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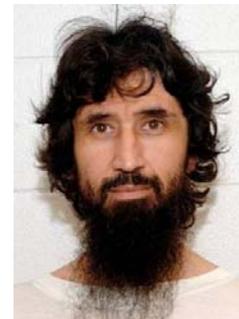
MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, United States Southern Command, 3511 NW 91st Avenue,
Miami, FL 33172

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) for
Guantanamo Detainee, ISN US9RS-000702DP (S)

JTF-GTMO Detainee Assessment

1. (S) Personal Information:

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Min Gazov Arivil
- Current/True Name and Aliases: Rawil Kamil Mengazov,
Ravil Mingazov, Said al-Rusi
- Place of Birth: Ust-Bolsheretskiy, Kamchatskaya Oblast,
Russia (RS)
- Date of Birth: 5 December 1967
- Citizenship: Russia
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9RS-000702DP



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 18 April 2007.

b. (S//NF) Executive Summary: Detainee is an Islamic extremist and an admitted member of the al-Qaida-associated Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan (IMU).¹ Detainee is

¹ Analyst Note: The IMU is a National Intelligence Priorities Framework (NIPF) Priority 2 counterterrorism target. Priority 2 targets are defined as issues, opportunities, or threats that rise to, or are expected to rise to, the level of interest of the Combatant Commanders or DNI EXCOM Principals, not already identified as Priority 1. This includes terrorist groups, especially those with state support, countries that sponsor terrorism, or countries that have

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assessed to be a member of a Faisalabad, Pakistan (PK) cell created by senior al-Qaida member Zayn al-Abidin Muhammad Husayn, aka (Abu Zubaydah), ISN US9GZ-010016DP (GZ-10016), after fleeing hostilities in Afghanistan (AF) with the purpose of returning to Afghanistan to conduct improvised explosive devices (IED) attacks against US and Coalition forces. Detainee has a Russian military background and has attended IMU and al-Qaida militant training camps in Tajikistan and Afghanistan. Detainee received basic training on small arms, tactics, and mines. Detainee acknowledged receiving initial explosives, chemical and assassination training at the al-Qaida al-Faruq Training Camp, and received advanced explosives and poisons training from senior al-Qaida explosive(s) expert Abu Khabab al-Masri, aka (Midhat Mursi al-Sayyid Umar). Detainee views US foreign policy as supporting the deaths of innocent people, and he may be subject to criminal prosecution if transferred to Russia. **[ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS DETAINEE IS AVAILABLE IN AN SCI ADDENDUM.]** 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 **LOW** 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 ➤ next to the footnote.)

- Added additional information on the Kara Karga Training Camp
- Updated analysis of detainee's associations and activities

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 completed middle school, attended a science institute, and then a technical school for ballet. From 1986 to 1995, detainee served in the Russian army as a private in a military band and as a warrant officer in a passport control office in Chita Oblast, RS, which is located at the junction of Russia, Mongolia, and China.² Detainee served as regimental supply officer for the 362nd Motorized Regiment for the Russian Ministry of Emergency Management from 1995 to about 2000, supervising a food storage

state organizations involved in terrorism that have demonstrated both intention and capability to attack U.S. persons or interests.

² 000702 KB 01-NOV-2002, IIR 6 901 0123 03(b)

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area in Naberezhnye Chelny, RS. In approximately 1999, detainee began to become deeply involved in the Islamic faith.³

b. (S//NF) Recruitment and Travel: Detainee moved from Russia to Tajikistan (TI) with his wife and family in February or March of 2000. However, fearing for the safety of his family, detainee immediately moved his family back to Russia and returned alone to Tajikistan.⁴ During the time detainee was in Tajikistan, he lived at an IMU camp for six months and later joined the IMU. However, he claims the IMU was highly suspicious of his possible connections to the KGB,⁵ given his Russian origins and previous service with the Russian military.⁶ After the Tajikistan government pressured the IMU to depart the country, detainee and approximately 80 IMU members flew to Kunduz, AF in late 2000 or early 2001 in a helicopter provided by the Tajik government.⁷ Detainee traveled to Afghanistan to ultimately live in an Islamic country. From Kunduz, detainee traveled to Kandahar, AF for a couple weeks, then to Mazar-e-Sharif, AF, where he stayed with an IMU unit. At Mazar-e-Sharif, detainee performed manual labor such as brick laying and wood chopping. In late summer 2001, detainee moved to Kabul, AF with the IMU unit, but left the organization shortly thereafter.⁸

c. (S//NF) Training and Activities: Detainee attended three Islamic militant training camps in Afghanistan, including one that specialized in the employment of poisons and assassination using a sniper rifle. Although detainee does not speak Arabic, he was forced to attend speeches spoken in Arabic given by Usama Bin Laden (UBL) during his time at al-Qaida al-Faruq Training Camp, and often fell asleep from boredom.⁹ Detainee proceeded to eastern Afghanistan, traveling between Khowst, AF, and the Bannu District of the Northwest Frontier Province (NWFP), PK for a month. Detainee continued to Lahore, PK, and stayed at what he termed the Jama'at Tablighi (JT) Islamic Center.¹⁰ Three months later, he moved to the Issa Safe House in Faisalabad, PK.¹¹

³ 000702 KB SUP 20-FEB-2006, 000702 302 10-JAN-03, 000702 302 19-DEC-2002

⁴ 000702 KB 01-NOV-2002

⁵ Analyst Note: Although the Soviet Committee for State Security (KGB) was dismantled in the early 1990s, the acronym continues to be used commonly to describe Russian intelligence organizations.

⁶ IIR 6 901 0123 03(b), 000702 SIR 06-AUG-2004

⁷ 000702 SIR 06-AUG-2004; Analyst Note: In January 2001, Tajik authorities, responding to pressure from Russia and neighboring Uzbekistan to clamp down on the IMU presence, provided airlift for IMU forces to depart Uzbekistan for Afghanistan, where they fought alongside Taliban forces against Northern Alliance troops.

⁸ 000702 KB SUP 20-FEB-2006, 000702 302 10-JAN-2003, IIR 6 034 1484 03, 000702 302 19-DEC-2002, IIR 6 901 0124 03

⁹ IIR 6 034 1483 03

¹⁰ Analyst Note: The Lahore JT Center is assessed to be the Raiwind Mosque, a key facility for the JT where the JT leadership met to discuss policies regarding the world's Muslims. Raiwind (variant: Raiwand) is a suburb located to the southwest of Lahore. See IIR 6 034 0488 04, and IIR 6 034 0292 04. JT is a Priority 2A Terrorist Support Entity (TSE). Priority 2A TSEs have demonstrated intent and willingness to provide financial support to terrorist

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5. (U) Capture Information:

a. (S//NF) Pakistani authorities conducted raids at two Faisalabad safe houses on 28 March 2002, arresting more than 30 suspected al-Qaida fighters under the command of GZ-10016 and killing one. At one location, referred to as the Issa Safe House, Pakistani police and intelligence officials arrested detainee and at least 15 other suspected al-Qaida members. At the other safe house, Pakistani officials arrested GZ-10016 and at least seven other suspected al-Qaida members, and seized manuals, tools, and components consistent with the assembly of explosive detonators. The safe houses were operated by the Lashkar-e-Tayyiba (LT)¹² and were part of a network of LT houses and operatives enlisted by Abu Zubayda after the fall of Kandahar to help al-Qaida's Arab fighters escape Afghanistan.¹³ Detainee and others were held by Pakistani authorities first in a prison in Lahore and then at a prison in Islamabad, PK. They were eventually transferred to US custody in May 2002, flown to Bagram, AF, and ultimately flown to Kandahar.¹⁴

b. (S) Property Held:

- Miscellaneous personal items including clothing, prayer beads, Russian/Arabic dictionary and loose hand-written pages with Russian, Arabic and English

c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO: 18 October 2002

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

- Al-Faruq Training Camp
- Akadem Gorodok, an IMU training camp in Kunduz
- Kara Karga Training Camp, a specialized explosives training camp near Kabul

organizations willing to attack US persons or interests, or provide witting operational support to Priority 2A terrorist groups.

¹¹ 000702 KB SUP 20-FEB-2006; Analyst Note: The Issa Safe House was named after its operator. Issa was not present during the raid, and may have tipped Pakistani authorities. The Issa Safe House has also been reported as the Yemeni house, the Arab house, and the Crescent Textile Mill.

¹² Analyst Note: The LT is an NIPF Priority 1 target. Priority 1 targets are defined as issues, opportunities, or threats that rise to, or are expected to rise to, the level of interest of the President, Vice President, DNI, and NSC/HSC Principals and Deputies. This includes terrorist groups that pose a clear and immediate danger to U.S. persons or interests. This includes those preparing to employ Weapons of Mass Destruction

¹³ TD-314/18169-02, IIR 6 034 0911 04, SAP20020408000048 08-APR-2002, SAP20020330000051 30-MAR-2002, 010016 FM40 01-SEP-2005, 010016 FM40 01-SEP-2005b; Analyst Note: Issa's safe house was also called the Yemeni house and the Crescent Textile Mill house.

¹⁴ 000687 KB 22-JUN-2002, 000684 KB 26-JUN-2002, IIR 4 201 4063 05

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6. (S//NF) Evaluation of Detainee's Account: Detainee has provided a relatively coherent, consistent, and probably generally accurate depiction and timeline of his history. Notable exceptions include an isolated denial that he attended the al-Faruq Training Camp,¹⁵ as well as conflicting information regarding his pocket litter. Al-Qaida members Firas al-Yemeni and Ahmed Bin Kaddour Labeled, ISN US9AG-000703DP (AG-703), corroborated detainee's exodus from Khowst and detainee's stay at the JT center.¹⁶ Fayad Yahya Ahmed, ISN US9YM-000683DP (YM-683), and Fahmi Abdallah Ahmed Ubadi al-Tulaqi, ISN US9YM-000688DP (YM-688), corroborated that detainee's arrival at the safe house was only a few days before it was raided by the Pakistani authorities.¹⁷ Emad Abdallah Hassan, ISN US9YM-000680DP (YM-680), also corroborated detainee's arrival date at the house, but claimed detainee was only in Pakistan doing "missionary work,"¹⁸ although detainee's Arabic was too poor at that time to be a missionary, and "missionary work" may have served as a cover for detainee's activities in Pakistan. Awad Khalifah Muhammad Abu al-Barasi ISN US9LY-000695DP (LY-695), corroborated detainee's affiliation with the JT, but claimed detainee was a student at a nearby madrassa and resident at the house for longer than two days.¹⁹

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 an Islamic extremist and an admitted member of the IMU. Detainee has a Russian military background and has attended IMU and al-Qaida militant training camps in Tajikistan and Afghanistan. Detainee received basic training on small arms, tactics, and mines. Detainee acknowledged receiving initial explosives, chemical and assassination training at the al-Qaida al-Faruq Training Camp, and received advanced explosives and poisons training from senior al-Qaida explosive(s) expert Abu Khabab al-Masri. Detainee is assessed to be a member of GZ-10016's Martyrs Brigade, a Faisalabad cell created with the intent of returning to Afghanistan to conduct IED attacks against US and Coalition forces. Detainee is an Islamic extremist who views US foreign policy as supporting the deaths of innocent people, and he may be subject to criminal prosecution if transferred to Russia.

- (S//NF) Detainee is an admitted member of the IMU.

¹⁵ 000702 SIR 14-NOV-2003

¹⁶ TD-314/36998-05, TD-314/37940-02, 000703 302 09-APR-2003

¹⁷ 000683 SIR 07-JUL-2002, 000688 SIR 14-MAY-2005, 000688 SIR 12-JAN-2006

¹⁸ 000680 MFR 23-AUG-2002

¹⁹ IIR 6 034 0911 04

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- (S//NF) Detainee admitted he joined the IMU in 2000 after moving to Tajikistan where he lived at an IMU camp for six months.²⁰
 - (S//NF) Detainee claimed his intent in joining the IMU was solely to obtain passage into Afghanistan. He claimed he left the IMU on his own accord due to poor living conditions and what he perceived as the IMU's anti-Islamic ideas and mistrust of him. Detainee stated if the IMU were to receive a mission to attack Americans, only about 40 percent of IMU members would carry out the mission.²¹
 - (S//NF) Analyst Note: Detainee stated he did not know why the IMU left Tajikistan, indicating there were no plans for the move when he returned to Tajikistan. While detainee's affiliation to the IMU did secure him passage to Afghanistan, he could not have known the Tajik government would provide mandatory transportation for the IMU to Afghanistan at the time he returned to Tajikistan to train with the IMU. Additionally, detainee claimed he was able to travel between Russia and Tajikistan twice during this period, and it is unlikely he would then require assistance to complete travels to Afghanistan had that been his goal. Detainee is attempting to minimize his affiliation with the IMU.²²
 - (S//NF) Detainee's membership allowed him access to information of IMU units throughout Afghanistan. Detainee stated IMU units were sent to Mazar-e-Sharif and Kabul. Detainee also stated the IMU had Stinger missiles in a warehouse in Mazar-e-Sharif, the existence of which he learned from Abd al-Rahman, a weapons supply officer.²³ (Analyst Note: The Stinger is an American made man portable air defense missile (surface to air, MANPAD). However, many other non-US made MADPADs and shoulder-fired missiles are commonly and mistakenly referred to as Stingers and the validity of his claim is therefore suspect.)
- (S//NF) Detainee received IMU-sponsored basic training in Tajikistan and advanced training at al-Qaida and extremist training camps in Afghanistan. Detainee's advanced training included the manufacture of explosives and poisons.
 - (S//NF) Detainee admitted attending IMU basic training in Tajikistan. The IMU training consisted of battle drills, tactics, infantry weapons, orienteering, survival training, mines and explosives familiarization, physical training and first aid. Small unit leaders received advanced survival training.²⁴

²⁰ IIR 6 901 0123 03(b), 000702 SIR 06-AUG-2004; Analyst Note: For additional information on the IMU, see PGT 2002 Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, and NGIC Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan 1-Aug-2001.

²¹ 000702 302 10-JAN-03, IIR 6 034 1484 03, 000702 SIR 03-AUG-2004

²² >Analyst Note: Although detainee is assessed to be a committed extremist, he is not assessed to have served in a leadership role in the IMU.

²³ IIR 6 034 1484 03

²⁴ IIR 6 034 1484 03

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- (S//NF) Detainee acknowledged he attended the al-Qaida al-Faruq Training Camp where he received explosives, chemical and assassination training for one month.²⁵
- (S//NF) Detainee received additional explosives and poisons training at the Kara Karga Camp outside of Kabul. He and about 10 other students were taught by Habab on the manufacture of IEDs from common items such as fertilizer and ammonia. Detainee admitted his course of instruction included lessons on how to make poisons that could be inhaled, ingested, or absorbed through the skin. Detainee specifically stated trainees manufactured poisons and tested them on live rabbits. This camp reportedly closed one week after his arrival due to the commencement of the US and Coalition bombing campaign in Afghanistan.²⁶
 - (S//NF) Analyst Note: The terms poison and chemical were used interchangeably by al-Qaida and extremist personnel. These refer to the various chemical and biological research, development, and training programs including persistent and non-persistent agents, gaseous vapors, liquids, and powders and were materials designed to induce incapacitation or create casualties through physical contact or inhalation.²⁷ Habab is assessed to be Abu Khabab al-Masri, an Egyptian national and known senior al-Qaida explosives and poisons expert.²⁸
 - (S//NF) According to Anwer Hassan, ISN US9CH-00250DP (CH-250), Karga Camp was a Taliban military base later controlled by al-Qaida and was located about 8 km northwest of Kabul. (Analyst Note: Karga Camp is assessed to be Camp Nine, which was reported to be about 8 km north of Kabul.²⁹ GZ-10016 stated he administered Camp Nine with courses specifically designed for the Tajiks, to prepare them to fight on the Tajik frontlines against the Soviets. GZ-10016 explained these courses were advanced militant courses and included topics such as assassinations and explosives.³⁰)
 - (S//NF) At the time of his capture, Omar Hamzayavich Abdulayev, ISN US9TI-000257DP (TI-257), possessed notebooks identifying training assessed to have occurred at al-Qaida's Camp Nine near Kabul. The training was provided to a group of IMU members.³¹ (Analyst Note: Like detainee, TI-257 is assessed to have received training at Camp Nine. While they have not provided information

²⁵ IIR 6 034 1483 03

²⁶ 000702 KB SUP 20-FEB-2006, IIR 6 034 1483 03; Analyst Note: The US air campaign began on 7 October 2001.

²⁷ Analyst Note: See TD-314/46791-05 for reporting of Camp Nine's association with explosives training.

²⁸ IIR 6 034 0055 02, IIR 6 034 0177 05, Analyst Note: Habab is a probable transliteration error for the name Khabab.

²⁹ TD-314/32410-01, IIR 6 034 0924 02, IIR 6 034 0296 02

³⁰ TD-314/46791-05

³¹ TD-314/15120-02, IIR 6 901 0660 02

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on each other, detainee and TI-257 have been characterized as close friends and are assessed to possess information on the advanced training each received.³²⁾

◆ (S//NF) Pakistani police captured TI-257 on 26 December 2001 while he was traveling near Bannu. AG-703, with whom detainee was captured, claimed he traveled with detainee from Afghanistan to the safe house.³³ AG-703 also stated there was another Russian man traveling with detainee whose name AG-703 could not recall. This other Russian spoke both Arabic and Russian and acted as detainee's interpreter.³⁴ (Analyst Note: Detainee traveled through Bannu and was captured in a safe house in Faisalabad with others who traveled through Bannu. As TI-257, who speaks both Arabic and Russian and whose nationality is in question, was captured in Bannu during the approximate time frame that detainee and others traveled through the city, it is probable TI-257 traveled with detainee's group and was en route to Faisalabad to work on GZ-10016's project. The work is assessed to include the training, production and employment of explosives and is discussed in more detail below in detainee's association with GZ-10016.³⁵)

◆ (U) Like TI-257, detainee's nationality may be questionable as well. In late November 2002, Russian press quoted Major General Aleksandr Gusev, the Chief of the Federal Security Service (FSB) Administration in Tatarstan, as doubting detainee's true identity. General Gusev noted detainee's first and last names were "too popular in Tartarstan."³⁶

◆ (S//NF) Adel Zamel Abd al-Mahsen al-Zamel, ISN US9KU-000568DP (KU-568, transferred), reported TI-257 informed him that he (TI-257) trained at a base in Kabul with other Tajiks and Russians. TI-257 received poisons training in a class taught by Abu Khabab al-Masri after the 11 September 2001 terrorist attacks and before the fall of Kabul during Operation Enduring Freedom. TI-257 stated during his training, he poisoned rabbits and also saw a video depicting a dog placed in a room with "smoke" that killed the dog. He also explained to KU-568 that he was trained in counter-surveillance techniques.³⁷ (Analyst Note: TI-257's training timeline coincides with detainee's reported training at the camp. TI-257's poison training is assessed to be the similar to the experimentation with cyanide described by GZ-10016,³⁸ and the poisoning of rabbits reported by detainee and KU-568.³⁹)

³² >000702 SIR 22-Jun-2006

³³ TD-314/37940-02

³⁴ TD-314/36998-05

³⁵ >001458 FM40 27-JUL-2004

³⁶ 000702 OPENSRC 04-NOV-2002

³⁷ IIR 6 034 0187 06, 000568 SIR 26-OCT-2005

³⁸ >TD-314/21111-02

³⁹ IIR 6 034 0693 02, TD-314/34836-02

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- (S//NF) AG-703 stated following the 11 September 2001 terrorist attacks, he and the other students at al-Faruq Training Camp were then transferred to the Camp Nine training facility outside of Kabul, AF, to complete their training.⁴⁰ (Analyst Note: This statement supports the al-Qaida affiliation with Camp Nine.)
- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to be a member of GZ-10016's Martyrs Brigade, a Faisalabad cell intended to conduct IED attacks against US and Coalition forces.
 - (S//NF) As previously noted, Pakistani authorities captured detainee and about 30 other suspected al-Qaida fighters under the command of GZ-10016 during raids on LT operated Faisalabad safe houses identified as the Issa Safe House and the Abu Zubaydah Safe House. Detainee was captured at the Issa Safe House. GZ-10016 stated he created the Martyrs Brigade, a unit conceived to conduct attacks against US-based targets employing remotely-detonated explosives activated by Pakistan-based triggermen using cell phones.⁴¹
 - (S//NF) GZ-10016's original plan was to flee Afghanistan and travel via Pakistan to Iran, where he would set up a base of operations for the Brigade. GZ-10016 claimed that Abu Musab al-Zarqawi had agreed to send 15 of his best men to join with members of GZ-10016's Khaldan group to form the Brigade. GZ-10016's long-term intent was to train and place suicide bombers or remote-controlled explosive devices in effort to attack US and Coalition targets there. (Analyst Note: Al-Qaida operative Jose Padilla, the American suspected in the "dirty bomb" plot to attack targets in Washington, DC with a radiological dispersion device, briefly stayed with GZ-10016 at the Faisalabad safe house where GZ-10016 was captured.)⁴²
 - (S//NF) GZ-10016 described his escape from Afghanistan with a group of other al-Qaida operatives under his command via Birmal and Zormat, AF and Bannu and Lahore, PK to Faisalabad with the assistance of the LT network of facilitators. According to GZ-10016, the safe houses, transportation and security for these moves was provided by LT operatives.⁴³ (Analyst Note: Detainee is assessed to be a member of the group of al-Qaida operatives who fled Afghanistan with GZ-10016.)

⁴⁰ IIR 6 034 0693 02, TD-314/34836-02

⁴¹ TD-314/33836-02, TD-314/17440-02, TD-314/17625-02

⁴² >TD-314/33836-02, TD-314/17440-02, TD-314/17625-02, TD-314/17060-02, TD-314/16969-02, TD-314/17373-02, TD-314/59808-05, For SU-707's reporting on Padilla, see 000707 MFR 17-JAN-2003, IIR 6 034 0657 02, IIR 6 034 0755 02, and IIR 6 034 0827 04

⁴³ >TD-314/16265-02, TD-314/18169-02, IIR 6 034 0911 04, SAP20020408000048, Multiple ISNs FBIS SAP20020330000051 30-MAR-2002, 010016 FM40 01-SEP-2005, 010016 FM40 01-SEP-2005b, 000114 Lashkar-e-Tayyiba 23-DEC-2004, LASHKAR E TAYYIBA, NGIC - Lashkar-e-Tayyiba 1-Jan-2001

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- (S//NF) Muhammad Noor Uthman, ISN US9SU-000700DP (SU-707), stated GZ-10016 was the director of the Issa Safe House in Faisalabad.⁴⁴ (Analyst Note: GZ-10016 has denied a direct association with the Issa Safe House.)
- (S//NF) AG-703 stated he traveled to GZ-10016's Faisalabad safe house with detainee and Abd al-Muhammad Ahmad Nassir al-Muhajari, ISN US9YM-000728DP (YM-728), in March 2002. The next morning, GZ-10016's assistant Abu Khalid (deceased), informed them that they (detainee, YM-728 and AG-703) would not be staying there and needed to relocate. Detainee and YM-728 proceeded to the Issa Safe House, where they were subsequently captured.⁴⁵
 - (S//NF) Analyst Note: Detainee and AG-703 probably traveled together beginning with their departure from Camp Nine as they were both present when it was abandoned. Their claim of a chance meeting en route to Faisalabad is assessed to be false, and is likely designed to protect their association and joint activities from further scrutiny. Detainee and AG-703 were probably chosen to participate in GZ-10016's cell and the IED operation based on their explosives training. GZ-10016 established a training program at his safe house for the manufacture of remote controlled detonators and probably established the Issa safe house for those with explosives experience, intending to send both groups back to Afghanistan for operations.
- (S//NF) Binyam Ahmad Muhammad, ISN US9ET-001458DP, (ET-1458), was also captured at a safe house in Faisalabad controlled by GZ-10016. GZ-10016 instructed ET-1458 and others to go to Pakistan for training in remote control detonators and subsequently to return to Afghanistan to train the Afghans. If they did not train the Afghans, then they were to build the devices and provide them for the Afghans to use.⁴⁶
 - (S//NF) GZ-10016 and ET-1458 used the same route as detainee when they escaped from Afghanistan to Pakistan.⁴⁷ (Analyst Note: It is probable that individuals from the Issa Safe House were intended to return to Afghanistan and work with the detonator trainees. Detainee had the requisite training to manufacture the explosives, which would be used with the detonators.)
 - (S//NF) When shown a picture of detainee, GZ-10016 claimed he could not provide a name, alias, or any other identifying information. In contrast, GZ-10016 was able to provide information on YM-688 and others captured at the Issa Safe House.⁴⁸ (Analyst Note: It is unclear from available reporting if detainee

⁴⁴ 000707 302 11-SEP-2002

⁴⁵ TD-314/37940-02, 000703 302 24-Oct-2002

⁴⁶ IIR 6 034 0282 05, 001458 FM40 27-JUL-04, 001458 FM40 28-JUL-04

⁴⁷ TD-314/20711-02, 001458 FM40 27-JUL-04

⁴⁸ TD-314/20711-02

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and GZ-10016 saw each other at the Faisalabad safe houses or during movement from Afghanistan.)

- (S//NF) Detainee is an Islamic extremist who views US foreign policy as supporting the deaths of innocent people.
 - (S//NF) Detainee has stated he is unhappy with the lack of US action in response to the “Russian genocide” of Muslims in Chechnya. He also stated the US government is supporting the Northern Alliance, which is “killing innocent people.”⁴⁹
- (S//NF) The Russian Government has expressed its desire that detainee be repatriated for possible criminal prosecution.
 - (S//NF) A mid-November 2002 Russian delegation assessed detainee’s pocket litter would potentially provide incriminating evidence on detainee’s willingness to work with US intelligence services in return for assurances he would not be repatriated. However, they unofficially commented that detainee would likely be dealt with on a criminal vice treasonous basis.⁵⁰ (Analyst Note: The evidence of working with US intelligence services is incriminating due to detainee’s service in the Russian military.)
 - (S//NF) Detainee originally denied ownership of the notebook pages confiscated during his capture. However, he later wrote a sworn redaction to the November 2002 Russian delegation. In the redaction, he claimed he composed the notebook pages in an effort to avoid deportation to Russia, but denied any intention to disclose government or military secrets.⁵¹ Several months after writing the redaction, detainee told a US interviewer that the pages were not his, and inferred that they were somehow connected to the KGB.⁵² When pressed, detainee refused to explain any possible linkage.⁵³ When an interrogator accused him of being a Russian agent sent to penetrate the IMU, he made no attempt to refute the charge, hinted he was familiar with the working conditions of the KGB, and offered to provide information on criminal activity in exchange for US or non-specified European citizenship.⁵⁴
 - (U) In April 2006, the Russian FSB disclosed to the Russian press that detainee has been held at JTF-GTMO for several years. A spokesperson for the agency stated “in the case of his extradition to Russia and the Russian prosecution authorities having charges to bring against him, he will be prosecuted. Otherwise,

⁴⁹ 000702 302 02-JAN-2003

⁵⁰ IIR 6 901 0124 03

⁵¹ IIR 6 901 0124 03

⁵² 000702 302 10-JAN-2003

⁵³ 000702 302 13-JAN-2003, 000702 302 17-JAN-2003, 000702 302 28-JAN-2003

⁵⁴ 000702 302 30-JAN-2003, 000702 302 31-JAN-2003; Analyst Note: The KGB splintered into several smaller organizations after the fall of the Soviet Union. As one of its main successor organizations, the FSB is Russia’s domestic intelligence service, with offices, or “administrations,” in each region of the country.

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he will be freed.”⁵⁵ (Analyst Note: There was no indication in this statement or during the November 2002 visit that Russian authorities questioned detainee’s identity.)

- (S//NF) Detainee has expressed his loathing for the Russian government, which he considers corrupt and enmeshed with the Russian mafia. In contrast, he praised the order imposed by the Taliban in Afghanistan.⁵⁶

c. (S//NF) Detainee’s Conduct: Detainee is assessed to be a **LOW** threat from a detention perspective. His overall behavior has been compliant and non-hostile to the guard force and staff. He currently has 59 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction listed in DIMS with the most recent occurring on 13 December 2007, when he damaged government property. He has 10 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction for assault with the most recent occurring on 13 July 2004, when he spat on an interpreter. 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, damage to government property, provoking words and gestures, and possession of food and non-weapon type contraband. In 2007, he had a total of eight Reports of Disciplinary Infraction and none so far in 2008.

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 9 February 2007.

b. (S//NF) Placement and Access: Detainee was directly associated with the IMU both in Tajikistan and for several months after his redeployment to Afghanistan. As such, he had direct and indirect access to IMU leadership and training facilities. After reportedly leaving the IMU, he trained at al-Qaida operated militant camps. If detainee’s claim of leaving the IMU is false, he may have served as a liaison between the two organizations. Although no reporting specifically implicates detainee, he followed the same route and was present at the Issa Safe House as members of an IED cell controlled by GZ-10016. Although he was a warrant officer in the Russian military, no reporting indicates detainee served in a leadership or operational planning capacity within the IMU or other jihadist organizations. He spent several months in the Raiwind JT Center before being moved to an al-Qaida safe house in Faisalabad. He was present at the Issa Safe House for only a few days and his poor Arabic skills possibly precluded him from conversing with the other occupants without an interpreter. His vague statements insinuating some connection to Russian intelligence services are probably false.

⁵⁵ CEP20060421027162

⁵⁶ 000702 SIR 18-NOV-2003

⁵⁷ 160935ZDEC05, AMEMBASSY MOSCOW, 2005 COUNTRY REPORTS ON TERRORISM (U)

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c. (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment: Detainee possibly has knowledge of al-Qaida IED and chemical weapons operations in Pakistan intended for use against US and Coalition forces in Afghanistan. He has knowledge of IMU personnel and operations in Tajikistan and Afghanistan and possible linkages between IMU training and operations with al-Qaida and Taliban efforts against the Northern Alliance, US, and Coalition forces. He has already provided a basic leadership hierarchy and historical background on the IMU organization to include place names, timelines, and political significance. However, he has denied cooperation between al-Qaida and the IMU. He may have additional information on IMU sympathizers in Russia and the Russian military. Detainee can provide first-hand information on several areas of interest that has yet to be exploited, such as his time spent at the JT Center in Raiwind.

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

- Al-Qaida and IMU in Pakistan
 - GZ-10016's detonator training – links between the two guesthouses, their personnel, and plans to return to Afghanistan, IMU connection due to detainee's presence
- Al-Qaida and IMU in Afghanistan
 - Training camps – personnel, curriculum including explosives and poisons
 - Guesthouses and facilitators to include the Issa Safe House
 - IMU cadre – transplanted members from Russia and Tajikistan, connections between them and those in Uzbekistan, links to al-Qaida training programs
- IMU – background on international ties, recruiting, facilitation, links to Chechnya jihad and personnel

9. (S) EC Status: Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 18 October 2002, 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*.