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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, United States Southern Command, 3511 NW 9lst Avenue, Miami, FL 33172

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) for Guantanamo Detainee, ISN US9YM-000321DP (S)

JTF-GTMO Detainee Assessment

1. (S) Personal Information:

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: <u>Ahmed Jyaslam Saijid Kuman</u>
- Current/True Name and Aliases: <u>Ahmad Yaslam Said Kuman, Abu Muhammad, al-Awwam, al-Awam al-Hijazi, Omar, al-Kehel, Abu Ahmad, Ahmad Muhammad al-Yemeni, Ahmad Muhammad al-Hadrami</u>
- Place of Birth: Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 15 January 1980
- Citizenship: Yemen (YM)
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): <u>US9YM-000321DP</u>
- **2.** (U//FOUO) Health: Detainee is in overall good health.

3. (U) JTF-GTMO Assessment:

- **a.** (S) Recommendation: JTF-GTMO recommends this detainee for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD). JTF-GTMO previously assessed detainee for Continued Detention on 12 December 2006.
- **b.** (S//NF) Executive Summary: Detainee is assessed to be a committed member of al-Qaida with up to three years in Afghanistan (AF) participating in jihadist combat. Detainee was recruited and facilitated in Yemen by a known al-Qaida operative, and traveled to Afghanistan (AF) for jihad. Detainee participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces on the front lines as a fighter in Usama Bin Laden's (UBL) 55th Arab Brigade, and as

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an al-Qaida fighter at the Tora Bora Mountain Complex. Detainee associated with senior al-Qaida leadership through close personal relationships with UBL and his family, and was reported to be a possible UBL bodyguard and money courier. Detainee received basic militant training at the al-Qaida al-Faruq Training Camp and was identified as receiving advanced training through the al-Qaida commando course. Detainee stayed at al-Qaida affiliated guesthouses and his name and alias are included on associated documents.

[ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS DETAINEE IS AVAILABLE IN AN **SCI SUPPLEMENT.**] JTF-GTMO determined this detainee to be:

- A **HIGH** risk, as he is likely to pose a threat to the US, its interests, and allies
- A **HIGH** threat from a detention perspective
- Of **MEDIUM** intelligence value
- c. (S//NF) Summary of Changes: The following outlines changes to detainee's assessment since the last JTF-GTMO recommendation. (Changes in this assessment will be annotated by \triangleright next to the footnote.)
 - Attributed al-Kehel, al-Awam al-Hijazi, Omar, Ahmad Muhammad al-Yemeni, and Ahmad Muhammad al-Hadrami aliases to detainee ¹
 - Added details to detainee's recruitment and travel
 - Provided additional details regarding detainee's activities in Afghanistan

4. (U) Detainee's Account of Events:

The following section is based, unless otherwise indicated, on detainee's own account. These statements are included without consideration of veracity, accuracy, or reliability.

a. (S//NF) Prior History: Although born in Saudi Arabia, detainee claims Yemeni citizenship.² Detainee attended primary school and the first year of middle school in Jeddah and moved to Mecca, SA for seven months where he worked pushing a cart to carry elderly people during the Hajj.³ Detainee returned to Jeddah and found that he was wanted by Saudi authorities on drug charges relating to the narcotic "khat." Detainee fled to Yemen and stayed for two weeks with his uncles and moved to Sanaa, YM.⁵

¹ ≥ 000653 FM40 06-AUG-2003, TD-314/52511-04, Analyst Note: A variant of Omar is Umar.

² 000321 SIR 07-OCT-2004, 000321 SIR 30-AUG-2004, Analyst Note: Detainee was not automatically granted Saudi citizenship due to his parent's Yemeni heritage.

³ 000321 SIR 30-AUG-2004

⁴ Analyst Note: Khat (also kat or qat) is an evergreen shrub (Catha edulis) native to the Horn of Africa and the Arabian Peninsula. Khat is a narcotic leaf.

⁵ 000321 SIR 30-AUG-2004

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- **b.** (S//NF) Recruitment and Travel: Detainee met Abdul Majid Zindani in Yemen in July 2001, who advised detainee of a *fatwa* (religious ruling or edict) issued by Shaykh Hamud Bin Uqla al-Shuaibi, aka (Shaykh Hamoud al-Aqla), for jihad against the infidels, Masoud and the Northern Alliance in Afghanistan. In preparation for his travels, detainee applied for a visa at the Pakistan Embassy in Sanaa, but was rejected. Detainee had obtained his passport in al-Mukalla, YM, in 1999. Ali al-Yafi, who detainee met at the Abu Bakr Saddiq Mosque in the al-Hasabah section of Sanaa, took detainee's passport and two days later returned his passport with a Pakistani visa. Al-Yafi also provided him the address of the Taliban office in Quetta, Pakistan (PK), and purchased detainee's airline ticket with money detainee stole from his father. Detainee flew to Karachi, PK and continued on to Quetta where he explained to Taliban members his desire fight in Afghanistan. Detainee then left Pakistan and traveled to Afghanistan.
- **c.** (S//NF) Training and Activities: Muhammad Walli, an Afghan who spoke Arabic, trained detainee for a week and a half outside of Kandahar, AF. Detainee trained on the AK-47 assault rifle and the PK machine gun. Detainee then flew to Kabul, AF where he stayed at the Taliban Center for one week and requested to fight on the front lines. Detainee was sent to the Bagram, AF airport and worked as a guard for three months. When the Coalition bombing campaign began, detainee traveled to Jalalabad, AF, which later fell to the Northern Alliance. Detainee then traveled to Pakistan, crossing the border from the Afghanistan province of Nangarhar on 14 December 2001. Detainee stated when a bus overturned following shooting on the bus; he escaped and surrendered after proceeding two kilometers. He is a part of the Afghanistan province of Nangarhar on 14 December 2001.

⁶ 000321 302 17-MAY-2002, TD-314/00952-02, Analyst Note: A variant of Uqla is Aqla. Shaykh Uqla is Shaykh Hamud Bin Uqla. Uqla was one of the first radical religious leaders to issue *fatwas* calling on Muslims to support the mujahideen who were assisting the Afghans fight the Soviets. In 1995, he was among several clerics arrested for criticizing the Saudi royal family's pro-Western policies. After the 11 September 2001 attacks on the US, he issued *fatwas* declaring that those supporting the US and Coalition forces against Muslims (a reference to the Taliban, al-Qaida, and mujahideen supporting them) were themselves non-believers. His *fatwas* have "justified" the 11 September 2001 attacks and instructed Muslims to defend the Taliban. Uqla helped raise money for UBL until his death in Saudi Arabia in 2001.

⁷ TD-314/00952-02, Analyst Note: Ali al-Yafi is a variant of an alias used by known al-Qaida and Taliban recruiter, Marwan Qasim Jawan.

⁸ > TD-314/00952-02, TD-314/29792-02, 000321 302 17-MAY-2002

⁹ TD-314/00952-02, 000321 302 17-MAY-2002

¹⁰ 000321 302 17-MAY-2002

¹¹ TD-314/29792-02, 000321 INITIAL SCREENING 06-JAN-2002

¹² 000321 302 17-MAY-2002, 000321 SIR 18-DEC-2006, Analyst Note: In 2006, detainee stated he was on the front lines at Bagram for five months.

¹³ 000321 302 17-MAY-2002

¹⁴ TD-314/00952-02

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5. (U) Capture Information:

a. (S//NF) Detainee fled Afghanistan with a group of al-Qaida and Taliban fighters led by UBL appointed military commander in Tora Bora, Ali Muhammad Abdul Aziz al-Fakhri aka (Ibn al-Shaykh al-Libi), ISN US9LY-000212DP (LY-212). The group crossed the Afghani-Pakistani border in the Nangarhar region in mid-December 2001. Their Pakistani contact convinced them to surrender their weapons and gathered the group in a mosque where Pakistani forces immediately arrested them. During transit to prison, one of the detainees attacked a guard leading to a struggle in which six Pakistani guards were killed and some prisoners escaped. Pakistani authorities transferred detainee to US custody on 2 January 2002, in Kohat, PK. 16

b. (S) Property Held:

- Casio model F-91 digital wristwatch
- 1100 Pakistani rupees¹⁷
- Piece of paper ¹⁸
- c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO: 3 May 2002
- **d.** (S//NF) Reasons for Transfer to JTF-GTMO: To provide information on the following:
 - A Taliban training facility near Kandahar
 - Individuals and activities associated with recruiting and facilitation methodology, and the activities of Ali al-Yafi in Yemen
 - The *fatwa* for jihad issued by Shaykh Hamud al-Aqala in Yemen
 - Tribal associations and affiliations in the areas of Sanaa and Hadramout, YM
 - Activities, individuals, and weapons present at the front lines of Taliban forces near Bagram
- **6.** (S//NF) Evaluation of Detainee's Account: Detainee initially reported he was born in Hadramout, YM, but lived in Saudi Arabia. Detainee later stated he was born in Jeddah and spent his entire life in Saudi Arabia, but did not possess Saudi citizenship.¹⁹ Although much of

¹⁵ IIR 7 739 3396 02, Withdrawal from Tora Bora Analysis

¹⁶ TD-314/00845-02, DAB Association of Names to 195 Detainees 29-Dec-2006

¹⁷ In early 2002, 1100 Pakistani rupees was equivalent to \$19.17 USD

Analyst Note: The paper reportedly contained the phrase, "bullet . . 1" This item is not available.

¹⁹ 000321 SIR 07-OCT-2004, 000321 SIR 30-AUG-2004, Analyst Note: If detainee's parents are Yemeni, he does not automatically qualify for Saudi citizenship even though detainee was born in Saudi Arabia.

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detainee's story was corroborated with known events in Afghanistan, there are distinct omissions and discrepancies between detainee's story and other JTF-GTMO detainees' reporting of his activities. Detainee has condensed the timeframes associated with significant events in which he was involved. For example, detainee reported he was in Afghanistan for less than a year, while other JTF-GTMO detainees reported he was there as early as 1996. Detainee stated he received militant training for only a week and a half, while other JTF-GTMO detainees reported he had significant training, lasting months. Finally, detainee claimed to have lost his Yemeni passport, although he reportedly surrendered his passport for safe keeping at an al-Qaida affiliated guesthouse.²⁰

7. (U) Detainee Threat:

- **a. (S) Assessment:** Detainee is assessed to be a **HIGH** risk, as he is likely to pose a threat to the US, its interests, and allies.
- **b.** (S//NF) Reasons for Continued Detention: Detainee is assessed to be a member of al-Qaida. Detainee's name is included on al-Qaida affiliated documents and he has close ties to the Bin Laden family, possibly serving as a UBL bodyguard. A known recruiter and al-Qaida operative facilitated detainee's travel to Afghanistan for jihad. Detainee participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces on the front lines and in Tora Bora. Detainee is also assessed to have received basic and advanced commando training at al-Qaida camps. Detainee stayed at numerous al-Qaida guesthouses and served as a driver for one guesthouse.
 - (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to be a member of al-Qaida with close ties to the Bin Laden family, possibly serving as a UBL bodyguard. A known recruiter and al-Qaida operative facilitated detainee's travel to Afghanistan for jihad.
 - o (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to be a member of al-Qaida. Detainee's name and alias were found on a list of al-Qaida mujahideen stored on computer media recovered during raids against al-Qaida associated safe houses in Karachi on 11 September 2002, and in Rawalpindi, PK, on 1 March 2003. Detainee's trust account contained detainee's passport and photographs.²¹
 - (S//NF) Analyst Note: Such lists are indicative of an individual's residence within al-Qaida, Taliban, and other extremist guesthouses, often for the purpose of training or coordination prior to travel to the front lines or abroad. Trust accounts, also referred to as safety boxes or safety deposit boxes, were simply storage compartments, such as envelopes or folders, which guesthouse administrators used to secure the individual's personal valuables, such as

²⁰ TD-314/00952-02, TD-314/47683-03

²¹ TD-314/47683-03, Analyst Note: Detainee is listed as Ahmed Yaslam Kuman, aka (al-Awam), Trust account number 54-25.

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passports and plane tickets. These items were entrusted to the guesthouse until completion of training or other activity.

- o (S//NF) Arkan Muhammad Ghafil al-Karim, aka (Islam Abdul Rahman al-Hashimi), ISN-US9IZ-000653 (IZ-653), stated he believed detainee served as a bodyguard for UBL. IZ-653 stated detainee was a member of al-Qaida due to his association with the Kandahar Airport Group. 23
- o (S//NF) Yasin Muhammad Salih Mazeeb Basardah, ISN US9YM-000252DP (YM-252) stated detainee told him detainee was a personal friend to UBL's son Muhammad, and UBL treated detainee like one of his own sons. Detainee further informed YM-252 detainee had access to UBL at any time due of this relationship, and that he moved around quite a bit and had a lot of freedom to carry out his responsibilities.²⁴
 - (S//NF) In an earlier interview, YM-252 identified an individual named Ahmad Muhammad al-Yemeni who was like a son to UBL and whom YM-252 reported was "one of the closest persons to UBL." Ahmad drove for the Hajji Habash Guesthouse and was a fighter in Tora Bora. YM-252 also stated Ahmad was known to carry large sums of money. YM-252 also reported Ahmad Muhammad al-Hadrami drove for the guesthouse. (Analyst Note: It is assessed YM-252 was identifying detainee when discussing Ahmad Muhammad. The large sums of money may be related to courier duties distributing cash to the facilities or fighters in Afghanistan, supported by YM-252's claim that he moved around a lot and had unidentified responsibilities.)
- (S//NF) Detainee also had associations with other significant al-Qaida families.
 - (S//NF) Sharqawi Abdu Ali al-Hajj, aka (Riyadh the Facilitator), ISN PK9YM-001457DP (YM-1457), reported detainee was a friend of Husayn Muhammad Salih Bin Attash, the brother of Walid Muhammad Salah Bin Attash, ISN US9YM-010014DP (YM-10014). ²⁷ (Analyst Note: Members of the Attash family are among the most notorious al-Qaida operatives. YM-10014 is linked to the 1998 bombings in Kenya, was involved in the planning of the 11 September 2001 attack, and assisted those involved in the October 2000 USS COLE bombing off the Yemen coast.)

²⁴ 000252 FM40 31-MAY-2005

²⁷ Analyst Note: Husayn was killed in Kabul in 2001; see TD-314/32262-03.

²² IIR 6 034 1330 03, IIR 6 034 1331 03, 000653 FM40 06-AUG-2003

²³ IIR 6 034 1329 03

²⁵ >000252 FM40 5-JAN-2005, 000252 SIR 21-DEC-2005

²⁶ ➤000252 FM40 23-FEB-2005, Analyst Note: When first detained, detained he was born in Hadramout, YM. Al-Hadrami is an alias meaning "The one from Hadramout"

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- o (S//NF) Detainee admitted traveling to Afghanistan to participate in jihad against both the Northern Alliance and, later, against Coalition forces in the Tora Bora Mountains. ²⁸
- o (S//NF) A known al-Qaida operative facilitated detainee's travels. Detainee stated al-Yafi assisted detainee in obtaining a Pakistani visa and provided detainee with the Quetta address of the Taliban office visited by detainee. (Analyst Note: The Taliban office was most probably the Daftar Taliban Guesthouse, a way-point for transiting al-Qaida recruits.)
 - (S//NF) Al-Yafi is aka (Marwan Qasim Jawan), a known Yemen-based recruiter and financier for the Taliban and al-Qaida. Al-Yafi recruited mujahideen to travel to Afghanistan to train at the al-Qaida operated al-Faruq Training Camp and to participate in jihad. Al-Yafi also served as a bodyguard for UBL. 30
- o (S//NF) Detainee stated Abdul Majid Zindani advised detainee of a *fatwa* issued by Shaykh Hamud Bin Uqla al-Shuaibi calling for jihad against the infidels, Masoud and the Northern Alliance in Afghanistan. In Quetta, detainee informed the Taliban of his desire to participate in jihad in Afghanistan.³¹ (Analyst Note: Detainee adheres to an extremist Islamic belief. Fighting against other Muslims is strictly prohibited in Islam, yet detainee acknowledged seeking to engage in jihadist combat against the Muslim Northern Alliance Forces. Shaykh Abdul Majid Zindani is a Yemeni radical cleric and served in a leadership position within the al-Islah (reform) Party. Numerous detainees have reported associating with Zindani, who provided recruits with a letter of recommendation allowing them to gain entrance to training camps. The US Treasury Department designated Zindani as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist due to his support of al-Qaida.)³²
 - (S//NF) The al-Islah party is affiliated with UBL and promotes Islamic terrorism, to include organizing young mujahideen against the Yemen government, Coalition interests in Afghanistan, Palestinian terrorism against Israel, and more recently, Coalition forces in Iraq. 33
- (S//NF) Detainee participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces.
 (S//NF) Detainee admitted being on the front lines during Operation Enduring Freedom. Detainee stated he served as a guard at the Bagram Airport for three to five

²⁸ 000321 302 17-MAY-2002, 000321 KB 19-MAY-2002

²⁹ 000321 302 17-MAY-2002, TD-314/00952-02

³⁰ 000043 SIR 02-MAR-2004, IIR 6 034 0744 02, IIR 2 340 6120 02, TD-314/49402-01, TD-314/50575-01, TD-314/16244-04, and IIR 6 034 0211 06

³¹ TD-314/00952-02, 000321 302 17-MAY-2002

³² ➤IIR 6 034 1229 04, FBIS GMP20061220281001, IIR 6 034 1027 04, TD-314/34051-02

³³ TD-314/12546-01, YEMEN TRIBAL AFFILIATIONS 01-FEB-2001

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months.³⁴ Detainee stated a rocket fired from a US aircraft landed four feet from his position.³⁵ When the Coalition bombing campaign began, detainee traveled to Jalalabad.³⁶ (Analyst Note: The Bagram Airport was guarded by the Taliban and fighters in UBL's 55th Arab Brigade. Coalition bombing in Afghanistan began 7 October 2001.)

- (S//NF) Detainee identified two of his commanders as Mullah Abd al-Sater (a Taliban commander who fought against the Northern Alliance) and Mullah Hakiam ³⁷
- (S//NF) Senior al-Qaida facilitator Zayn al-Abidin Muhammad Husayn, aka (Abu Zubaydah), ISN US9GZ-010016DP (GZ-10016), believed detainee is a Saudi national whom he saw on the front lines in Kabul and in Kandahar.³⁸
- (S//NF) IZ-653 photo-identified noting detainee served with him on the front lines in Afghanistan in late 1999 or early 2000.³⁹ (Analyst Note: Detainee's arrival date in Afghanistan has not been verified and an extended period supporting IZ-653's statements is probable.)
- o (S//NF) Detainee participated in hostilities in Tora Bora in November and December 2001.
 - (S//NF) YM-252 reported detainee was a fighter assigned to the Talut Camp in Tora Bora in late 2001. Detainee was armed with an AK-47 rifle, PK machine gun, and a rocket propelled grenade (RPG) launcher. (Analyst Note: The Talut Camp was commanded by Humud Dakhil Humud Said al-Jadani, ISN US9SA-000230DP (transferred).)
 - (S//NF) Detainee's name was found on a computer hard drive which included a list of captured mujahideen associated with Khalid Shaykh Muhammad, aka (KSM), ISN US9KU-010024DP (KU-10024). The hard drive was seized during joint raids with the Pakistani Inter-Services Intelligence Directorate (ISID) on 1 March 2003. (Analyst Note: This list is assessed to contain information on those fighters captured with LY-212 following their retreat from Tora Bora.)
 - (S//NF) Detainee's name was included on a document posted on the al-Qaida affiliated al-Neda website. The document contained information on captured

 $^{^{34}}$ 000321 302 17-MAY-2002, 000321 SIR 18-DEC-2006, Analyst Note: In 2006, detainee stated he was on the front lines at Bagram for five months.

³⁵ > 000321 SIR 18-DEC-2006

³⁶ 000321 302 17-MAY-2002

³⁷ 000321 INITIAL SCREENING 06-JAN-2002, Analyst Note: A variant of Abd al-Sater is Abdel Satar.

³⁸ TD-314/24907-02, Analyst Note: Though detainee is legally a Yemeni, detainee lived in Saudi Arabia all of his life, hence his identification by another detainee as being from Saudi Arabia. It is possible for that reason as well as his place of birth (Saudi Arabia), some detainees recognized him as being a Saudi.

³⁹ IIR 6 034 1330 03, IIR 6 034 1331 03, 000653 FM40 06-AUG-2003

⁴⁰ IIR 6 034 0705 03

⁴¹ TD-314/13174-03

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> Taliban and al-Qaida fighters who had crossed the border from Nangahar province after the 11 September 2001 attacks. 42

- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to have received basic militant training at the al-Qaida al-Faruq Training Camp and advanced training in Kandahar.
 - o (S//NF) Detainee admitted training with the AK-47 and PK machine gun in a camp near Kandahar. 43
 - o (S//NF) YM-252 reported detained at al-Faruq Training Camp in April 2001, and participated in advanced commando training in Kandahar. Training consisted of rappelling, sniper training, kidnapping, assassinations, poisons, and explosives. Muhammad al-Masri conducted the training.⁴⁴ (Analyst Note: YM-252 reported detainee was armed with an RPG launcher in Tora Bora. 45 It is unlikely detainee would be given this weapon without adequate training. The RPG was taught at al-Faruq as part of al-Qaida basic training.)
 - (S//NF) When discussing the Kandahar Airport Advanced Training Camp, YM-252 stated the training included communications, explosives, kidnapping, and killing. YM-252 added JTF-GTMO detainee Ahmad Muhammad al-Yemeni, who had a very large mole on his face, knew this camp very well. YM-252 also stated al-Yemeni served as a driver taking fighters to and from the camp. (Analyst Note: Al-Yemeni is assessed to be detained. The commando training YM-252 reported for detainee is probably the advanced training offered at the Kandahar Airport Training Camp.)⁴⁶
 - o (S//NF) Detainee possibly received explosives training. Detainee was captured in possession of a Casio model F-91W digital wristwatch. 47
 - (U//FOUO) The possession of a Casio F-91W model watch (or the silvercolor version of this model, the A159W), is an indicator of al-Qaida training in the manufacture of improvised explosive devices (IEDs). A JTF-GTMO detainee identified the Casio watch as "the sign of al-Qaida, [which] uses the watch to make bombs." The Casio was known to be given to the students at al-Qaida bomb-making training courses in Afghanistan, at which the students received instruction in the preparation of timing devices using the watch. Approximately one-third of the JTF-GTMO detainees that were captured with these models of

⁴² IIR 7 739 3396 02 ⁴³ TD-414/29792-02

⁴⁴ IIR 6 034 1292 03, Analyst Note: Abu Muhammad al-Masri is listed in JDIMS as an associate who was the commander of the al-Faruq Training Camp. His name was discovered on a list of al-Qaida members in December 2001. IZ-10026 reported that as of mid-2006, he believed the Iranian government continues to hold a number of senior al-Qaida lieutenants including al-Masri. See TD 314/83649-06.

⁴⁵ IIR 6 034 0705 03

⁴⁶ ≻000252 SIR 12-JUN-2007

⁴⁷ 000002 MFR 24-APR-2002, Casio Watch Electronic Analysis Report 19-AUG-2004, Casio Watches and Relationship to Detainees 20-APR-2006.

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watches have known connections to explosives, either having attended explosives training, having association with a facility where IEDs were made or where explosives training was given, or having association with a person identified as an explosives expert. 48

- (S//NF) Detainee stayed at al-Qaida facilities in Afghanistan.
 - o (S//NF) Abdul Zahir, ISN US9AF-000753DP (AF-753), who worked as IZ-10026's translator, reported detainee was an al-Qaida soldier from Yemen who stayed at the Ashara Guesthouse. (Analyst Note: the Ashara Guesthouse (Guesthouse 10) was located in the Karte Parwan section of Kabul and used by Arabs moving to and from the front lines.)
 - o (S//NF) YM-1457 photo-identified detainee whom he saw at the Hajji Habash Guesthouse in Kandahar in March and again in August 2001. MM-252 reported detainee was at the Hajji Habash Guesthouse following his April 2001 training, where detainee served as the bus driver. (Analyst Note: As with IZ-653's identification, this indicates detainee was in Afghanistan earlier than claimed. Detainee's driving duties were possibly the transport of recruits to and from al-Faruq Training Camp.)
 - (S//NF) According to YM-252 and Ali Abdul Motalib Awayd Hassan al-Tayeea, ISN US9IZ-000111DP (IZ-111), detainee served at the Kandahar airport for four years. ⁵² (Analyst Note: Detainee's reported four years at the Kandahar Airport would have allowed him to come into close, routine proximity to UBL's son, allowing them to foster the reported relationship.)
 - o (S//NF) Sufian Ahmad Abu Zaydan, a Jordanian national associated with al-Qaida and the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG), stated he and al-Awam al-Hijazi (assessed to be detainee) moved to the Ghulam Bacha Guesthouse in Kabul together. Zaydan reported he traveled to Afghanistan in 1999.⁵³
 - (S//NF) IZ-653 photo-identified detainee as residing at the Ghulam Bacha Guesthouse in Kabul in late 1999 or early 2000.⁵⁴

⁵⁴ IIR 6 034 1328 03

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⁴⁸ For additional details see 000002 MFR 24-APR-2002, Casio Watch Electronic Analysis Report 19-Aug-2004, Casio Watches and Relationship to Detainees 20-Apr-2006

⁴⁹ IIR 6 034 0312 03, Analyst Note: IZ-10026 was the overall commander of the Kabul front lines. He was a long-time al-Qaida member and veteran Afghan fighter.

⁵⁰ IIR 6 034 0101 05, Analyst Note: The Hajji Habash Guesthouse was used primarily for Arabs awaiting training at the al-Qaida affiliated al-Faruq Training Camp. The Guesthouse also served as a way-station for recruits traveling north to Kabul.

⁵¹ IIR 6 034 0705 03, 000252 FM40 31-MAY-2005

⁵² IIR 6 034 1329 03, Analyst Note: Detainee is assessed to have lived at the Kandahar airport complex, and UBL's Kandahar Mall Six Compound, located near the Kandahar Airport. Also referred to the "gathering of the six", the complex was comprised of multiple houses that housed UBL, his wives, and approximately 10-15 security guards and their families. UBL and al-Masri (the commander of al-Faruq Training Camp) regularly used the compound for meetings with al-Qaida officials.

⁵³ TD-314/52511-04, Analyst Note: As of mid-2004, Sufyian Ahmad Abu Zaydan was detained in Jordan.

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c. (S//NF) Detainee's Conduct: Detainee is assessed to be a HIGH threat from a detention perspective. Detainee's overall behavior has been non-compliant and extremely hostile to the guard force and staff. Detainee currently has 156 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction listed in DIMS with the most recent occurring on 14 November 2007, when he did not let a guard put leg shackles on him. Detainee has 18 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction for assault with the most recent occurring on 27 June 2007, when he threw feces at a guard's face. Other incidents for which detainee has been disciplined include inciting and participating in mass disturbances, failure to follow guard instructions/camp rules, threatening guards, inappropriate use of bodily fluids, damage to government property, attempted assault, and non-weapon type contraband. In 2006, detainee had a total of 10 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction and 76 in 2007.

8. (U) Detainee Intelligence Value Assessment:

- **a. (S) Assessment:** Detainee is assessed to be of **MEDIUM** intelligence value. Detainee's most recent interrogation session occurred on 18 December 2006.
- **b.** (S//NF) Placement and Access: Detainee's presence on the front lines and membership in UBL's 55th Arab Brigade provided him information on battlefield tactics as well as mid-to senior level al-Qaida leadership. Detainee's training at al-Qaida associated facilities and tenure at al-Qaida affiliated guesthouses provided him access to security procedures, training curriculum, and members. Detainee's reported association with one of UBL's sons, and his possible service as a UBL bodyguard, provided detainee access to key leadership members.
- **c.** (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment: Detainee is an assessed member of al-Qaida who trained at al-Faruq and other al-Qaida facilities. Detainee interacted with key al-Qaida leadership. Detainee was a veteran fighter, who participated in hostilities against Coalition forces on the front lines in Bagram, Kabul, and Tora Bora. Detainee stayed at al-Qaida associated guesthouses.

d. (S//NF) Areas of Potential Exploitation:

- Al-Qaida recruitment in Yemen
- Terrorist travel facilitators in Yemen and Pakistan
- Al-Qaida training camps, locations, curriculum, and leadership
- Biographical data on UBL, the Attash brothers, and IZ-10026
- Information on Taliban and al-Qaida front line organization and leadership
- Terrorist operations in CENTCOM's AOR

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9. (S) EC Status: Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 23 October 2004, and he remains an enemy combatant.

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^{*} Definitions for intelligence terms used in the assessment can be found in the Joint Military Intelligence College October 2001 guide *Intelligence Warning Terminology*.