged and indefinite detention, in violation of customary international law, the Third and Fourth Geneva Conventions, Articles 9 and 14 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and Articles XXVIII, XXV and XXVI of the American Declaration on the Rights and Duties of Man. The Executive Order, as applied to Petitioners, violates these and other binding obligations of the United States under international law.

SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
**(Due Process—Failure to Comply with United States
Military Regulations and International Humanitarian Law)**

80. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–79 by reference.
81. By the actions described above, Respondents, acting under color of law, have violated and continue to violate the rights accorded to persons seized by the United States Military

in times of armed conflict, as established by, *inter alia*, the regulations of the United States Military, Articles 4 and 5 of the Third Geneva Convention, the Fourth Geneva Convention and customary international law.

SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
(War Powers Clause)

82. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–81 by reference.
83. By the actions described above, Respondents, acting under color of law, have exceeded the constitutional authority of the Executive and have violated and continue to violate the War Powers Clause by ordering the prolonged and indefinite detention of Petitioners without congressional authorization.

EIGHTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
(Suspension of the Writ)

84. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–83 by reference.
85. To the extent the Executive Order of November 13, 2001, disallows any challenge to the legality of Petitioners' detention by way of habeas corpus, the Order and its enforcement constitute an unlawful Suspension of the Writ, in violation of Article I of the United States Constitution. The actions of the Respondents in claiming the legal right to detain Petitioners without judicial authorization or review constitute a suspension of the Writ of Habeas Corpus in violation of Article I of the United States Constitution.

NINTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
(Arbitrary and Unlawful Detention—Violation of the Administrative Procedures Act)

86. Petitioners and Next Friends incorporate paragraphs 1–85 by reference.
87. By detaining Petitioners for the duration and in the manner described herein, Respondents have arbitrarily, unlawfully and unconstitutionally detained Petitioners in violation of the Administrative Procedures Act, 5 U.S.C. § 706(2).

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Petitioners and Next Friends pray for relief as follows:

1. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Petitioner Mahmoad Abdah;
2. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Majid Mahmoud Ahmed;
3. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Abdulmalik Abdulwahhab Al-Rahabi;
4. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Makhtar Yahia Najj Al-Wrafie;
5. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Aref Abd Il Rheem;
6. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Yasein Khasem Mohammad Esmail;
7. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Adnan Farhan Abdul Latif;
8. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Jamal Mar'i;
9. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Othman Abdulraheem Mohammad;
10. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Adil Saeed el Haj Obaid;
11. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Mohamed Mohamed Hassan Odaini;
12. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Sadeq Mohammed Said;
13. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Farouk Ali Ahmed Saif;
14. Grant [REDACTED] status as Next Friend of Salman Yahaldi Hsan Mohammed Saud;
15. Order and declare the Executive Order of November 13, 2001, unlawful as a violation of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution; the War Powers Clause of Article I of the United States Constitution; the Administrative Procedures Act, 5 U.S.C. § 702;

- customary international law; the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; and the American Declaration on the Rights and Duties of Man;
16. Order and declare that Petitioners' indefinite detention is in violation of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution; customary international law; the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; the American Declaration on the Rights and Duties of Man; the regulations of the United States Military; the Geneva Conventions; and international humanitarian law;
 17. Order and declare the Combatant Status Review Tribunal, as currently constituted and designed, is in violation of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution; the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; the American Declaration on the Rights and Duties of Man; the regulations of the United States Military; the Geneva Conventions; and international humanitarian law;
 18. Order and declare that Petitioners are subject to the protections of the Geneva Conventions and international humanitarian law;
 19. Order and declare that the provision of the Executive Order of November 13, 2001, that bars Petitioners from seeking relief in this Court is an unlawful Suspension of the Writ, in violation of Article I of the United States Constitution;
 20. Order immediate, private and unmonitored access by counsel to Petitioners;
 21. Order immediate cessation of direct or indirect interrogation of Petitioners while the instant litigation is pending;
 22. Order immediate preservation of all evidence of torture or other abusive interrogation techniques or treatment by any individual acting for or on behalf of the United States military, the United States, or any agency thereof;
 23. Order a stay of any proceedings against Petitioners before the Combat Status Review Tribunal, pending a determination of the process to which Petitioners are constitutionally entitled;

24. Order any proceedings before the Combat Status Review Tribunal to proceed only in the presence of counsel for Petitioners;
25. Order Petitioners' immediate release from their unlawful custody if Respondents refuse to comply with the terms of relief sought in paragraphs 20 through 24, *supra*;
26. To the extent Respondents contest any material factual allegations in this Petition, schedule an evidentiary hearing at which Petitioners may adduce proof in support of their allegations; and
27. Grant such other legal or equitable relief as the Court deems necessary and appropriate to protect Petitioners' rights under the United States Constitution and international law.

Dated: Washington, D.C.
July 27, 2004

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VERIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Executed on this 27th day of July 2004.




David H. Remes
David H. Remes

Exhibit A

Date: April __, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my Son, whose name is Mahmoud Abdah, and who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Mohammed Naji Allawo, Najeeb Bin Mohammed al-Nauimi and Clive Stafford Smith (of *Justice In Exile*), Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my relative's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

Name:

Witnessed:

Print Name:

Exhibit B

Date: April 10, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my son, whose name is MAJED MOHAMMED, and who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Mohammed Naji Allawo, Najeeb Bin Mohammed al-Nauimi and Clive Stafford Smith (of *Justice In Exile*), Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my relative's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

Name: 

Witnessed:


Print Name:

Exhibit C

Affidavit of [REDACTED]

Comes now, [REDACTED] under oath, and makes the following statement in Sana'a, Yemen:

I am the father of Majid Mahmoud Ahmed. My son was born in June 1980. I have three other sons, and three daughters. Majid is the third son. I am retired from a petroleum company. My wife is 50 years old, named [REDACTED]

Majid finished school. He was a good student. He loves swimming and football. He was single, and was always quiet, and respectful to everyone.

Majid left to go to Pakistan to continue his studies. He called home five or six months later, and his last call was after September 11, when he told us that he was coming back to Yemen.

We received a letter from the Red Cross telling us he was in Guantanamo Bay.

We have had six cards and five letters over the months. The most recent one was in August 2003.

His mother's health is deteriorating and she has a heart problem now as a result of worrying about her son. We all miss him very much.

I know that my son would want me to take whatever steps I could, on his behalf and I wish to act as his next friend in court.

Signed this 10th day of April, 2004.

[REDACTED]

Witnessed: _____

Exhibit D

Date: April 10, 2004

Authorization

I am [REDACTED], and am acting as next friend for my son, Abdulmalik Abdulwahhab Al-Rahabi, who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, as well as Joe Margulies and Clive Stafford Smith, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my son's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my son that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Witnessed:

Nabeel Raji - Bahrain Center for Human Rights
Print Name:

Exhibit E

Affidavit of Ahmed Abdulwahhab

Comes now, [REDACTED] under oath, and states as follows:

I am the father of Abdulmalik Abdulwahhab Al-Rahabi. I live in Ibb, Yemen. I make this affidavit in Sana'a, Yemen.

My son is married to [REDACTED], and they have one daughter, [REDACTED] who is now four years old.

I have five sons and seven daughters. Abdulmalik is my second son. He was 18 years old when he left Yemen to go to Pakistan. He is 22 years old now.

My son finished school and wanted to study later in University, after he studied the Koran in Pakistan. When he was young, in addition to his studies, my son enjoyed sports.

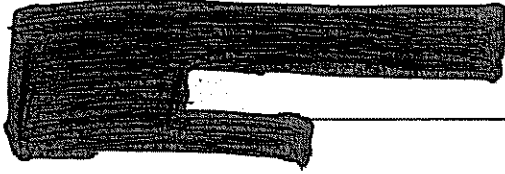
My son never went to Afghanistan. He went to Pakistan to study the Koran. He went around September 2000, and took his wife and child with him (the child was born in Pakistan). While there, he would call the family every six months.

[REDACTED] came back to Yemen during Ramadan (in November 2001). My son was coming back to Yemen as well, but was arrested in Pakistan. We learned that he was taken to Guantanamo Bay when we read it in the newspaper.

The family has suffered because Abdulmalik has been in Guantanamo Bay. We have received only very limited correspondence from him, and it was nine months since we last heard from him, before we recently received two letters, both censored and months old.

I have known my son to be involved in any violence. He is not the kind of child

who would commit violent acts.



Witnessed:


Nabeel Rajab - Bahrain center for human Rights

Exhibit F

DATE: April -2004

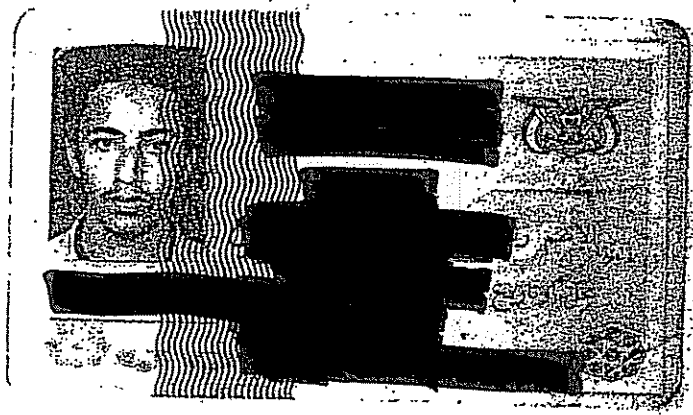
Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my brother whose name is Makhtar Yahia Naji Almurfi. And who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Mohammed Naji ALLawo, Najeeb Bin Mohammed AL-nauimi and Clive Stafford Smith (of Justice in Exile), Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, and any person assigned by these Lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my relative's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

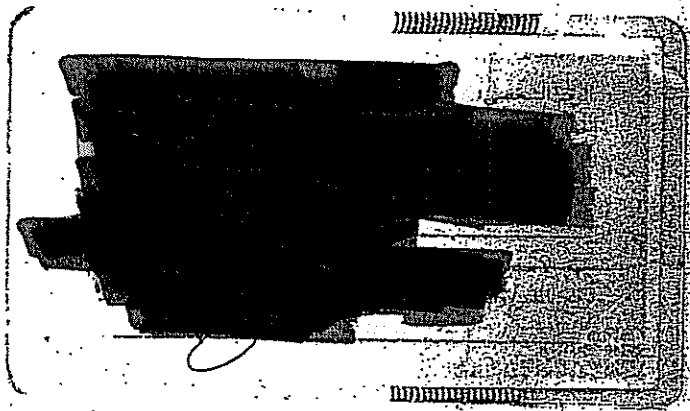

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print Name:



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Exhibit G

Date: April __, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my brother, whose name is ARIF abd IL Razaq and who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Mohammed Najj Allawo, Najeeb Bin Mohammed al-Nauimi and Clive Stafford Smith (of *Justice In Exile*), Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my relative's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

Name:

Witnessed:

Print Name:



Exhibit H

Date: April 6, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my brother, Yasein Khasem Mohammad Esmail, who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, as well as Joe Margulies and Clive Stafford Smith, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my brother's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my brother that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

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Witnessed:



Print Name:

Exhibit I

Affidavit of [REDACTED]

Comes now, [REDACTED] under oath, who makes the following statement in Sana'a, Yemen:

I am the older brother of Yasein Khasem Mohammad Esmail. I am the second of five sons. My parents also have three daughters.

Our family comes from Ibb, in Yemen, where we still live. My father has been a farmer all of his life, and my mother is a housewife. It has been their ambition for their children that everyone should benefit from a good education, and have the chance to get a good job in life.

Our oldest brother is still a student at the University of Ibb, studying the Arabic language with a view perhaps to becoming a teacher. I secured a B.S. and am an employee of the University in the Chemistry department. Our other two brothers are still students, as are the three girls.

Yasein would be 22 now. He was born in 1982. He graduated from high school, and had planned to go to university and wanted to study Arabic language. He thought that he would become a teacher of Arabic. This is very important work as it allows the reader of the Koran to understand the original text.

Yasein was always a very studious and responsible child. He spent much of his time working with our father to help with the sheep. It is normal in our villages for families to own animals. Those who are young and who are responsible are given the job of looking after the animals. After going to school all day, Yasein would come home to work with the sheep in the evening.

When he was very young he used to be keen on football. He played all sorts of positions for the local team but gradually played this less as he felt obliged to help our father with the animals.

Yasein loved reading. There were not many books available in our village, so he concentrated on reading all of the school books. Yasein also loved poetry - he was a romantic. When he was young, his girlfriend was called [REDACTED] (which means morning in our language), who was from a nearby village. He was keen on poems that we call "ghazel", which are long poems that are always from man to woman.

I, too, like to write poems, and recently wrote the following one about the impact of Yasein's absence on my mother. It is roughly translated as follows:

Poem for My Mother

You ask me how my mother lives -
Please do not wait to hear.
You ask me how my mother lives -
Words cannot speak her tears.

I know not even where to start,
Which door might open to
The darkness in my mother's heart
Blacked out by censored cards.

My mother's heart remains a void
Yet papered round with pain
My mother's heart remains a void
Since Yasein went away.

My mother's body struggles on:
World, watch her burning soul.
My mother's body struggles on,
With sorrow as her shrine.

My mother names before our God
The cause of all her pain
My mother kneels in prayer to God
As tears run down her eyes.

You ask me how my mother lives --
Please do not wait to hear,
My mother's heart swells larger than
Mere language can declare.

Yasein also loved music. His favorite singer was Ayub from Yemen.

When he was young, he was perhaps not as religious as he should have been. Indeed, as his older brother I was the one who would criticize him for not saying his prayers enough. As a result, perhaps, of my efforts, when he was 16 or 17 he began to get more serious about his faith.

He was always a very peaceful person. We come from a village where the Imam is someone who was able to read and write, and who would lead us in prayer and teach us our obligation to pay *zakat* (the charity that we are obliged to give, as Muslims). This was mainly what Yasein absorbed from his religious faith. He certainly never had any inclination towards violence, which was the opposite of what we learned and believed in.

Yasein went to Pakistan prior to going to university. He went at the end of September 2000 in order to learn Arabic better. He was one of two people who went from the village. The other was Sadeq Mohammed Sa'id. When they had studied in Pakistan, they were going on to do missionary work (teaching Arabic and the Koran) to Afghanistan.

Our family heard about Yasein being in Guantanamo Bay from a Red Cross letter. Also, the governmental newspaper published names of people in Guantanamo Bay. There were about 32 names listed on the first occasion, and while it was misspelled, his name was in that group.

When he was first at Guantanamo every three to four months our family received letters, but we have received none for about nine months. His first letter asked us to inform the Yemen embassy officials and ask them to demand that he be freed.

We are a very poor family, but we have made efforts made to help him. We have contacted our parliamentary representatives, and local human rights advocates. We also contacted Jamel al-Morshed, a lawyer. We have been able to get no assurances from the United States about Yassin at all.

I know my brother very well and cannot believe that he would have been involved in violence. I have heard about the foreigners being "sold" over to the Americans for rewards, as purported Taliban soldiers, and am very concerned that this must have happened to my brother.

Signed under oath this ____ day of April, 2004.



Witnessed:

Nabea Raja's

Exhibit J

April 11, 2004

AUTHORIZATION

I am acting as next friend for AMIN FAKHRY AGAN LATIF, who is being held by the United States military at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. I hereby authorize Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, as well as Joe Margulies and Clive Stafford Smith, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on MY BROTHER'S behalf, to secure any documents and information which concern him and that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

[REDACTED]

Print Name:

[REDACTED]

Witnessed:

Nabeel Rajab

Print Name:

Exhibit K

DECLARATION BY [REDACTED]

I, [REDACTED], of Taiz, Yemen under oath make the following declaration:

1. I am the younger brother of Adnan Farhan Abdul Latif.
2. There are ten of us in our family. Adnan is the fourth oldest in the family. He is 26 years old now and was born in 1973.
3. After finishing Secondary School in 1994, Adnan became a volunteer in the Yemeni army when there was a civil war in the country. He served in this capacity for two months. He left because he was badly injured in an accident which left him with a fractured skull.
4. Adnan left Yemen for treatment in Jordan in 1994. After being treated he returned to Yemen. His injuries resulted in his losing his sight in his right eye and his hearing in his left ear. The government paid him a monthly disability payment for this. Annexed hereto marked "MFAL 1" are copies of Adnan's medical treatment history.
5. Adnan left Yemen for further medical treatment at the beginning of 2001. We didn't hear from him after his arrival there. The next thing we heard from him was a letter from Guantanamo delivered through the International Committee of the Red Cross. This letter was dated February 2003. It came as a complete shock to us to learn that Adnan had ended up in Guantanamo.
6. Since this letter my family has received another five or six letters from Adnan. The last one we received was in December 2003.
7. In these letters he has described his prison as "my island of hell" In one, he asked my father to send him his medical records. My father did so some months ago now.
8. Adnan is not a member of Al Qaeda, nor was he ever a member of the Taliban government armed forces. We have no idea who arrested him or the reasons for his arrest. He was receiving medical treatment in Karachi, Pakistan when we last heard from him. As far as we know he has never been to Afghanistan. We have absolutely no idea why he is now being held at Guantanamo.
9. To the best of my knowledge no charges have been laid against Adnan. Nor has he been brought before a judicial officer of any properly constituted court or tribunal since his detention.

10. From my brother's messages and my knowledge of his nature I know that Adnan wants me to take legal proceedings on his behalf to challenge the lawfulness of his detention. To this end I wish to act as his "next friend".
11. I hereby instruct, request and authorize, Michael Ratner, Joe Margulies, Clive Stafford Smith, or their associates, to act on behalf of my brother and to take whatever legal steps they consider be in my brother's best interests including filing proceedings in U.S. and international fora.
12. I know the facts herein to be true of my own knowledge, except where otherwise appears.

At Sana'a on this 11th day of April, 2004



Witnessed By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'C' followed by a long horizontal stroke.

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Date: April 10, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my brother, JAMAL MAR'I, who is being held at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba by the United States military. I hereby authorize Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, as well as Joe Margulies and Clive Stafford Smith, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my nephew's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my husband that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

A large black rectangular redaction box covers the signature area of the document.

Witnessed:

A handwritten signature in cursive script is written over a horizontal line. Below the signature, there are two more horizontal lines.

Exhibit M

AFFIDAVIT OF [REDACTED]

I, [REDACTED] of Damar, Yemen being duly sworn, DEPOSE AND STATE as follows:

1. I am the brother of Jamal Mar'i of Khochna village, Yemen.
2. Jamal is my elder brother. He is 34 years old. We have nine brothers and eleven sisters in our family. Our father and mother are still alive and living together with my wife and family in Damar village. Our family has a food store and a small farm that supports not only our own family but the whole of our extended family of 22.
3. Before leaving for Pakistan in 2001, together with three of my other brothers, Jamal worked with me in the food store.
4. Jamal was married in 1994. He and his wife have a son and three daughters. The youngest is five and the oldest 11. All of them, apart from the youngest, are at school.
5. After completing his High School education in 1994, Jamal went to Azerbaijan to study Petroleum Engineering. His studies were financed in part by the Yemeni government and partly by our father. He returned from his studies after a year and a half to visit with us and returned once again to Azerbaijan with his wife and young daughter. After completing his studies in 1998, Jamal and his family returned to Yemen.
6. Unfortunately, upon his return to Yemen, there was no work for Jamal in his field of study. Jamal therefore helped me and my brothers run the food store.
7. Keen to further his studies and to find better paying work to support both his own and his extended family, Jamal left for Pakistan at the beginning of 2001. Finances did not allow him to take his family to Pakistan at this time, so he traveled alone with the intention of bringing them over to Pakistan once he had established himself there.
8. Jamal set himself up in Karachi, Pakistan. While there, Jamal called and wrote to us regularly. It never felt as if he was very far away. We had all become used to our older brother being away from Yemen.
9. About a week after September 11, 2001, Jamal called me from Pakistan. He asked that I arrange for his wife and family to travel to Pakistan. Despite the possibility of U.S. military intervention in Afghanistan, Jamal did not consider there would be any danger in his wife and children traveling to Pakistan as they would be staying in Karachi, far away from any conflict in Afghanistan.
10. During our conversation, Jamal also discussed the possibility of his establishing an export business in Karachi, exporting medicines from Pakistan to Yemen. He asked that I investigate whether such a venture would be viable. Jamal said that prospects for him in Pakistan looked good and that he would probably stay there for some time.

11. After our call, I inquired in to the possibility of obtaining travel documents for Jamal's wife and children. I discovered that the Pakistan Embassy to Yemen had been closed down and that there was no way of getting travel documents.
12. Shortly after this call, a friend of the family called around to see me. He said that he had recently received a telephone call from his son who was working in Karachi and who knew Jamal. He said that he thought Jamal had been arrested in Karachi by officials from the United States government. This caused me great concern and I immediately tried to contact Jamal to see how he was. My attempts were all unsuccessful
13. Some weeks later, my mother received a telephone call from the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) from Jordan to say that Jamal was detained there. The person with whom she spoke did not say who Jamal was detained by. He left his telephone number.
14. I called the ICRC in Jordan and suggested that I travel there with my father to visit with Jamal. Although the ICRC said this would be possible, the Yemen Government Ministry of the Interior thought such a course of action unwise, as the Jordanian government may arrest and detain us too. They did not explain why, but we took their advice, nonetheless.
15. Some time after receiving the call from the ICRC, my family received a message from Jamal via the ICRC, Jordan. In this short note, Jamal said that he was held in Jordan. He did not say why, however. Jamal said that he was in good health, that he had no idea why he was detained and that he believed he would soon be released.
16. We received about three or four similar such messages from Jamal. Then, in April 2002, we received an ICRC message from him from the ICRC in Yemen. The message had been sent from Guantanamo Bay.
17. Since this time, we have received one or two messages a month from Jamal. All came from Guantanamo. All are brief and simply state that he is in good health, that we shouldn't worry about him and that he hoped he would be home soon. He said he had done nothing wrong and did not know why he was being held. My family wrote to Jamal at Guantanamo every 10 to 15 days. We think he has received them all but aren't entirely sure.
18. In November 2003, Jamal's messages stopped coming. We don't know why. We have written to him asking why he is not writing, but to date have heard nothing.
19. Although my family had become used to Jamal's absence from Yemen, his disappearance in 2001 and now his silence has made us all deeply depressed. We have no way of finding out how he is; whether he is healthy, even whether he is alive.
20. My mother has taken Jamal's disappearance the worst. She has developed high blood pressure and often sinks in to bouts of very deep depression. In many ways, it would be preferable if we knew Jamal were dead for at least then we would be able to grieve and eventually get over his death. It's the simply not knowing what has happened to

him that affects us all the most. If only we could hear his voice, learn that he is safe and well that would make our lives all so much better.

21. Jamal's wife is beside herself with worry. His young children don't understand what has happened to their father and constantly ask where he is, why he doesn't call and when he is coming back home. We never tell them the truth in response to their many questions and simply tell them that he will be back soon and that he cannot call because there is no phone where he works now. As his youngest child was born after he left for Pakistan, Jamal has never seen him.
22. Jamal's disappearance is also felt in the wider community. He was well loved and respected in his home village and his many friends miss him greatly. None can understand why he has been detained. They cannot imagine Jamal in trouble with the law, let alone in terrorist activity.
23. Together with my father and brothers we have attempted to get more information on the circumstances surrounding Jamal's arrest and detention by the United States at Guantanamo. We have attempted to meet with the United States Ambassador to Yemen over five times now, the last occasion being in March, 2004. He has refused all our requests. On at least twenty occasions now we have met with officials from the Yemen Government Ministry of the Interior to see if we can find out anything from them. We have also written to the Minister of the Interior three times. We have received the same response to all our representations; they know nothing about Jamal's detention.
24. Jamal is a peace loving family man, one who has never engaged or condoned violence of any kind. He is not a member of Al Qaeda, nor was he ever a member of the Taliban government armed forces. As far as we are aware, Jamal was living in Karachi before his mysterious arrest and transfer to Jordan. We have no idea who arrested him in Pakistan or the reasons for his arrest. We have no idea why he was sent to Jordan and detained there. Nor do we know who detained him there for six months. We also don't now why he is presently being held at Guantanamo.
25. To the best of my knowledge no charges have been laid against Jamal. Nor has he been brought before a judicial officer of any properly constituted court or tribunal since his detention began.
26. From my brother's correspondence and my knowledge of his nature I know that Jamal wants me to take legal proceedings on his behalf to challenge the lawfulness of his detention. To this end I wish to act as his "next friend".
27. I hereby instruct, request and authorize, Michael Ratner, Joe Margulies, Clive Stafford Smith, or their associates, to act on behalf of my brother and to take whatever legal steps they consider be in my brother's best interests including filing proceedings in U.S. and international fora.
28. I know the facts deposed to herein to be true of my own knowledge, except where otherwise appears.



Sworn by the Deponent at San'a'a..... on this 10th day of April, 2004



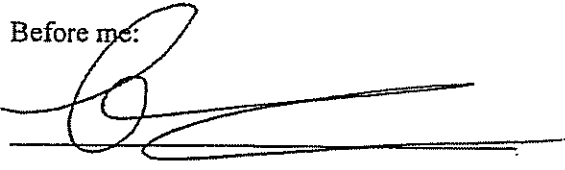
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A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large loop followed by a horizontal line.

Exhibit N

Date: April __, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my FATHER, whose name is OHMAN ABDELRAHEEM and who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Mohammed Naji Allawo, Najeeb Bin Mohammed al-Nauimi and Clive Stafford Smith (of *Justice In Exile*), Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my relative's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.



Name:

Witnessed:

Najeeb Najab
Print Name:

Exhibit O

Affidavit of [REDACTED]

Comes now, [REDACTED], under oath, and makes the following statement in Sana'a, Yemen:

I am the brother of Othman Abdulraheem Mohammad, who was born in 1981. Our family is five brothers and four sisters. Our father was a police officer, but he disappeared on January 13, 1986, during the Civil War. That left me looking after the family.

My mother is 54 years old and her health is really bad because she has suffered so much. She cannot believe Othman is in Guantanamo Bay because he was so social and friendly with everyone. Meanwhile, my mother has suffered many other tragedies. My mother had a brother die in the civil war, and another brother and her father were also killed by a land mine. She had another son, [REDACTED], who left a year after Othman. He called last in October 2001, and has not been heard of since. We do not know where he is, or even if he is still alive.

My brother Othman loved to swim, play football and travel. He was voluntarily working to help teach people to read the Koran.

I last saw my brother in July 1999, when he left to teach Koran in Pakistan. He used to call often, and the last call was in October 2001.

We learned that he was in Guantanamo Bay through the political police in Yemen. Six months after that we received a letter from the United States. We received a call from the Red Cross, and have received some letters through them.

I would not believe that my brother would commit a violent act. He is a very emotional man, very sensitive, and while he might well be teaching the Koran somewhere, he would not be violent. If anyone had a problem in our area, he would always be the first one to help.

We last received a letter from him in October 2003, written in August 2003. Most of the letters had censored lines, which frightened the family for his safety. One letter said how he was arrested. He was trying to escape Afghanistan when the war began, along with some other people, but he was not allowed to leave the country. They sought refuge with one of the tribes between Pakistan and Afghanistan, but then their money was taken from them, and then they were turned over to the Americans.

I know that my brother would want me to take whatever steps I could on his behalf and I wish to act as his next friend in court.

Signed this 10th day of April, 2004.

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Witnessed: _____

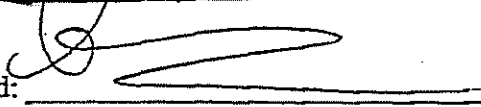
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Exhibit P

Date: April __, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my BROTHER, whose name is ADEL SAEED, and who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Mohammed Naji Allawo, Najeeb Bin Mohammed al-Nauimi and Clive Stafford Smith (of *Justice In Exile*), Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my relative's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

Name:  

Witnessed:

Nabeel Rajab

Print Name:

Exhibit Q

Affidavit of [REDACTED]

Comes now, [REDACTED], under oath, and makes the following statement in Sana'a, Yemen:

I am the brother of Adil Saeed el Haj Obaid. There are six children in our family, three girls and three boys. Our father is retired, and our mother is deceased. I am the youngest boy in the family. Ahmed is the oldest. Saeed is the middle boy.

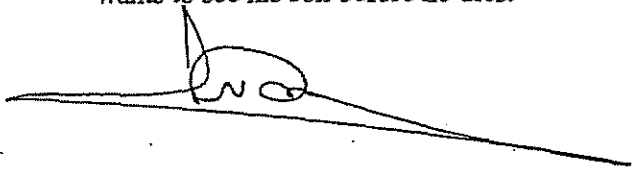
Saeed was born in 1973. He is not married. He finished school here. He would cover books for work. He was a very quiet person, who loved to read, and teach others to read. He enjoyed swimming. He got along very well with everyone in our neighborhood. He also loved to travel.

He always used to help our parents and was very respectful.

I last saw him in July 2001. He left to go to Pakistan for further Islamic studies. He would call every couple of months, telling us that he was doing well on his studies.

We learned that he was in Guantanamo through the newspaper and then we received about ten letters from him. The letters have been censored. This made us more afraid that something harmful was happening to him and they were trying to hide this. The last letter was on June 21, 2003, where he asked us to do whatever we could to try to release him. However, we do not have the money – with my father retired, him gone, and so on – to do much.

Every day I go home, my father looks at my face looking for an answer about where Saeed might be. My father has suffered a great deal. He says every day that he wants to see his son before he dies.

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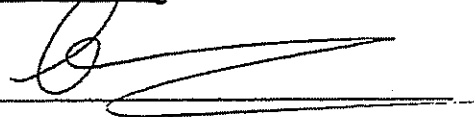
Seeing the pictures of the prisoners in Guantanamo, and learning how they have been mistreated, has made our lives much more difficult. We wish we could have some contact with him.

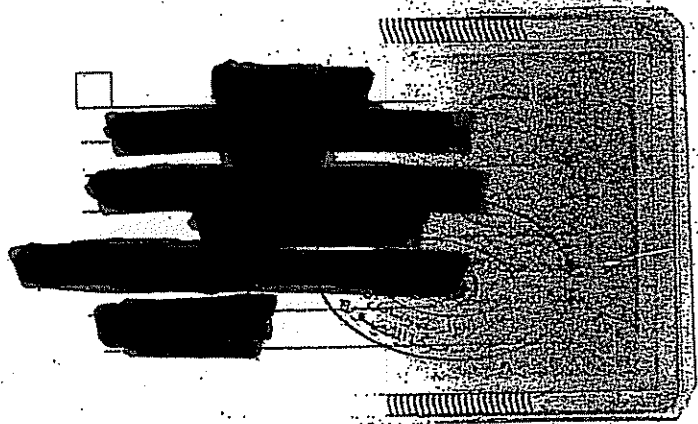
I know that my brother would want me to take whatever steps I could on his behalf and I wish to act as his next friend in court.

Signed this 10th day of April, 2004.

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Witnessed: _____

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Exhibit R

Date: April __, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my BROTHER, whose name is Mohamed Mohamed Hasan Odaini, and who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Mohammed Naji Allawo, Najeeb Bin Mohammed al-Nauimi and Clive Stafford Smith (of *Justice In Exile*), Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my relative's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

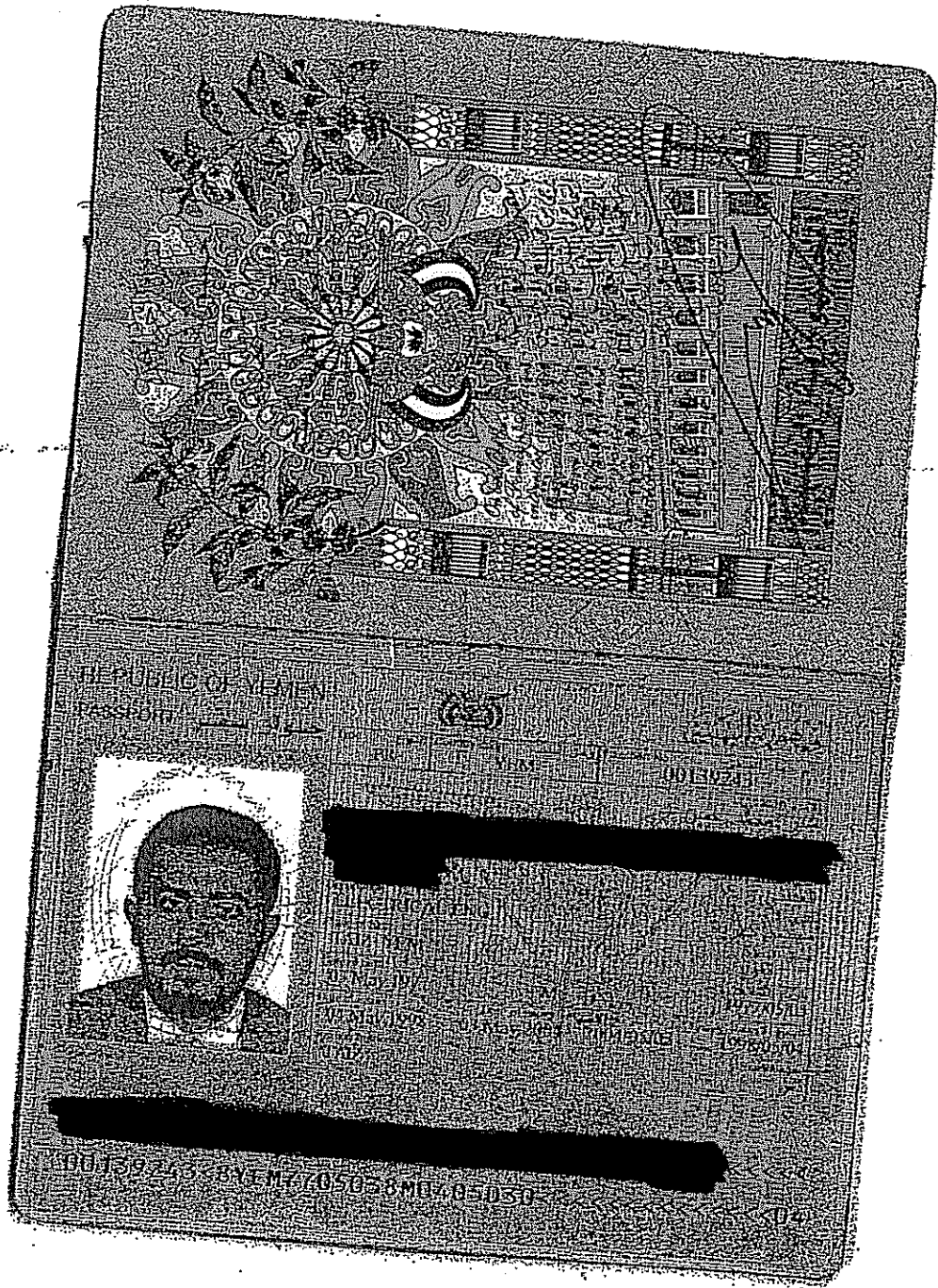
[Redacted Signature]

Name:

Witnessed:

[Handwritten Signature]

Print Name:



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Exhibit S

Affidavit of 

Comes now,  under oath, and makes the following statement in Sana'a, Yemen:

I am the brother of Mohammed Mohammed Hassan Odeini. My parents have sixteen children – nine girls and seven boys. I am the second oldest. Mohammed is the sixth child.

My father is a policeman with the political security in Yemen. My mother looks after all the children. I am an engineer with a telephone company here in Yemen.

My brother is 21. He was born in 1983. My father remarried and therefore I and my brother lived mainly with our mother, who was his first wife. My brother was something of a loner, and would stay by himself a great deal. He did not have, or look for, many friends of his own age.

He was a very quiet boy, and respectful of his elders. He enjoyed playing football. His ambition was to become a policeman like his father.

My brother loves children very much. If he were not a policeman, he would like to teach children. Indeed, he liked to teach children anyway, even though he was young.

My brother is still young and he is not particularly religious at this stage in life. He would shave. We would usually go the beach together for holidays and have parties there. He was anything but an extremist when it came to religion.

My brother had a good relationship with everyone I know. I have never heard anything violent about him for his whole life. I do not believe that my brother would have wanted to hurt, let alone kill, anyone. I know him. I know he cannot have done

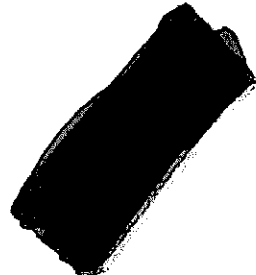
what the Americans may believe of him – act like a terrorist and so on. He is just not the kind of person who does that.

My brother left in 2000, and he planned to study in Pakistan. He wanted to study Islamic law, the Sharia. When he got to Pakistan, he called my mother to tell her how he was doing. He was studying and also working in Pakistan to support himself. Then, in the middle of 2002, he simply disappeared – we did not hear from him for a long time.

We were very worried about him when he disappeared. We heard towards the end of 2002 – around December – that he was in Guantanamo Bay. We learned when we received a letter from him through the Red Cross. We have received four messages through the Red Cross. For example, on March 28, 2003, he wrote to us about how we are witnesses that he went to Pakistan to study, not do anything wrong. He asked us to pray for him. He asked us to help him keep in touch with the family. He said he would not forget his family, no matter how long he might be held in Guantanamo Bay.

This has been very difficult for my family. Particularly for my mother, because Mohammed was the only son who still lived with her. She has cried a great deal ever since she learned that he was in captivity, and she still cries a lot today, whenever she thinks about his situation.

I feel as if I have lost my brother. I feel frustrated because I have worried about what I can do for him – who can I talk to, what help can I give him. I have gone onto websites to search for what I might be able to do. But all I have found is a site that tells us of the problems that the prisoners are facing. I found a website from some British organization that said it might be able to help, so I sent them a letter. But I have not been able to do anything to help my brother.



I do believe that sometime he will come home, because I know that he is innocent. I believe that the Americans will find him not guilty, and I pray for his release.

I know that my brother would want me to take whatever steps I could on his behalf and I wish to act as his next friend in court.

Signed this 11th day of April, 2004.



Witnessed: _____

A handwritten signature in black ink, written over a horizontal line.


Exhibit T

Date: April __, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my brother, whose name is Sadeq, Mohammed Said and who is being held at Guantanamo Bay. I hereby authorize Mohammed Naji Allawo, Najeeb Bin Mohammed al-Nauimi and Clive Stafford Smith (of *Justice In Exile*), Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my relative's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

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Witnessed: 2004 

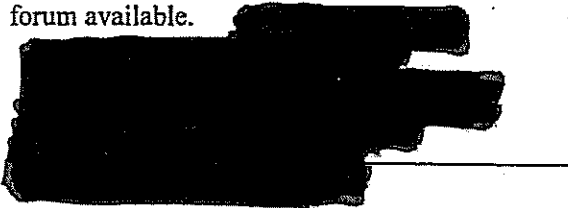
Print Name:

Exhibit U

Date: April 10, 2004

Authorization

I am acting as next friend for my nephew, FAROUK ALI AHMED SAIF, who is being held at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba by the United States military. I hereby authorize Michael Ratner and the Center for Constitutional Rights, as well as Joe Margulies and Clive Stafford Smith, and any person assigned by these lawyers, to act on my behalf and on my nephew's behalf, to secure any documents and information concerning my nephew that are necessary for his defense, and to seek whatever redress they believe to be in his best interests, in the courts of the United States, and in any other legal forum available.

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Witnessed:

Ahmed Faisad

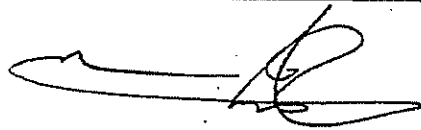
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Exhibit V

DECLARATION BY [REDACTED]

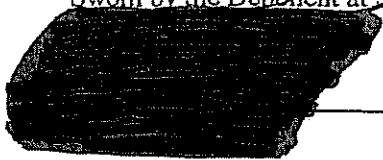
I, [REDACTED], of Sana'a, Yemen under oath make the following declaration:

1. I am a practicing Yemeni attorney and the uncle of Farouk Ali Ahmed Saif of Taiz, Yemen.
2. Farouk was born in 1982. He is the second oldest son in my brother's family. He is the second oldest in a family of ten.
3. Farouk is perhaps the best loved member of my brother's family. He is the "spiritual father" to his younger siblings. They look to him as a model on how to lead their lives.
4. Farouk completed his high school studies in 1999. He was a diligent and hardworking student and was particularly good at Islamic Studies. He was desperately keen to further his studies in this field beyond High School. As well as an excellent student, Farouk loved to play sport, especially football. He was popular amongst his fellow students, well liked and respected. Annexed hereto and marked "FAS 1" are copies of Farouk's High School transcripts.
5. Farouk left Yemen for Pakistan in May 2001. He left to pursue advanced Islamic Studies at a University in Karachi. Such a course of study is not available in Yemen which meant he had to go elsewhere. He opted for Pakistan because it has a worldwide renowned reputation for Islamic studies. Although his family was sad to see him - particularly his mother, as Farouk was her favorite son - they understood his reasons for leaving and knew they would see him again soon. Following completion of his studies in Pakistan, Farouk intended to return to his family in Yemen and to teach Islam to the Yemeni people. He has always expressed interest in teaching and helping his people better understand the teachings of Islam.
6. About a month after his arrival in Pakistan, Farouk wrote his elder brother in Taiz to let him know that he was in good health and, importantly, well on his way to being accepted for a course of study at a University in Karachi.
7. This was the last his family heard from Farouk for over a year and a half, when to their complete shock and horror they received a short note from him letting them know that he was detained at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. He said that he was well and asked that his family not worry about him. The letter came through the International Committee of the Red Cross.

8. Since receiving this first letter Farouk's family has received a total of seven letters from him. He sent two of them to me personally. All said more or less the same thing; that he was fine, that he was innocent of any wrongdoing, that we should all pray that he be released soon, and that we shouldn't worry about him. The last message we received was some six months ago, in November 2003. This silence has caused all of us great concern. Annexed hereto marked "FAS 2" are copies of some of the ICRC messages sent by Farouk together with English translations.
9. Farouk's disappearance and detention at Guantanamo has had a significant adverse impact on our family. For a year and a half we didn't even know where he was. Learning that he was held at Guantanamo came as a great shock to us all.
10. His mother and father have suffered the most. His mother is being treated for psychological depression at Taiz hospital. Her anguish over Farouk's disappearance has left the left side of his face almost paralyzed. Farouk's father too has been treated for depression. He has lost all hope of ever seeing him alive again. His brothers and sisters as well as myself all feel a deep sense of loss and hopelessness about his disappearance.
11. Farouk is a peace loving man, one who has never engaged or condoned violence of any kind. He is not a member of Al Qaeda, nor was he ever a member of the Taliban government armed forces. As far as we are aware, Farouk was simply a student living in Pakistan. We have no idea who arrested him or the reasons for his arrest. We have no idea why he is now being held at Guantanamo.
12. Neither myself, nor any other member of Farouk's family have contacted either the United States Embassy in Yemen or the Yemen Government authorities to find out more about Farouk's arrest and detention at Guantanamo. We don't think that such an approach would be fruitful and besides we are too afraid to do so.
13. To the best of my knowledge no charges have been laid against Farouk. Nor has he been brought before a judicial officer of any properly constituted court or tribunal since his detention.
14. From my nephew's correspondence and my knowledge of his nature I know that Farouk wants me to take legal proceedings on his behalf to challenge the lawfulness of his detention. To this end I wish to act as his "next friend". Farouk's parents have expressly requested that I act in this capacity due to my legal training and residence in Sana'a, the Yemen capital.
15. I hereby instruct, request and authorize, Michael Ratner, Joe Margulies, Clive Stafford Smith, or their associates, to act on behalf of my nephew and to take whatever legal steps they consider be in my nephew's best interests including filing proceedings in U.S. and international fora.
16. I know the facts herein to be true of my own knowledge, except where otherwise appears.

At Sana'a on this 10th day of April, 2004

Sworn by the Deponent at Sana'a on this 10th day of April, 2004



Before me:

Lower Ahmed Faisal

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Exhibit W

DATE: April -2004

Authorization

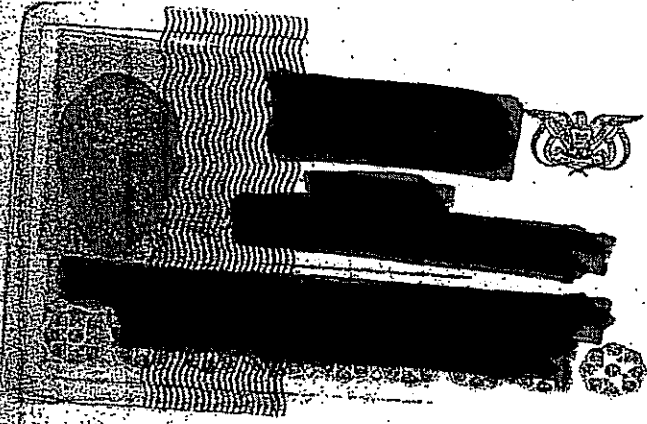
I am acting as next frind for my Son whose name is Salman Yahawi H son Mohammed Saad And who is being hled at Cuantanamo Bay. I hercby authorize Mohammed Naji ALLawo , Najeeb Bin Mohammed AL- nauimi and clive Stafford Smith (of gustice in Exile) , Michael ratner and the Canter for Constitutional Rights , and any person assigned by these Lawyers , to ect on my behalf and on my relative's behalf , to secure any documents and information concerning my relative that are necessary for his defense , and to seek whetever redrass they believe to be in his best interests , in the courts of the united States , and in any other legal forum available.

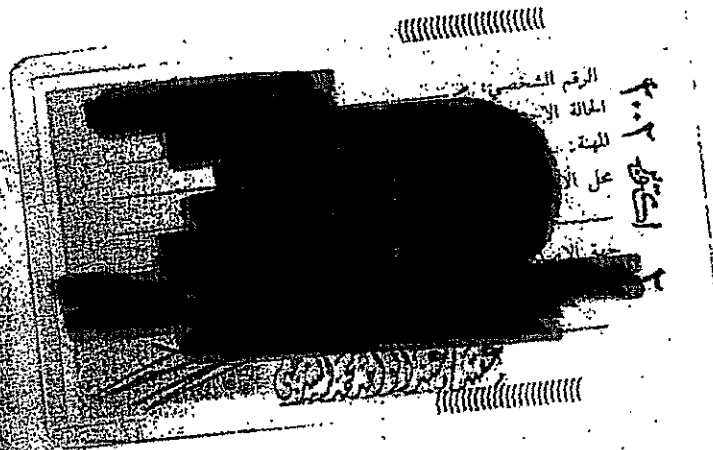

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have caused a copy of the foregoing Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus and a Local Rule 405 Related-Case Notification to be served this 27th day of July 2004, by registered mail on:

The Honorable John D. Ashcroft
Attorney General of the United States
United States Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530;

The Honorable Donald Rumsfeld,
Secretary, United States
Department of Defense
1000 Defense Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301-1000;

Army Brigadier General Jay Hood
Commander, Joint Task Force-GTMO
Guantanamo Bay Naval Station
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; and

Army Colonel Nelson J. Cannon
Commander, Camp Delta
Guantanamo Bay Naval Station
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

I further certify that I have caused a copy of the foregoing Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus and a Local Rule 405 Related-Case Notification to be served this same day by hand on:

The Honorable Kenneth L. Wainstein
Interim United States Attorney for the District of Columbia
Judiciary Center
555 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530.

David H. Remes

David H. Remes
Covington & Burling
1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004-2401

DETAINEE ELECTION FORM

Date: 27 SEP 04

Start Time: 1310

End Time: 1420

ISN#: [REDACTED]

Personal Representative: [REDACTED], LTC, US ARMY
(Name/Rank)

Translator Required? Y Language? ARABIC

CSRT Procedure Read to Detainee or Written Copy Read by Detainee? YES

Detainee Election:

- Wants to Participate in Tribunal**
- Affirmatively Declines to Participate in Tribunal**
- Uncooperative or Unresponsive**

Personal Representative Comments:

Detainee will provide an oral statement. Detainee has requested more than one witness. He
indicated that all those who were captured in the house with him can testify that it was not a
Taliban or Al-Queda guesthouse. He indicated that they were school friends and remembered
only one full name, which on a cursory search of JDIMs, I could not find. A review of the
capture document indicates that [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and about 11 others were captured with the
detainee.

Personal Representative: [REDACTED]

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MEMO FOR RECORD
TO: PR #52
FROM: TRIBUNAL # 6

29 September 2004

SUBJECT: ISN # [REDACTED] Request For Witnesses/Documents

The Tribunal reviewed the request from Detainee # [REDACTED] to contact detainees captured with him as witnesses. Detainee # [REDACTED] said the witnesses would testify that the guesthouse they were residing, is not a Taliban or Al-Qaida guesthouse.

The Tribunal determines his request to be relevant but unreasonable to contact all detainees that were captured with him. You are requested to schedule a follow-up interview with the detainee. Detainee must identify the names of two detainees who will testify that the guesthouse they were residing is not a Taliban or Al-Qaida guesthouse. Without the names of the detainees this request is deemed not reasonable.

[REDACTED]
COL, USA,
Tribunal President

Enclosure (5) 3576

Personal Representative Review of the Record of Proceedings

I acknowledge that on 14 October 2004, I was provided the opportunity to review the record of proceedings for the Combatant Status Review Tribunal involving ISN # [REDACTED]

I have no comments.

My comments are attached.

[REDACTED], LTC
Name

14 OCT 04
Date

[REDACTED]
Signature

ISN # [REDACTED]
Enclosure (6)