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

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) for
Guantanamo Detainee, ISN US9KU-000552DP (S)

JTF-GTMO Detainee Assessment

1. (S) Personal Information:

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Faez Mohammed Ahmed al-Kandari
- Current/True Name and Aliases: Fayiz Muhammad Ahmad Jamal Muhammad al-Kandari, Abu Khalid, Khalid al-Kuwaiti, Shaykh Fayiz al-Kuwaiti, Umar Muhammad Amin al-Kandari, Abu Hasan al-Arabi
- Place of Birth: Kuwait City, Kuwait (KU)
- Date of Birth: 3 June 1977
- Citizenship: Kuwait
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9KU-000552DP



2. (U//FOUO) Health: Detainee is in 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 recommended detainee for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) on 22 May 2007.

b. (S//NF) Executive Summary: Detainee is assessed to be a committed member of al-Qaida who served as advisor and confidant to Usama Bin Laden (UBL). Detainee has numerous connections to senior al-Qaida members and was an influential religious figure for al-Qaida fighters in Afghanistan. Detainee also provided ideological training to al-Qaida trainees at the al-Faruq Training Camp and the Islamic Institute in Kandahar. Detainee was

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an al-Qaida propagandist who produced and distributed multimedia recruitment material and wrote newspaper articles paying tribute to the 11 September 2001 hijackers. Detainee is assessed to have had advanced, though probably limited, knowledge of the 11 September 2001 attacks. Detainee has issued *fatwas* (religious edicts) at JTF-GTMO, promoting suicide and deadly attacks against JTF-GTMO personnel, and is assessed to have participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces in UBL's Tora Bora Mountain complex. Detainee is listed on an al-Qaida affiliated document, received basic and advanced training at al-Qaida associated training camps in Afghanistan, and has a history of participating in violent militant Islamic activities. 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 **MEDIUM** threat from a detention perspective
- Of **HIGH** 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 ➤ next to the footnote.)

- Added alias Abu Hasan al-Arabi¹

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: Detainee graduated from high school in 1995.² From 1996 to 1998, detainee was an *imam* (prayer leader) in the Sabah al-Salam Mosque in Kuwait City.³ He visited Pakistan (PK) and Afghanistan for the first time in 1997 and 1998 to distribute money for charities. Detainee has traveled to Bosnia, Croatia, Bahrain, and Saudi Arabia.⁴ Prior to his second trip to Afghanistan in 2001, detainee attended al-Imam Hared Bin Saud University in the United Arab Emirates (AE) where he studied *Sharia* (Islamic law) and the Koran.⁵

b. (S//NF) Recruitment and Travel: In June 2001, detainee left Kuwait with 6,000 to 7,000 Kuwaiti dinars (approximately \$19,800 to \$23,100 US), and traveled to Saudi Arabia

¹ ➤AFGP-2002- 800321, TD-314/06467-03

² 000552 KB 19-MAY-2002, 000552 302 06-MAY-2002

³ TD-314/06468-02

⁴ 000552 302 06-MAY-2002

⁵ 000552 302 06-MAY-2002

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where he purchased Islamic books. Detainee passed through Bahrain to see his parents, then continued to Karachi, PK. From Karachi, he took a taxi to Quetta, PK, and then continued to Kandahar, AF where he stayed for two days. After resting he continued to Kabul, AF.⁶

c. (S//NF) Training and Activities: In Kabul, detainee went to the office of the non-governmental organization (NGO) al-Wafa and asked where he could make a charitable donation of 6,000 to 7,000 Kuwaiti dinars from his family. At the al-Wafa office, he met Anas al-Kandari, a relative who had received training at the Libyan Camp in Afghanistan.⁷ The al-Wafa director, Abdallah Aydhah Abdallah al-Matrafi, ISN US9SA-000005DP (SA-005, transferred) assisted detainee with his search for a temporary residence, where detainee stayed for about one week before departing Kabul.⁸ Detainee went to a needy village located forty miles from Kabul around the beginning of September 2001. He stayed there for one to two months until the US bombing campaign had begun. Detainee returned to the al-Wafa office in Kabul but found it closed.⁹ He then departed Kabul and headed to Jalalabad, AF where he met Saudi national Abu Ali al-Qasim. Detainee stayed at al-Qasim's home for two days.¹⁰ He and al-Qasim then fled to a village in the Tora Bora Mountains of Afghanistan near Jalalabad.¹¹ Detainee was given an AK-47 assault rifle and instructions on how to use it.¹²

5. (U) Capture Information:

a. (S//NF) UBL appointed Ali Muhammad Abd al-Aziz al-Fakhri, ISN US9LY-000212DP (LY-212) as military commander in Tora Bora. In mid-December 2001, LY-212 arranged for Afghan guides to lead the fighters out of Tora Bora into Pakistan to escape.¹³ Unidentified Afghans captured detainee while he was heading down the Tora Bora Mountains into Pakistan. Detainee was taken to Jalalabad and imprisoned with other Arabs.

⁶ 000552 302 23-MAY-2002

⁷ 000552 302 06-MAY-2002, Analyst Note: Anas is discussed further in Reasons for Continued Detention. Al-Wafa is a National Intelligence Priorities Framework Counterterrorism (NIPF CT) Priority 3 Terrorist Support Entity (TSE). Priority 3 TSE have demonstrated intent and willingness to provide financial support to terrorist organizations willing to attack U.S. persons or interests, or provide witting operational support to Priority 1-2 terrorist groups.

⁸ IIR 6 034 0223 04, IIR 6 034 0224 04

⁹ 000552 302 06-MAY-2002, IIR 6 034 0223 04, Analyst Note: The Coalition bombing campaign began on 7 October 2001.

¹⁰ 000552 302 06-MAY-2002, IIR 6 034 0223 04

¹¹ IIR 6 034 0223 04, 000552 302 06-MAY-2002

¹² 000552 302 06-MAY-2002, TD-314/03374-02

¹³ TD-314/14605-04, Withdrawal from Tora Bora Analysis; Analyst Note: LY-212 is probably in Libyan External Security Organization control in Libya.

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Detainee was later transported to Kabul, Bagram, and then to Kandahar where he was transferred into US custody.¹⁴

b. (S) Property Held: None

c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO: 1 May 2002

d. (S//NF) Reasons for Transfer to JTF-GTMO: To provide information on the following:

- Religious indoctrination of Muslim extremists at the Imam Muhammad Bin Saud Institute in Dubai, AE
- Individuals and activities associated with the al-Wafa office in Kabul
- Safe house in Jalalabad
- Known and suspected terrorists in the Tora Bora region of Afghanistan
- Training camp in Afghanistan known as the Libyan Camp
- Groups of Arabs encamped in and around a small Afghan village on the south side of the Tora Bora Mountains

6. (S//NF) Evaluation of Detainee's Account: Detainee's account is only partially truthful. Detainee has denied or downplayed key associations to senior al-Qaida personnel including UBL, UBL's spokesman, facilitators, and operatives linked to attacks against US citizens. Detainee is reported to have traveled to Afghanistan on several occasions, but only acknowledges the most recent visit. Detainee provides vague and deceptive information on his contacts and activities while other JTF-GTMO detainees report he played a major role in the indoctrination of al-Qaida recruits and provided advisory services to commanders in the field.

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 committed member of al-Qaida who served as an advisor to UBL and will pose a significant threat if transferred. Detainee has numerous connections to senior al-Qaida members and is listed on an al-Qaida affiliated document. Detainee is also assessed to have participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces in UBL's Tora Bora Mountain complex. Detainee was an influential religious figure for al-Qaida fighters, and has issued *fatwas* at JTF-GTMO

¹⁴ 000552 302 06-MAY-2002

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promoting suicide and deadly attacks against JTF-GTMO personnel. Detainee was an al-Qaida propagandist who produced and distributed multimedia recruitment material and wrote newspaper articles paying tribute to the 11 September 2001 hijackers. Detainee is assessed to have had advance, though probably limited, knowledge of the 11 September 2001 attacks. Detainee received basic and advanced training at al-Qaida associated training camps in Afghanistan and stayed at al-Qaida associated guesthouses. Detainee has a history of participating in violent militant Islamic activities.

- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to be a committed member of al-Qaida who served as an advisor to UBL. Detainee has numerous connections to senior al-Qaida members and is listed on an al-Qaida affiliated document.
 - (S//NF) Analyst Note: It is assessed detainee will rejoin extremist elements if transferred. Detainee will continue to use his religious background to seek a leadership position in the Islamic extremist community. Detainee will continue to recruit and mislead youth to follow a path of militant jihad which will place them in environments opposing US and Coalition forces.
 - (S//NF) Detainee had direct access to UBL, for whom detainee served as an advisor. Detainee is loyal to UBL and continues to view the US as his enemy.
 - (S) Yasin Muhammad Salih Mazeab Basardah, ISN US9YM-000252DP (YM-252) reported detainee was one of UBL's closest confidants, as well as an advisor and assistant.¹⁵ YM-252 claimed he saw detainee conversing with UBL on at least three occasions, including one occasion at the al-Nibras Guesthouse when UBL arrived and detainee was the first person to meet with him.¹⁶ YM-252 also described detainee as a representative of UBL. YM-252 further described detainee as both a religious and military leader within al-Qaida and the Taliban.¹⁷
 - (S//NF) Abd al-Rahim Abd al-Razzaq Janko, ISN US9SY-000489DP (SY-489) reported detainee claimed to be in the same cave as UBL in Tora Bora when the US bombing campaign began.¹⁸
 - (S//NF) Wafa's Kabul office director, Adel Zamel Abd al-Mahsen al-Zamel, ISN US9KU-000568DP (KU-568, transferred), reported information obtained from detainee's cousin, Abdullah Kamel Abdullah Kamel, ISN US9KU-000228DP (KU-228, transferred), indicating detainee and al-Qaida member Fuad Mahmud Hasan al-Rabia, ISN US9KU-000551DP (KU-551) had met together with UBL.¹⁹ KU-568 stated detainee sometimes prayed at a mosque located

¹⁵ 000252 FM40 05-JAN-2005 (Part one of two), 000252 FM40 01-SEP-2004, IIR 6 034 1135 04

¹⁶ 000252 FM40 23-SEP-2004, Analyst Note: The al-Nibras, aka (al-Ansar), aka (Hajji Habash) Guesthouse was a waypoint and support center for Arabs transitioning to and from local training camps in the Kandahar area, particularly al-Faruq.

¹⁷ 000252 FM40 14-SEP-2004

¹⁸ IIR 6 034 1532 03

¹⁹ 000568 SIR 01-NOV-2004, IIR 6 034 0184 05, 000568 SIR 21-DEC-2004

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- inside one of UBL's houses in Kandahar, noting an individual would have to be an associate of UBL or know an associate of UBL in order to get past security to use the mosque.²⁰
- (C//REL TO USA, GCTF) According to KU-568, detainee met Abu Yusuf al-Qannas, aka (Adil Yusuf Ibrahim Bu Haymid), aka (the Sniper), in Tora Bora. Detainee informed KU-568 he asked al-Qannas to inform UBL that detainee and KU-228 were loyal to UBL and willing to travel with him.²¹ (Analyst Note: Abu Yusuf al-Qannas was an al-Qaida instructor who conducted sniper training in Bosnia and Afghanistan.²²)
 - (S//NF) Detainee told KU-568 to falsely claim harsh treatment at JTF-GTMO when the US Government transferred KU-568 to Kuwait. KU-568 reported detainee feels these lies are justified because he is at war.²³
 - (S//NF) Detainee has numerous associations with other senior al-Qaida members.
 - (S) Detainee had a close relationship with UBL spokesman Sulayman Abu Ghayth.²⁴ YM-252 confirmed detainee's association with Abu Ghayth in Tora Bora.²⁵ (Analyst Note: Ghayth is also from Kuwait. It was probably detainee's association with Ghayth, along with detainee's religious training, that allowed detainee to enter UBL's inner circle.)
 - (S) Detainee stayed at a guesthouse with al-Qaida operational planner and USS COLE bombing mastermind Abd al-Rahim Hussayn Muhammad al-Nashiri, aka (Mullah Bilal), ISN US9SA-010015DP (SA-10015) in 2000 and traveled with him from Pakistan to Afghanistan where they attended training together.²⁶ SA-10015 reported detainee looked like someone he saw in Kandahar at a guesthouse or with UBL.²⁷
 - (S//NF) Senior al-Qaida operative Walid Muhammad Salih Bin Attash, aka (Khallad), aka (Silver), ISN US9YM-010014DP (YM-10014) reported he met detainee at a guesthouse in Kabul. At the time, detainee accompanied KU-568 and another unnamed Kuwaiti.²⁸
 - (S//NF) Detainee reported he knew senior al-Qaida facilitator Zayn al-Abidin Muhammad Husayn, aka (Abu Zubaydah), ISN US9GZ-010016DP (GZ-10016).²⁹

²⁰ 000568 SIR 13-MAY-2005

²¹ IIR 6 034 0191 06, Analyst Note: See Abu Yusuf al-Qannas Letter and IIR 7 739 3065 02 for information on UBL's reply to detainee.

²² IIR 6 034 0292 06

²³ 000568 SIR 29-OCT-2005

²⁴ IIR 6 034 0018 06, IIR 6 034 0224 04, IIR 6 034 0191 06

²⁵ IIR 6 034 0532 03

²⁶ TD-314/06467-03

²⁷ TD-314/22893-05

²⁸ TD-314/22848-05

²⁹ IIR 6 034 0348 04

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GZ-10016 and SY-489 both corroborated detainee's statement.³⁰ GZ-10016 made housing and travel arrangements for detainee.³¹

- (S//NF) Detainee reported he knew Ali Muhammad Abdul Aziz al-Fakhri, aka (Ibn al-Shaykh al-Libi), ISN US9LY-000212DP (LY-212) from Tora Bora.³² LY-212 recognized detainee's photo and reported he saw detainee in Kandahar several times in 2000 and met him once at Sulayman Abu Ghayth's house.³³
- (S//NF) According to reporting by the Kuwaiti Security Service, Abu Yusuf al-Qannus was a close personal associate with detainee and Sulayman Bu Ghayth. Bu Haymid was known to travel to Afghanistan to provide sniper and marksmanship training to UBL's sons and their bodyguards.³⁴
- (S//NF) Detainee's cousin, Anas al-Kandari, was nicknamed the "*Emir* (leader) of the al-Qaida Organization" in Kuwait in 2002, and was considered among the best of the al-Qaida cadre. Anas al-Kandari was the leader of a six man al-Qaida cell that conducted an attack on US Marines on Faylaka Island, KU in October 2002.³⁵ Detainee is connected to additional perpetrators of the Faylaka Island attack including Jasim al-Hajiri, Sulayman Jamal Ahmad Muhammad Husayn al-Kandari, Adnan Asad Abdallah Mahmud Jamal al-Kandari, and Ahmad Muhammad Ahmad Jamal Muhammad Husayn al-Kandari.³⁶
 - ◆ (C//REL TO USA, AUS, CAN, GBR) KU-568 stated detainee and his relatives are all capable of carrying out operations against US, Western, or Kuwaiti interests.³⁷
- (S//NF) KU-568 reported detainee admitted to him that detainee lied to his interrogator about knowing Muhammad al-Jabarah, because if detainee admitted knowing al-Jabarah he would also have to admit knowing Khalid Shaykh Muhammad, aka (KSM), aka (Mukhtar), ISN US9KU-010024DP (KU-10024).³⁸ (Analyst Note: Muhammad al-Jabarah is reported as receiving training from KU-10024 and plotted with Riduan Bin Isomuddin, aka (Hambali), ISN US9ID-010019DP to attack western embassies. Al-Jabarah is in US custody in New York.³⁹

³⁰ TD-314/06467-03, TD-314/26732-05, TD-314/67410-04, IIR 6 034 1560 03

³¹ TD-314/06467-03

³² IIR 6 034 0348 04, Analyst Note: LY-212 was the commander of the Khaldan training, and was appointed by UBL as overall military commander for Tora Bora. LY-212 is probably in Libyan External Security Organization control in Libya.

³³ TD-314/26732-05

³⁴ TD-314-52300-02, Analyst Note: A variant of Abu Gaith is Bu Ghayth.

³⁵ GMP20021024000138, TD-314/40987-02, GMP20021024000138

³⁶ TD-314/40582-02

³⁷ IIR 6 034 0076 06

³⁸ 000568 SIR EXT 13-OCT-2005

³⁹ OSC EUP20070503371001

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The association of detainee to KU-10024 based on al-Jabarah's association to KU-10024 requires further research.)

- (S//NF) A variant of detainee's name and alias, Fayiz Muhammad al-Kandiri, aka (Khallad), was listed in a document found on a hard drive associated with KU-010024, seized during raids on 1 March 2003 in Pakistan.⁴⁰ The document was comprised of a list of captured mujahideen, referred to in the document as "the captured brothers."
- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to have participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces in UBL's Tora Bora Mountain complex.
 - (S//NF) In addition to the previously identified reporting, several JTF-GTMO detainees, including YM-10014 and MR-760, reported detainee was in Tora Bora.⁴¹
 - (S//NF) YM-252 reported detainee manned a fighting position in Tora Bora with "al-Qaida general" Yusuf al-Qannas. In Tora Bora, detainee also served as an advisor,⁴² and carried an AK-47.⁴³
- (S//NF) Detainee was an influential shaykh amongst al-Qaida fighters, and has issued *fatwas* at JTF-GTMO.
 - (S//NF) GZ-10016 referred to detainee as a scholar.⁴⁴ YM-252 stated detainee was known as a senior cleric who could interpret the meaning of dreams and served as a consultant for UBL.⁴⁵ YM-252 also reported detainee visited the al-Faruq camp two to three times a month and provided religious instruction, and provided instruction two or three nights a week at the Islamic Institute in Kandahar. Detainee frequently gave speeches to the recruits at the al-Qaida training camps in Afghanistan, and to the al-Qaida and Taliban fighters in Afghanistan designed to encourage their pursuit of jihad.⁴⁶
 - (S//NF) Analyst Note: Teaching at the Islamic Institute and al-Faruq indicates detainee was a trusted associate and knowledgeable in the al-Qaida ideology. As such, detainee was responsible for indoctrinating the recruits in the ideology. Abu Hafs al-Mauritani, aka (Mahfuz Ould Al-Walid Ababah), was in charge of the Islamic Institute. Abu Hafs was a UBL lieutenant, the legal affairs adviser of UBL's Shura Council, and his chief confidant on all religious matters.⁴⁷

⁴⁰ TD-314/13174-03

⁴¹ TD-314/13567-04, 000760 SIR 25-JUN-2004

⁴² 000252 SIR 31-DEC-2004

⁴³ 000252 FM40 14-SEP-2004

⁴⁴ TD-314/26732-05, TD-314/67410-04

⁴⁵ 000252 FM40 23-SEP-2004

⁴⁶ IIR 6 034 0532 03, 000252 SIR 22-JAN-2003, 000252 30-JUN-2003, 000252 FM40 14-SEP-2004

⁴⁷ D-4J2-2617-009-05, TD-314/48870-02, TD-314/06291-02, 000575 302 04-JUL-2002, 000575 SIR 07-JUN-2004, IIR 6 034 0173 02, SECSTATE 112561 16-Jun-2005

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- (S//NF) Tariq Mahmoud Ahmed al-Sawah, ISN US9EG-000535DP (EG-535) also reported detainee was a religious instructor at al-Faruq.⁴⁸
- (S) Mohamedou Ould Salahi, ISN US9MR-000760DP (MR-760) reported detainee is well known among other JTF-GTMO detainees as a religious advisor. Detainee held speeches in al-Qaida training camps and at the front lines.⁴⁹ (Analyst Note: MR-760 is the cousin of Abu Hafs al-Mauritani.)
- (S) Detainee attended a university in the United Arab Emirates to study *Sharia* and the Koran.⁵⁰ SY-489 reported that he, detainee, and Abd al-Aziz Sayer Uwain al-Shammeri, ISN US9KU-000217DP (KU-217, transferred) attended the Jamia al-Amam Muhammad Ibn Saud University in the United Arab Emirates together and their instructor, Sadiq al-Mana Mohammed, urged students to go to Chechnya for jihad.⁵¹
- (S) Several JTF-GTMO detainees reported detainee is a religious shaykh who issued *fatwas* at JTF-GTMO.
 - (S) MR-760 heard detainee issue an undefined *fatwa* at JTF-GTMO.⁵²
 - (S) Abd al-Malik Abd al-Wahab al-Rahbi, ISN US9YM-000037DP (YM-037), a former UBL bodyguard, reported he heard a *fatwa* was issued allowing JTF-GTMO detainees to kill themselves or to be killed.⁵³ Ali Abdul Motalib Awayd Hassan al-Tayeea, ISN US9IZ-000111DP (IZ-111) reported detainee may be one of two scholars at JTF-GTMO who issued the “kill or be killed” *fatwa*.⁵⁴ (Analyst Note: Detainee has denied he was the one who issued a *fatwa* because it requires him to have “shaykh” status which he claims he does not possess. However, other detainees have referred to him as “Shaykh,” and noted he provides religious lessons.)⁵⁵
 - (S//NF) YM-252 stated detainee is the leader in Camp 5 and issued a *fatwa* to the other detainees not to cooperate and to cause as many problems as possible. YM-252 also stated when detainee was in Camp 4, detainee issued a *fatwa* for detainees to sharpen the handles of their toothbrushes and turn them into weapons.⁵⁶

⁴⁸ 000535 MFR 08-JUL-2003

⁴⁹ IIR 6 034 1004 04, IIR 6 034 0893 04

⁵⁰ 000552 302 06-MAY-2002, TD-314/06468-02

⁵¹ 000489 SIR 20-DEC-2004, IIR 6 034 1310 03, IIR 6 034 1532 03

⁵² IIR 6 034 1004 04, IIR 6 034 0893 04

⁵³ 000037 MFR 07-APR-2003

⁵⁴ 000111 SIR 09-APR-2003

⁵⁵ 000242 FM40 11-JAN-2005, IIR 6 034 1004 04, Analyst Note: In IIR 6 034 0224 04, detainee acknowledged teaching Islam in Afghanistan.

⁵⁶ 000252 SIR 02-FEB-2005

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- (S//NF) Detainee was an al-Qaida propagandist who produced pamphlets, jihadist recruitment video and audio tapes, and wrote newspaper articles paying tribute to the 11 September 2001 hijackers.
 - (S) YM-252 reported detainee took the testimonies of the 11 September 2001 hijackers and wrote about them in the international daily newspaper “al-Sharq al-Awsat.”⁵⁷ (Analyst Note: This indicates detainee had advance knowledge of the attacks, although the details available to him may have been limited to simply awareness of a martyrdom mission.)
 - (S//NF) Abdelrahman Mobarak Meshakhas al-Bathali, ISN US9KU-157245DP, (KU-157245) reported detainee recorded a propaganda tape entitled, “Jihad, Your Way to Heaven.” Thousands of copies of the tape were distributed in Kuwait.⁵⁸ (Analyst note: KU-157245 was captured after entering Iraq with the intent of joining the Abu Musab al-Zarqawi Network.)
 - (U//FOUO) YM-252 reported detainee’s videos encouraged recruits to go fight in Bosnia and Chechnya. When those places were no longer accessible, the videos directed fighters to go to Afghanistan and Tunisia. Detainee distributed the videos through websites. KU-551, who studied in the US and is fluent in English, assisted with the videos.⁵⁹ YM-252 stated detainee always had a camera with him.⁶⁰ (Analyst Note: Detainee may have carried a camera to catch images of fighters he could use in his propaganda publications.)
 - (S//NF) KU-568 reported detainee produced a series of sixteen tapes and another series of six tapes to motivate people to go on jihad. According to KU-568, detainee claimed to have been arrested in the UAE for encouraging people to go to jihad.⁶¹
 - (S//NF) GZ-10016 stated he saw detainee at the Islamic Institute in Kandahar where detainee’s responsibilities included making audio tapes in 2001.⁶²
- (S//NF) Detainee received basic and advanced training at al-Qaida associated training camps in Afghanistan.
 - (S//NF) Detainee received training on automatic rifles and machine guns, rocket propelled grenades (RPG) and anti-aircraft guns at the Khaldan Training Camp.⁶³ GZ-10016 reported detainee went to the Khaldan Training Camp in 1997. Al-Qaida facilitator Hassan Ghul and GZ-10016 reported detainee was a scholar who brought many religious books with him to Khaldan.⁶⁴

⁵⁷ IIR 6 034 1135 04

⁵⁸ IIR 6 067 2207 04, AMEMBASSY KUWAIT 29-AUG-2006

⁵⁹ 000252 FM40 23-SEP-2004

⁶⁰ 000252 SIR 31-DEC-2004

⁶¹ 000568 SIR 29-OCT-2005

⁶² TD-314/26732-05

⁶³ TD-314/06467-03

⁶⁴ TD-314/26732-05

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- (S//NF) Detainee received weapons and explosives training at the al-Faruq Training Camp, to include instruction on manufacturing and setting explosives, electrically detonating synchronized-timed bombs, producing Molotov cocktails, and using grenades. Several individuals involved in the terrorist attacks also trained at the same time at al-Faruq, including SA-10015 and 11 September hijackers Abu al-Abbas al-Janubi; Ahmad Ibrahim al-Haznawi Azmi, aka (al-Jarrah); and Hamza al-Ghamidi, aka (Julaybib).⁶⁵
- (S//NF) Detainee received advanced sniper training, arranged by UBL's guards, at the airport training camp in Kandahar. Also taking part in this training were detainee's cousin Anas al-Kandari, Sulayman Abu Ghayth, and some of UBL's sons.⁶⁶
- (S//NF) Detainee stayed at various al-Qaida associated guesthouses.
 - (S//NF) In addition to the guesthouses already noted, detainee has the following guesthouse associations:
 - (S//NF) Detainee stayed in LY-212's guesthouse in Islamabad for one month in April 2000. GZ-10016 then took detainee, SA-10015, and Muhammad Abd al-Rahman Awn al-Shamrani, aka (al-Mughirah al-Ansari), ISN US9SA-000195DP to Peshawar.⁶⁷
 - (S) YM-252 reported he saw detainee at the al-Nibras Guesthouse in Kandahar in early 2001.⁶⁸
 - (S) Detainee stayed at an al-Qaida guesthouse in Kabul located in the former Saudi Ambassador's residence.⁶⁹ KU-568 reported detainee and KU-228 were at this guesthouse on 11 September 2001.⁷⁰
- (S//NF) Detainee has a history of participating in violent militant Islamic activities.
 - (S//NF) Islam Muhammad Bakr Saqir reported detainee participated in militant activities in Bosnia and was a fellow student of Islamic law.⁷¹ Detainee confirmed he was in Bosnia.⁷² (Analyst Note: Jordanian authorities arrested Saqir in January 2003 for his involvement in creating militant groups)
 - (S) KU-568 reported detainee was in Bosnia with Fouzi Khalid Abdullah al-Awda, ISN US9KU-000232DP (KU-232); Omar Rajab Amin, ISN US9KU-000065DP (KU-

⁶⁵ TD-314/06467-03

⁶⁶ TD-314/43855-02

⁶⁷ TD-314/06467-03

⁶⁸ 000252 FM40 23-SEP-2004

⁶⁹ 000568 SIR 05-AUG-2005, 000568 SIR 10-DEC-2004, Analyst Note: This guesthouse was managed by Hamza al-Ghamdi, an al-Qaida operative who decided what training a person received and where they went for training. See IIR 6 034 0297 05, IIR 6 034 0184 05. This was identified as the Guesthouse 10, aka (Ashara Guesthouse), in IIR 6 034 0394 02, and as the Azzam Guesthouse in 000252 FM40 21-Aug-2004.

⁷⁰ 000568 SIR 10-DEC-2004, IIR 6 034 0001 06

⁷¹ TD-314/06467-03

⁷² TD-314/13567-04

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065, transferred); and detainee's good friend Abu Jandale al-Libi, assessed to be Omar Amer Deghayes, aka (Abu Jandal), ISN US9LY-000727DP (LY-727, transferred).⁷³
○ (S//NF) YM-252 reported detainee and Shakir Abd al-Rahim Muhammad Aamer, ISN US9SA-000239DP (SA-239), were good friends due to their shared experience fighting in Bosnia.⁷⁴

c. (S//NF) Detainee's Conduct: Detainee is assessed as a **MEDIUM** threat from a detention perspective. His overall behavior has been mostly compliant and rarely hostile to the guard force and staff. He currently has 28 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction listed in DIMS with the most recent occurring on 23 March 2008, when he failed to follow guard instructions when told to stop banging on his cell door. He has one Report of Disciplinary Infraction for assault occurring on 11 May 2003, when he spat on the guard force. Other incidents for which he has been disciplined include inciting and participating in mass disturbances, failure to follow guard instructions/camp rules, inappropriate use of bodily fluids, unauthorized communications, damage to government property, assaults, and possession of food and non-weapon type contraband. On 7 January 2004 detainee was in possession of a pen wrapped in toilet paper that made it stiff enough to be used as a possible weapon. In 2007, he had a total of nine Reports of Disciplinary Infraction and four so far in 2008.

8. (U) Detainee Intelligence Value Assessment:

a. (S) Assessment: Detainee is assessed to be of **HIGH** intelligence value. Detainee's most recent interrogation session occurred on 10 March 2008.

b. (S//NF) Placement and Access: Detainee has associations with numerous members of al-Qaida's leadership, operational planners, and facilitators. He is an influential religious scholar and propagandist. He has been to Bosnia, the United Arab Emirates, Pakistan, and Afghanistan in support of al-Qaida and militant activities. Detainee trained in at least three training camps in Afghanistan.

c. (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment: Detainee is assessed to have information of significant intelligence value and to be only partially exploited. He can provide information on al-Qaida leadership, financing, NGOs, guesthouses, and logistical support. He can provide information about al-Qaida propaganda and recruiting efforts and production of recruiting and fundraising materials. Due to detainee's location in Kandahar and al-Faruq, he can probably provide information on numerous JTF-GTMO detainees and their al-Qaida affiliations.

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

⁷³ IIR 6 034 0699 03, 000568 SIR 13-OCT-2005, 000568 SIR 20-OCT-2005, 000568 SIR 17-DEC-2004

⁷⁴ 000252 FM40 23-SEP-2004

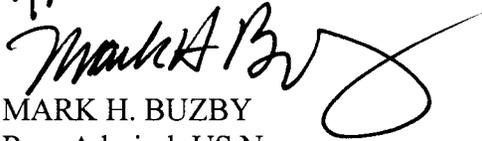
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 - Training
 - Financing
 - Logistics
 - Members
- JTF-GTMO detainees including HVDs and their activities
- 11 September 2001 hijackers
- Jihadist propaganda production
- Terrorist recruitment of juveniles
- Radicalization factors

9. (S) **EC Status:** Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 29 September 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*.