



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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

JTF GTMO-CG

18 January 2003

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

SUBJECT: Transfer Recommendation for Guantanamo Detainee, Tariq Khan,
ISN: US9PK-00097DP

1. (S) **Personal Information:** Tariq Khan is a Pakistani national born in 1978 (age 24) in Village 426, Pakistan. Detainee has latent tuberculosis but is otherwise in good health.
2. (FOUO) **Detention Information:** On 1 November 2001, subject detainee left his home in Hyderabad, Pakistan via bus for Quetta, Pakistan where he regularly purchased inexpensive cigarettes in bulk. While in Quetta, detainee was approached in a mosque by Tabliqi Jamiat Group members who invited him to go to Afghanistan with them to teach Islam. Detainee agreed to join this group for a period of four months. Approximately two weeks later, they were in Mazar-e-Sharif when the allied bombing campaign began in the region. Detainee was advised to flee the area and return to Pakistan. He boarded a bus that was largely occupied by Taliban Pashtuns. When he realized this, he got off of the bus at the next stop, a hospital, where we sought refuge. After approximately a week at the hospital, detainee joined a caravan of vehicles fleeing Afghanistan, but Northern Alliance forces stopped and arrested them on 27 November 2001. Detainee was placed in a shipping container with about 250 other individuals and transported to Sheberghan Prison where he was incarcerated for approximately one month before Northern Alliance forces transferred him to U.S. control. Detainee was transported to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba, because of his knowledge of the conflict in Mazar-e-Sharif and the conditions surrounding the surrender of Taliban and pro-Taliban fighters to General Dostum's Northern Alliance forces. He arrived on approximately 14 August 2002. The detainee has been cooperative, but Joint Task Force Guantanamo considers the information obtained from and about him as not valuable or tactically exploitable.
3. (S) **Assessment:** Based on current information, detainee ISN: US9PK-00097DP is assessed as neither affiliated with al-Qaida nor as being a Taliban leader. Moreover, based on the detainee folder, the knowledgeability 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

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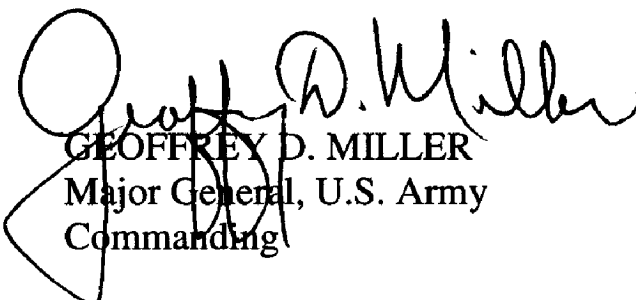
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intelligence purposes. Subject detainee has not expressed thoughts of violence or made threats toward the U.S. or its allies during interrogations or in the course of his detention. Based on the above, detainee does not pose a future threat to the U.S. or U.S. interests.

4. (S) **Recommendation:** In view of the foregoing, I recommend subject detainee be considered for release or transfer to the control of another government. During a visit to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, from 3 to 10 August 2002, Pakistani Intelligence officers interrogated ISN: US9PK-00097DP, and concluded that he had little or no intelligence value. They stated that their government would accept custody of US9PK-00097DP if released by the U.S. government.
5. (C) **Coordination:** JTF Guantanamo notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force of this recommendation on 12 December 2002.


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