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JTF GTMO-CG

15 October 2004

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

SUBJECT: SUBJECT: Recommendation to Retain under DoD Control (DoD) for Guantanamo Detainee, ISN: US9SA-000682DP (S)

1. (FOUO) Personal Information:

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Abdullah al-Sharbi
- Aliases and Current/True Name: Ghassan Abdallah Ghazi al-Shirbi, Abu Abdullah, Hassan, Abdullah Al Muslim, and Abu Abdullah Al Otabi
- Place of Birth: Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 28 December 1974
- Citizenship: Saudi Arabia

2. (FOUO) Health:

3. (S) Detainee Summary

a. (S) Background and Capture Data. Unless otherwise noted, the following background notes are based solely on detainee's statements:

- Prior History: Detainee resided in Arizona (AZ) in the United States while studying for a degree in Electrical Engineering from 1998 to 2000 at Mesa Community College and then Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, AZ.

- Recruitment and Travel: In August 2001, detainee felt he needed to make up for the fact that he lost his parents money in the stock market, he wanted to earn more money, and he wanted to get his masters degree, so he decided to return to Pakistan (PK). Detainee traveled from Jeddah, SA by bus to Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE) in August 2001. Detainee was in Dubai, UAE for approximately ten to twelve hours. Detainee then flew to Karachi, PK, aboard an unidentified airline. Arriving in Karachi, PK, detainee went to the Motel Dubai.

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Detainee stayed at the motel for one day. Detainee then moved to another motel nearby for approximately ten days. Detainee met a man named Shameen at an unidentified internet café. Detainee stayed with Shameen in an unidentified location from September 2001 to February 2002. Shameen charged detainee approximately \$100 USD a month for food and rent. Detainee ran out of money, and as a result, Shameen became unpleasant and mean. Detainee believes Shameen stole his laptop and other miscellaneous items. Detainee met a man who went by the kunya Ahmed while visiting the internet café near Shameen's house. Detainee and Ahmed traveled to Faisalabad, PK, to the Aldafa guesthouse. *(Analyst note: The Aldafa guesthouse was one of two guesthouses that was ran by Abu Zubaydah in Faisalabad. Zubaydah is an electronics/demolitions expert and a known Al-Qaida top lieutenant.)* According to detainee, Ahmed was in charge of the day-to-day operations of the house, not Abu Zubaydah as is sometimes reported. Detainee arrived at the Aldafa guesthouse in mid-February 2002. Detainee taught classes in the subjects of computers and English. Unidentified Pakistanis controlled access to the front gate of the house as well as ran the logistical aspects of the house, to include getting food, driving, doing maintenance, and obtaining supplies. There were approximately five to six unidentified Pakistanis who operated the house.

- Capture Information: Pakistani forces captured detainee in a raid at the Aldafa guesthouse in Faisalabad, PK, on March 28, 2002. He was then detained in Lahore, PK, for two days and then in Islamabad, PK, for two months. From Islamabad, he was handed to US forces and taken to Bagram Airbase, AF, for eighteen days. Afterwards, he was taken to Kandahar, AF for ten days before being transferred to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. At the time of capture, detainee had the following in his possession: wallet, passport, credit cards, and approximately 1,000 to 2,000 Pakistani rupees.

b. (S) Transferred to JTF GTMO: 19 June 2002

c. (S) Reasons for Transfer to JTF GTMO: To provide information on:

- Individuals and a home located in Faisalabad, PK, where Abu Zubaydah stayed for ten days.
- Foreign individuals he associated with during his time in the Phoenix, AZ, area to include an individual named Zakaria Subra, who is possibly still residing in the US.

d. (S//NF) Reasons for Continued Detention:

- Detainee studied in the United States and has taught English and computers to Al-Qaida members.
- Detainee admits staying at an Al-Qaida guesthouse known as the Aldafa guesthouse located in Faisalabad, PK. *(Analyst note: This guesthouse was ran by Abu Zubaydah, a known senior Al-Qaida operative and electronics/demolitions expert now in custody.)*

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○ Detainee admits meeting Abu Zubaydah at that guesthouse, staying there until his subsequent capture.

▪ Abu Zubaydah claims detainee was one of two Saudi mujahideen engineers who requested to be sent from Afghanistan to Zubaydah's guesthouse in Faisalabad, PK.

▪ Benyam Muhammed claims he, detainee, and ISN SA-696 were all to receive specialized remote control training in Faisalabad, PK, and he had first been introduced to the two in Khowst, AF, by Abd Al Wakil Al Masri, aka Abdel Wakil. (*Analyst Note: Abd Al Wakil Al Masri, aka Abdel Wakil, is listed person as Number 22 on the FBI's Most Wanted List. Abd Hadi Al Iraqi is a known top operational coordinator for the Al-Qaida terrorism network.*)

○ Pakistani forces raided the safehouse searching for extremists, and subsequently apprehended detainee.

○ ISN US9UK-000817DP identified detainee and stated detainee trained with him at the Al Farouq terrorist training camp:

○ UK-817 stated detainee was assigned to be his interpreter while at Al-Farouq and during the time they attended the training camp together, detainee helped translate an English-language military manual into Arabic for the camp.

○ UK-817 stated detainee was very proficient with weapons and topography. UK-817 also states he saw detainee speak to Usama bin Laden. Detainee pressured UK-817 into swearing bayat (oath) to Usama bin Laden. UK-817 claims UBL visited Al-Farouq on at least ten different occasions during UK-817 and detainee's timeframe there.

○ UK-817 last saw detainee at the Bagram Air Base jail, where UK-817 claims detainee remarked, "You don't know me and I don't know you."

○ SU-707 identified UK-817 and detainee as good friends.

● ISN YM-441 identified detainee as attending Al-Farouq.

● Detainee has been assessed as being evasive concerning his activities in Pakistan.

Detainee claims he stayed at Shameen's house at an unknown location from September 2001 to February 2002, but does not provide any further details about his activities.

● Detainee is associated to Rayed Mohammed Abdullah. Detainee met Abdullah at the Islamic Cultural Center in Tempe, AZ. The same Abdullah is reported to have received flight training at an unknown location.

● Detainee's associations with Hamdan Al Shalawi and Muhammad Al Qudhaieen require further exploitation:

○ Shalawi and detainee had weekly visits with each other while in Arizona.

Detainee also used Shalawi's address to have his diploma and a laptop shipped to a stateside address, and Shalawi subsequently arranged for their delivery to Saudi Arabia.

○ Detainee states Shalawi did not visit detainee's father in the hospital in 1999, yet this information is contradicted in electronic communications dated 28 June 2002.

○ FBI in Cincinnati, Ohio, detained Shalawi and Al Qudhaieen in November 1999 because they were acting suspiciously on a flight from Phoenix, AZ, to Washington, D.C.

● Detainee and a former roommate from Arizona, Zakaria Soubra, were both

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questioned by the FBI on April 17, 2000, about membership with the Al-Muhajiroun. Soubra also states detainee discussed his intentions of attending a military training camp in Afghanistan in 2000. Detainee denies membership with Al-Muhajiroun and Soubra's claims.

- Detainee has refused to discuss any matter relating to his role in the production of circuit boards for use in remote control detonation of bombs.

e. (S) Intelligence Focus: JTF GTMO has determined that this detainee is of high intelligence value due to his knowledge of:

- Al-Qaida key facilitators involved with planning and executing attacks on US forces with the use of car bombs, IEDs, and remote control detonation devices:

- Abu Zubaydah
- Abd Al-Muhaymin
- Abd Al Wakil Al Masri, aka Abdel Wakil
- Abd Hadi Al Iraqi
- Benyam Muhammed
- ISN SA-696, Jabran Said Wazar Al Qahtani

- Operations within the Aldafa guesthouse ran by Abu Zubaydah in Faisalabad, PK:

- Specialized training for remote control detonation devices
- Future missions
- Involvement and associations of other guests

- Detainee's activities within the United States:

- Al-Qaida terrorist cells and associates operating in the US:
 - Educational directives involved with mission planning
 - Support structure existing in US for radical Islamists/extremists
- Travel within the United States

- Al-Qaida camp Al-Farouq:

- Training doctrines and war manuals written in English acquired by the camp
- Foreign trainers

- Recruitment of Al-Qaida personnel in Saudi Arabia

4. (S) Detainee's Conduct: Detainee's overall behavior has been generally non-compliant, often showing signs of aggression. On 29 April 2004 he assaulted a guard, and has incited disturbances on various occasions.

5. (S) EC Status: Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 24 February 2004, and he remains an enemy combatant.

6. (S) JTF GTMO Assessment:

a. (S) Summary: It is assessed that this detainee is a member of Al-Qaida and/or its global

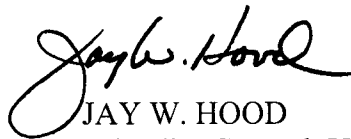
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terrorist network. Detainee has demonstrated a commitment to jihad, has links to key facilitators in the Al-Qaida international terrorist network, and has participated in terrorist training. Detainee has previously resided in the United States. Detainee will not provide details about his travel and activities in Pakistan. Detainee has been identified as attending the basic Al-Qaida training camp Al-Farouq. Detainee received a Western education in the US in electrical engineering, and was selected by top Al-Qaida mission planners to attend specialized remote control detonation training at the home of Abu Zubaydah in order to carry out attacks on US forces. Detainee poses a high risk to Western interests, as detainee is educated, speaks English well, and can blend in with the Western culture. Further exploitation is required to determine detainee's associations with terrorist affiliations in the US. Further exploitation is required to unveil detainee's true activities while in Pakistan. Due to detainee's deceptive, uncooperative position, it is recommended detainee remain in DoD control for further exploitation. It has been determined that the detainee poses a high risk, as he is likely to pose a threat to the US, its interests, and allies.

b. (S) Recommendation: JTF GTMO recommends this detainee be retained under DOD control for further exploitation.

7. (S) Coordination: JTF GTMO notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force (CITF) of this recommendation on 15 October 2004. CITF assessed this detainee as a high risk on 29 June 2004. JTF GTMO and CITF agree on the threat assessment of this detainee as a high risk.



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