

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO
GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA
APO AE 09360

JTF GTMO-CG

08 March 2003

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

SUBJECT: (S) Transfer Recommendation for Guantanamo Detainee, Mohammed Tahir, ISN: US9AF-00643DP

1. (S) **Personal Information:** Mohammed Tahir is an Afghan national born in 1975 (age 28) in Mirkhan Khail, Afghanistan. Detainee is in good health.

2. (FOUO) **Detention Information:** Subject detainee worked for years as a common warehouse laborer in Tehran, Iran. Detainee returned to Syagherd, Afghanistan in October 2001, after he heard of the American attacks in Afghanistan, as he feared for his elderly father's safety. While at home, detainee was forcibly conscripted by the Taliban. Detainee was taken to the Bamian region, dropped off with two other conscripts at an observation outpost in the Bamian region of central Afghanistan where he served as a guard for about 15 days. Detainee was given one AK-47 assault rifle and told to guard the area from the approach of enemy troops. No military training was given to the detainee. After the collapse of the Taliban around Bamian, detainee tried to walk back home and was captured by a group of Hazara-Afghan militia and held for about five months. In April 2002, detainee was transferred, by Hazara militia forces to U.S. control. Detainee was subsequently transported to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba on 9 June 2002 because of his knowledge of Taliban leaders and their disposition in the mountains of the Bamian Province of Afghanistan. Detainee has been cooperative, but Joint Task Force Guantanamo considers the information obtained from and about him as neither valuable nor tactically exploitable.

3. (S) **Assessment:** Based on current information, detainee ISN: US9AF-00643DP is assessed as being neither affiliated with al-Qaida nor a Taliban leader. Moreover, based on the detainee folder, the knowledgeable brief, and subsequent interrogations by JTF Guantanamo, the results of which are available on the JTF Guantanamo detainee database, the detainee has no further intelligence value to the United States and will not be seen for further intelligence purposes. Subject detainee has not expressed thoughts of violence or made threats toward the U.S. or its allies during interrogations or in the course of his detention. Based on the above, detainee does not pose a future threat to the U.S. or its interests.

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4. (S) **Recommendation:** In view of the foregoing, I recommend subject detainee be considered for transfer for release to the control of another government.

5. (C) **Coordination:** JTF Guantanamo notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force of this recommendation on 06 March 2003.


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