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Department of Defense
Office for the Administrative Review of the Detention of Enemy
Combatants at US Naval Base Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

19 February 2006

TO: KAMEL, ABDULLAH KAMEL ABUDALLAH

SUBJECT: UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE
REVIEW BOARD IN THE CASE OF KAMEL, ABDULLAH KAMEL
ABUDALLAH

1. An Administrative Review Board will be convened to review your case to determine if your continued detention is necessary.
2. The Administrative Review Board will conduct a comprehensive review of all reasonably available and relevant information regarding your case. At the conclusion of this review the Board will make a recommendation to: (1) release you to your home state; (2) transfer you to your home state, with conditions agreed upon by the United States and your home state; or (3) continue your detention under United States control.

3. The following primary factors favor continued detention:

- a. Commitment

1. Sometime after 11 September 2001, the detainee flew from Kuwait to Iran by himself with approximately \$15,000 United States Dollars. The detainee could not remember the name of the city he stayed in, but stated that the city was located near the Iran-Afghanistan border. The detainee planned on staying in Afghanistan for seven days and took vacation from his employer for the time he planned on being in Afghanistan. The detainee did not tell his wife that he was taking their money to give to the poor in Afghanistan. The money that the detainee took to Afghanistan had been kept at his house and not withdrawn from his bank.

2. For information about traveling to Afghanistan, the detainee visited a Kuwaiti mosque and spoke with an Afghani. The Afghani told the detainee to first travel to Iran and then cross the border into Afghanistan. The Afghani also provided the detainee with a letter written in Afghan explaining that he was traveling to Afghanistan to help the poor and included an address in Herat, Afghanistan.

3. After arriving in Iran, the detainee took a taxi to the border with Afghanistan where he walked across the border after getting his passport stamped with an Iranian exit stamp. The detainee then presented the letter he received from the Afghani to the taxi driver. The taxi took him to the address in Herat, Afghanistan that was included in the letter.

4. The detainee arrived in Herat. For the next 10 to 15 days, the detainee distributed food and supplies to refugees located between Herat and the Iranian border. The detainee purchased approximately \$1,000 United States Dollars worth of supplies each day and would also rent

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vehicles (small pickup trucks) to transport the supplies. He would usually have to rent 3-4 vehicles to carry the supplies. The supplies were purchased at a local market in Herat. The drive from Herat to the refugee camp took several hours. The detainee used approximately \$13,000 of the \$15,000 United States Dollars he traveled with to purchase the supplies and vehicles. The detainee called back to his family several times from phone centers to tell them that he was fine.

5. During the beginning of United States air strikes in Afghanistan, the detainee said he was staying at a small, unidentified village in the vicinity of Jalalabad and subsequently decided to leave the country. He paid Afghan smugglers his remaining \$1,800 United States Dollars to guide him into Pakistan. Once inside Pakistan, the detainee stayed in a small village and was then captured by Pakistani authorities.

6. A source claims that the detainee traveled to Afghanistan two times.

7. A source claims that while the detainee was at the Kandahar guesthouse he heard a speech given by Usama bin Laden.

8. A source stated that he did not believe the detainee brought money with him to Afghanistan. The source believes that the detainee went to Afghanistan to fight.

b. Training

A source claims that the detainee first traveled to Afghanistan in 2000 and attended a basic training course at a training camp. The detainee traveled to Karachi where he stayed at a guesthouse.

c. Connections/Associations

1. The detainee's name was found on a 20-gigabyte hard drive associated with al Qaida. The file provides a listing of names of captured Mujahidin.

2. The detainee's name was found on a computer server hard drive recovered by allied personnel in a suspected al Qaida safe house.

3. The detainee's name was found on a document listing 324 Arabic names, aliases, and nationalities recovered from safe house raids associated with suspected al Qaida.

4. The detainee's name was found on a document that was printed from an internet site on 20 July 2002. The internet document contains information regarding the capture of Taliban and al Qaida fighters who had crossed the border after the 11 September 2001 retaliation.

5. A foreign government service reported that the detainee was a member of al Qaida.

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4. The following primary factors favor release or transfer:

a. The detainee denied involvement with the Taliban or al Qaida, and the detainee denied having any knowledge of the attacks in the United States prior to their execution on 11 September 2001. The detainee also denied knowledge of any rumors or plans of future attacks on the United States or United States interests.

b. The detainee did not attend any military type training while in Iran or Afghanistan. The detainee did not meet anyone he believes was a member of or associated with al Qaida.

c. The detainee claims he took \$15,000 United States Dollars to give to the poor in Afghanistan.

d. After 11 September 2001 the detainee wanted to help the poor in Afghanistan. He was concerned for the many Afghans who became refugees fleeing Afghanistan, fearing that the United States would bomb their country. The detainee went to a center to donate 100 Kuwaiti Dinars (approximately \$333 United States Dollars). However, the center would not accept the money to assist the people of Afghanistan because the conflict in Afghanistan made assistance to the poor dangerous. The detainee decided that he would go to Afghanistan himself to assist the poor.

5. You will be afforded a meaningful opportunity to be heard and to present information to the Board; this includes an opportunity to be physically present at the proceeding. The Assisting Military Officer (AMO) will assist you in reviewing all relevant and reasonably available unclassified information regarding your case. The AMO is not an advocate for or against continued detention, nor may the AMO form a confidential relationship with you or represent you in any other matter.

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