



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

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

JTF GTMO-CG

11 June 2004

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

SUBJECT: Recommendation to Retain under DoD Control (DoD) for Guantanamo Detainee, ISN: US9AG-000694DP (S)

**1. (FOUO) Personal Information:**

- First, Middle, Last Names: Barghomi Sufyian
- Aliases: Sufyian Barhoumi, Abu Ubay, Abu Obaida, Shafiq Bin Ammour Bin Salim, Khalid Stouf, Al-Jaza'iri
- Place of Birth: Algiers, Algeria (AG)
- Date of Birth: 28 July 1973
- Citizenship: Algeria (AG)

**2. (FOUO) Health:** His medical history is significant for a left medicarpal amputation. Additionally, he is a known voluntary faster, which results in malnutrition and dehydration. These issues have been resolved with increased nutrition. He is currently stable.

**3. (S//NF) Detainee Summary:**

a. (S) Background and Capture Data:

- The detainee claimed he was born in Algiers, AG, finished primary education there, and then traveled to Barcelona, Spain (SP), as a migrant worker from 1995-1996.
- Detainee claimed he went to Paris, France (FR), in 1996 as a trader and remained there until 1997 when he returned to Spain and traveled to Madrid by stowing away on a small ship. The detainee did not travel with a passport at this time and remained in Spain for approximately 5 months.
- Detainee claimed he then went to France and obtained a false French passport. Searching for better employment opportunities, he departed France via bus to the United Kingdom (UK).

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- Detainee claimed that Abd Al-Rahman recruited him at the Cultural Islamic Center, in London, UK, in 1999 to receive military training in Afghanistan (AF) to participate in Jihad in Chechnya.
- Detainee claimed Rahman gave him a false French passport under the name of Khalid Stouf and a visa for travel to Pakistan (PK).
- Detainee claimed that upon arrival in Karachi, PK, he purchased a ticket to Peshawar, PK, and was met by three Palestinians including Abu Darda, and his phone contact.
- Detainee claimed that a short time later he and others traveled to Afghanistan. He attended Al-Qaida sponsored military training at a small camp (March – May 1999) southeast of Jalalabad, AF, the Khalden camp (July – December 1999) run by Ibn Sheikh Al Libi, and a small Turkish camp (January – February 2000) southeast of Jalalabad.
- Detainee stated that Abu Hammam, after the 11 September 2001 attacks, told him that he had to leave Afghanistan and to go through Jalalabad, AF, to Pakistan. He took a taxi to Jalalabad and stayed in a guesthouse for two weeks.
- Detainee claimed three Afghans led him and several other Arabs through the Spin Ghar Mountains by foot, traveling for two days to a village in Wazirstan, PK. They stayed in this village for two months until they could safely enter Peshawar, PK, in January 2002.
- Detainee claimed his group stayed in Peshawar for two weeks and then traveled to Lahore, PK, and stayed for two months.
- In early March 2002, he traveled to Faisalabad, PK, and was captured two weeks later by Pakistan security forces during a night raid on 28 March 2002. He was arrested with other Al-Qaida members and extremists including US9SA-000682DP and Usama Bin Laden (UBL) Lieutenant Abu Zubaidah.

b. (S) Transfer to JTF GTMO: Detainee was subsequently transported to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba, on 18 June 2002.

c. (S) Reasons for Transfer to JTF GTMO: Detainee was transferred to JTF GTMO due to his knowledge of:

- Recruitment and facilitation of Al-Qaida members in the United Kingdom.
- Senior Al-Qaida leadership.
- Al-Qaida training camps.
- Al-Qaida guesthouses in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

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

- (S) While detainee claims he traveled in 1999 to Afghanistan and was merely a trainee at three camps, other sources have detailed a more senior level of responsibility associating the detainee with Al-Qaida and either the Algerian Armed Islamic Group (GIA) or the Salafist Group for Preaching and Combat (GSPC):

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- (S) US9MR-000760DP and US9SA-000696DP positively identified detainee as an explosive's trainer.

- (S) US9SA-000768DP stated the detainee was a trainer at Khalden camp in 1996 and was at the camp the entire time SA-768 underwent training there. SA-768 said that the detainee claimed he was only at the camp to train before going back to Algeria to fight. *Analyst note: Intending to return to Algeria to conduct operations indicates an association with Algerian terrorist groups. The detainee is, therefore, assessed to be a member of the GIA or GSPC.*

- (S) ISN SA-768 also stated that he had seen the detainee in Kandahar at a guesthouse used exclusively by Al-Qaida personnel.

- (S//NF) According to sensitive reporting the detainee spoke with Al-Qaida's second most senior explosive's specialist, Abd Al-Rahman Al Muhajir, in 2001 in Kabul, AF. The detainee has reportedly claimed that Muhajir was seeking out his expertise in the development of remote control devices. *Analyst note: Al Muhajir has been identified as the bomb maker for the east Africa bombings of the US Embassies in Tanzania and Kenya, and was reported to have been involved in the assassination of Ahmed Shah Masoud.*

- (S//NF) Additional information on the detainee's timeline, associates, and activities:

- (S//NF) According to sensitive reporting, Abu Zubaidah met with the detainee between 1996-2002 at various locations in Pakistan and Afghanistan. During this time, the detainee reportedly disclosed to senior Al-Qaida members that he was a trained remote control device specialist who also had training in car bombs, explosives, and small arms. The detainee also was reported to have trained at the Khalden Camp and was associated with Farid Al Jazairi, Ibn Shaykh Al-Libi and Ashhur. *Analyst note: Remote control devices refer to those devices constructed for the purpose of detonating explosives. The detainee will have knowledge of prefabricated explosives, improvised explosive devices (IEDs), and likely bombs manufactured for use by martyrs.*

- (S//NF) According to sensitive reporting, the detainee went to Abu Zubaidah's residence in Faisalabad, PK, after fleeing Afghanistan where they organized a remote control training session. Abu Zubaidah provided funds to purchase remote control device parts and at least two Saudi operatives attended the training. The detainee reportedly claimed to have fought with other Mujahideen against coalition forces in the latter part of 2001 in Afghanistan including at Tora Bora, AF.

- (S//NF) Detainee claimed his first travels were in 1995 to Spain, while sensitive reporting indicates that the detainee traveled to the United Kingdom in 1994 where he was indoctrinated into Jihad through the preaching's of Umar 'Uthman Mahmud aka Abu Qatada.

- (S) *Analyst note: Abu Qatada was arrested in October 2002 by British authorities. He is a leading member in Al-Qaida, closely linked with other UK and European-based extremist leaders. He has been linked to support of terrorist and extremist activity including support to the Anti-US terrorist planning in Jordan during the millennium. He has been a focal point for extremist fundraising, recruiting, and propaganda.*

- (S) Detainee US9SA-000696DP identified the detainee as an explosive's expert and Al-Qaida terrorist network electronics' trainer who used e-mail to communicate with other Al-Qaida operatives.

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- (S) Detainee US9AG-010004DP stated the detainee admitted to having an association with Abu Zubaidah and Usama Bin Laden.

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

- Explosives and IED trained Al-Qaida operatives who may be currently active in Iraq or elsewhere.
- Al-Qaida operational methods and plans including those involving suicide bombings.
- Al-Qaida senior leadership including:
  - Usama Bin Laden
  - Abu Zubaidah
  - Ibn Sheikh Al Libi
  - Abu Qatada
- Al-Qaida training:
  - Facilities
  - Leadership
  - Programs and curriculum
  - Instructors and trained personnel
- Terrorist and extremist operatives and facilitators within Europe.
- Algerian terrorist organizations and personnel.

**4. (S) Detainee's Conduct:** Detainee's overall behavior has been non-compliant and aggressive with several failures to comply and harassments of the guard force noted. On 27 August 2002, when his time was up in the shower and the water was cut off, he grew angry and pointed to the sky saying, "You, me, everybody dead."

**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 an Algerian terrorist organization, either GIA or GSPC, and Al-Qaida's worldwide terrorism network. The detainee has refused to participate in any interrogations in over a year and is withholding intelligence information. The detainee has proved deceptive during numerous interrogations. Although gaps remain, his timeline has been disproved and he has failed to maintain a simple cover story, often changing aspects of the story to account for noted discrepancies. Several other detainees, including Abu Zubaidah, have provided enlightening details about the detainee clearly showing him to be a senior Al-Qaida explosive's expert and trainer with additional European travels and

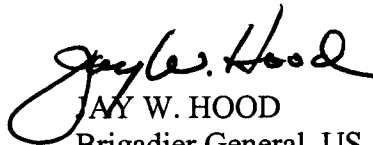
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associates. The detainee has demonstrated a commitment to jihad, has links to key Al-Qaida leadership, has participated in terrorist training and has trained others in the use of explosives for terror effect and destruction. The detainee has participated in hostilities against the US and coalition forces, and maintains the capability to continue to do so. It has been determined that the detainee poses a high risk, as he poses a continuing threat to the US, its interests and allies.

b. (S) Recommendation: JTF GTMO recommends this detainee be retained under DoD control.

7. (S) **Coordination:** JTF GTMO notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force (CITF) of this recommendation on 4 June 2004. CITF has not yet evaluated this detainee.

  
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