



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

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

JTF GTMO-CG

30 August 2003

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

SUBJECT: (S//NF) Transfer Recommendation for Guantanamo Detainee, Khan Shah Qalandar, ISN: US9AF-000812DP

1. (S) **Personal Information:** Khan Shah Qalandar is an Afghan national, born in 1973 (age 30) in Kandahar, Afghanistan. He has been diagnosed with latent Tuberculosis, but is otherwise in good health.

2. (S) **Detention Information:** Subject detainee stated that from 1993-1996 he worked as a veterinarian for the Dutch Committee for Afghanistan, in his hometown of Burmal, Afghanistan (AF). From 1996-2000 he claims he was self-employed as a teacher where he would teach from his home, guesthouses, and the Merkurz-E-Akhlaq Center (Center for Morals). He taught people how to read and write Pashtu, English, math and painting. Detainee also claims he supported his family through construction, tailoring, and farming his land. Detainee stated that he was asleep when Americans raided the compound where he and his family lived, which was located north of the village of Maghra, AF. Detainee, his uncle (Pacha Gul), and his cousin (Abdul Adin) were present in the home during the raid. Detainee admits that this area is known to have been an egress route for Taliban and Al-Qaida fighters fleeing into Pakistan. Detainee stated that he was awoken by gunfire and he later learned that as the Americans approached they were shot at by unknown persons and those people fled the compound. Detainee stated he had nothing to fear from the Americans so when he was told to surrender, he did so. [Field note: The following items were recovered from the compound, 1-107mm rocket launcher, 5-AK-47s, 1-RPG launcher, 9- RPG rounds, 4-hand grenades, 1-dragonov rifle, several pistols, and 600-rounds of ammo]. Detainee claims to know nothing regarding the weapons hidden at the compound. Detainee was arrested and subsequently transported to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba on 28 October 2002 because of his suspected involvement with subversive elements. Detainee wishes to be returned to his home in Burmal, AF where he plans to continue his education and possibly work for the current Afghan government.

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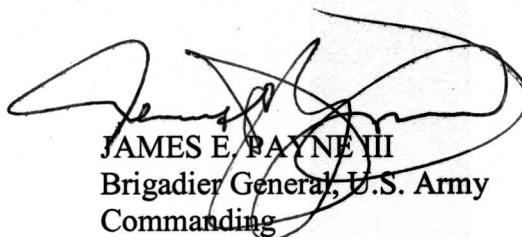
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3. (S) **Assessment:** Based on information collected and available to Joint Task Force Guantanamo as of 24 August 2003, detainee ISN: US9AF-000812DP is assessed as being neither affiliated with Al-Qaida nor a Taliban leader. Moreover, based on the detainee's folder, the knowledgeability brief, and subsequent interrogations by JTF Guantanamo, the detainee is of low intelligence value to the United States. Based on the above, detainee poses a low threat risk to the U.S., however because of his subversive activities and affiliations in Afghanistan, he is assessed to pose a medium threat risk to the Afghan government.

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

5. (C) **Coordination:** JTF Guantanamo notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force of this recommendation on 18 August 2003.



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