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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 US9SA-000195DP (S)

### **JTF-GTMO Detainee Assessment**

#### **1. (S//NF) Personal Information:**

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Muhammad Abd al-Rahman al-Shumrant
- Current/True Name and Aliases: Muhammad Abd al-Rahman Awn al-Rifai al-Shamrani, Abu Bashi, Abu Rashed, Abu al-Maghiza al-Ansari, al-Mughirah al-Ansari
- Place of Birth: Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 27 February 1975
- Citizenship: Saudi Arabia
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9SA-000195DP



**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 27 October 2007.

**b. (S//NF) Executive Summary:** *If released without rehabilitation, close supervision, and means to successfully reintegrate into his society as a law-abiding citizen, it is assessed detainee would immediately seek out prior associates and reengage in hostilities and extremist support activities at home and abroad. Since transfer to JTF-GTMO, detainee has threatened the guard staff, has preached extremist ideology to other detainees, and has indicated his intent to kill Americans in Iraq and Afghanistan if released. Additionally, detainee has been non-cooperative during custodial interviews since 10 May 2007, has*

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*provided conflicting information, and indicated he has been deceitful to debriefers.* Detainee is assessed to be a member of al-Qaida, an extremist recruiter, and possibly a Usama Bin Laden's (UBL) bodyguard. While in Afghanistan (AF), detainee participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces, was a sub-commander for al-Qaida forces in Tora Bora, and is assessed to have been a member of UBL's 55<sup>th</sup> Arab Brigade. Prior to fighting on the front lines, detainee received advanced training in various firearms, explosives, and anti-aircraft guns at al-Qaida militant training camps in Afghanistan. Detainee fled Afghanistan with a group of al-Qaida and Taliban fighters led by UBL-appointed military commander Ali Muhammad Abdul Aziz al-Fakhri, aka (Ibn al-Shaykh al-Libi), ISN US9LY-000212DP (LY-212), but was captured in Pakistan (PK). Detainee has indicated he holds information on high-level al-Qaida members and other extremists, some of whom are involved in current operations against US and Coalition forces. 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 **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.)

- Included additional reporting on detainee's activities in Afghanistan
- Included additional reporting on detainee's anti-US and extremist views
- Included additional reporting on detainee's leaders in Afghanistan
- Included additional reporting on training received by detainee

#### **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:** In approximately 1991, detainee received one month of military training at the College of al-Bareah in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (SA). Due to detainee's young age, he was not allowed to enlist as a member of the Saudi Arabian Army and was designated as a reservist. In 1998 or 1999, detainee graduated from the Imam Muhammad Bin Saud Islamic University in Riyadh with a degree in Islamic studies. He then taught high school-level Koran and Islam until April 2001. During this time, detainee made several trips to

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conduct business research and tour Muslim museums in Middle Eastern countries including the United Arab Emirates (AE), Jordan, Syria (SY) and Turkey (TU).<sup>1</sup>

**b. (S//NF) Recruitment and Travel:** While teaching at the Imam Muhammad Bin Saud University, students showed detainee videos portraying Muslims being killed and oppressed. The videos gave detainee a sense of duty to engage in jihad. A few months later, detainee met an individual named Andishah al-Ansarito (NFI).<sup>2</sup> Detainee and Andishah discussed their ideas about jihad. Detainee was motivated by Andishah's words and decided to go on jihad to Chechnya. In April 2000, detainee traveled to Afghanistan for training at the Khaldan Camp.<sup>3</sup> Detainee traveled by airplane to Qatar, and then to Dubai, AE where he flew to Lahore, PK. Once in Lahore, detainee took a bus to Islamabad, PK. Detainee stayed at Ibn Sheik's (assessed to be LY-212) guesthouse before finally making his way to Kabul, AF.<sup>4</sup>

**c. (S//NF) Training and Activities:** Detainee trained at Khaldan Camp on the AK-47 assault rifle, rocket-propelled grenades (RPG), and machine guns (PK and Dushka). Detainee then received training on mortars and artillery. After training for approximately one month, the Taliban ordered the Khaldan Camp closed. Detainee desired to learn more about explosives and spoke with LY-212 about this desire. LY-212 told detainee that there would be no more training due to the camp closing. In order to obtain further training, detainee traveled to Kabul, AF. Detainee began explosives training at the al-Faruq Camp. At al-Faruq, detainee trained for 12 days on the employment of mines, TNT and C-4. After detainee's training was complete, he went to the front lines in Afghanistan and spent approximately three months in Kandahar, AF. Detainee left Afghanistan on his jihad pursuit to Chechnya and traveled to Istanbul, TU, to obtain access to Chechnya. Detainee arrived ten days before his visa expired. Detainee had been given a phone number to call upon arrival, but was unable to contact anyone. Detainee stayed in Turkey for three days and then went to Damascus, SY for a couple of days, before heading back to Saudi Arabia. Detainee then contacted Andishah and stated he was unable to enter Chechnya.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 000195 302 11-APR-2002, 000195 SIR 28-FEB-2004, 000195 SIR 03-MAR-2004 Analyst Note: In 000195 SIR 28-FEB-2004 detainee states tha he attended Jamyeat Al Imam University for four years.)

<sup>2</sup> Analyst Note: Variants of Andishah include Andasha, Angesha and Anjasha. Anjasha is assessed to be (Ibrahim al-Madani), aka (Ibrahim al-Harithi), a known al-Qaida recruiter, who is also affiliated with former JTF-GTMO detainee Abd al-Hadi Abdallah Ibrahim al-Sharikh, ISN US9SA-000231DP.

<sup>3</sup> Analyst Note: The Khaldan Training Complex is widely recognized as a key training facility for extremists in Afghanistan. The *emir* (leader) of the camp from 1994 through 2000, LY-212, is suspected of being responsible for training some of the world's most notorious terrorists including Zaccarias Moussaoui and Richard Reid. At least nine terrorist attacks or attempted attacks have been linked to individuals who either trained at Khaldan Camp or were personally trained by LY-212. See Fusion Analysis Section Special Analysis Paper Khaldan Training Camp 20050816 for more information.

<sup>4</sup> 00195 SIR 12-MAY-2004, 000195 SIR 28-FEB-2004, 000195 SIR 14-DEC-2004, IIR 6 034 0299 07

<sup>5</sup> 000195 SIR 14-DEC-2004, IIR 6 034 0109 05, 000195 MFR 20-MAR-2002

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(S//NF) Andishah convinced detainee to return to Afghanistan to engage in hostilities. In May 2001, detainee decided to return to Afghanistan and support the Taliban fight. In August 2001, detainee traveled from Riyadh, SA to Karachi, PK, via Bahrain. Detainee spent one night at the Hotel Dubai before moving to another unidentified hotel where he remained for three days. Detainee then traveled to Quetta, PK, where he stayed in the Taliban Center for three days. From there, detainee crossed the border to Kandahar, AF. Detainee stayed at an Arab House (a guesthouse for Arabs) in Kandahar for approximately 10 days and then traveled to the front line at Bagram, AF.<sup>6</sup> During detainee's time at Bagram, he received two weeks of AK-47 training and utilization of hand grenades. Detainee spent five months at a fighting position southeast of the Bagram Airport during which he carried an AK-47. On or about 17 November 2001, when the fighting became intense, detainee withdrew from Bagram and fled to Tora Bora. Detainee remained in Tora Bora from approximately 27 November 2001 to 14 December 2001 and then retreated to Pakistan. Detainee had his Saudi passport but left it in a cave in Tora Bora.<sup>7</sup>

**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, LY-212. The group crossed the Afghanistan-Pakistan 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.<sup>8</sup> Detainee was transferred from Kohat, PK, to Kandahar, AF where he was placed in US custody on 31 December 2001.<sup>9</sup>

**b. (S) Property Held:** None

**c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO:** 16 January 2002

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

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<sup>6</sup> Analyst Note: The "Arab House" that detainee referred to is probably the al-Nebras Guesthouse (see IIR 6 034 1145 03).

<sup>7</sup> 000195 SIR 14-DEC-2004, IIR 6 034 0109 05, 000195 302 11-APR-2002, 000195 MFR 20-MAR-2002, 000195 302 21-MAY-2003, Analyst Note: Detainee has given varying accounts of his background information. Detainee has stated that he traveled to Afghanistan twice, that he has lied on issues concerning his history, and that Muslims have certain things they must keep secret.

<sup>8</sup> IIR 7 739 3396 02, Withdrawal from Tora Bora Analysis, Analyst Note: See FBIS GMP20020111000090 12-JAN-2002 for information on a "bus incident" that occurred while detainees were being transported to prison. In the incident, the detainees temporarily gained control of the bus and killed six Pakistani soldiers.

<sup>9</sup> TD-314/00845-02, paragraph D.3

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- Al-Qaida and Taliban infrastructure

**6. (S//NF) Evaluation of Detainee's Account:** Detainee's account is evasive and misleading. Detainee has given multiple timelines concerning his prior history making an accurate evaluation difficult. Detainee downplays his role and extremist activities while in Afghanistan. Detainee has stated that it is his duty as a Muslim to lie.

**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 its allies.

**b. (S//NF) Reasons for Continued Detention:** *If released without rehabilitation, close supervision, and means to successfully reintegrate into his society as a law-abiding citizen, it is assessed detainee would immediately seek out prior associates and reengage in hostilities and extremist support activities at home and abroad. Since transfer to JTF-GTMO, detainee has threatened the guard staff, has preached extremist ideology to other detainees, and has indicated his intent to kill Americans in Iraq and Afghanistan if released. Additionally, detainee has been non-cooperative during custodial interviews since 10 May 2007, has provided conflicting information, and indicated he has been deceitful to debriefers.* Detainee is assessed to be a member of al-Qaida, an extremist recruiter, and possibly a UBL bodyguard. During his time in Afghanistan, detainee participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces, was a sub-commander for al-Qaida forces in Tora Bora, and is assessed to be a member of UBL's 55th Arab Brigade. Prior to engaging in hostilities, detainee received advanced training at al-Qaida camps in Afghanistan. While in JTF-GTMO, detainee has indicated he holds information on high-level al-Qaida members and other extremists involved in current operations against US and Coalition forces.

- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to be a member of al-Qaida, an extremist recruiter, and possibly a UBL bodyguard.
  - (S//NF) Detainee admitted being acquainted with al-Qaida personnel, especially in Tora Bora. While in Tora Bora, detainee was part of a group of fighters commanded by al-Qaida leader, Abu Yahya al-Masri. Prior to arriving in Tora Bora, detainee was in the Bagram front lines, under the leadership of al-Qaida member, Abu Ubayda al-Masri.<sup>10</sup>
  - (S//NF) Computer media recovered during raids against al-Qaida associated safe houses in Rawalpindi and Karachi, PK contained detainee's name. The media listed

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<sup>10</sup> >TD/314-00296-02, IIR 6 034 0172 02, IIR 6 034 0328 05, IIR 6 034 0290 06, TD-314/57962-04

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al-Qaida fighters and their “trust” accounts and noted detainee surrendered his Saudi passport to the curator of the guesthouse.<sup>11</sup>

- (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 deposit boxes, were simply storage compartments such as envelopes or folders that guesthouse administrators used to secure the individual’s personal valuables such as passports and plane tickets. These items were entrusted to the guesthouse until completion of training or other activity.
- (C//REL USA AND GCTF) Detainee admitted staying at guesthouses in Kabul and Kandahar, AF. Detainee added that the guesthouses were transit points for fighters and those going through training.<sup>12</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee’s recruiter, Andishah al-Ansarito, is assessed to be Anjasha al-Ansari, aka (Ibrahim Husayn Ali al-Harithi), an extremist recruiter and financier from Medina, SA who participated in hostilities in both Bosnia and Afghanistan. Anjasha also traveled throughout Saudi Arabia to recruit fighters to travel to Bosnia and Chechnya.<sup>13</sup>
  - (S//NF) Detainee stated he was told to stay at the Hotel Dubai in Karachi, PK before traveling to the Taliban Center in Quetta, PK. Detainee then traveled to the Hajji Habash Guesthouse in Kandahar, AF.<sup>14</sup> (Analyst Note: The Taliban Center is assessed to be the Daftar Taliban Guesthouse. The Hotel Dubai, Daftar Taliban Guesthouse, and the Hajji Habash Guesthouse are known al-Qaida recruit support facilities. The Hajji Habash Guesthouse in particular, would in-process fighters en route to training camps in Kandahar and the front lines in Kabul. Upon arriving at the Hajji Habash Guesthouse, trainees surrendered their passports and valuables to the guesthouse administrator for safe keeping. The Hajji Habash Guesthouse also served as a waypoint for extremists traveling to and from Pakistan, or between east and west Afghanistan and was located across the street from the Islamic Institute operated by UBL’s religious advisor Mahfouz Ould al-Walid, aka (Abu Hafs al-Mauritani).)
- (S//NF) According to reporting from a Jordanian government service, detained al-Qaida facilitator Zayn al-Abidin Muhammad Husayn, aka (Abu Zubaydah), ISN US9GZ-010016DP (GZ-10016), facilitated detainee’s travel to Afghanistan from Pakistan.<sup>15</sup>

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<sup>11</sup> TD-314/40693-02, number 238

<sup>12</sup> IIR 6 034 1432 04

<sup>13</sup> IIR 6 034 0071 05, IIR 6 034 0171 02, TD-314/23397-01, TD-314/43756-02, TD-314/27852-02, TD-314/47512-02, Analyst Note: Variants of Andishah are Andasha, Angesha and Anjasha.

<sup>14</sup> 000195 SIR 12-May-2004

<sup>15</sup> TD-314/06467-03

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- (S//NF) Reporting indicates detainee was an extremist recruiter in Saudi Arabia. The Saudi Ministry of Interior, General Directorate of Investigations (Mabahith) stated detainee had been under surveillance for his activities in recruiting high school students for extremist causes.<sup>16</sup>
  - (S//NF) Multiple JTF-GTMO detainees have identified detainee as a recruiter in Saudi Arabia.<sup>17</sup>
- (S//NF) Abd al-Hakim Abd al-Karim Amin Bukhari, ISN US9SA-000493 (SA-493, transferred), reported detainee was a UBL bodyguard.<sup>18</sup> (Analyst Note: This is the only reporting which states detainee was a UBL bodyguard. As a bodyguard, detainee would have been required to swear *bayat* (oath of allegiance) to UBL.)
- (S//NF) Detainee attended advanced training at al-Qaida camps in Afghanistan.
  - (S//NF) Detainee admitted attending the al-Faruq and Khaldan training camps. At al-Faruq, detainee received instruction on the production of TNT bombs, setting of explosives, detonation of synchronized-timed bombs, production of Molotov cocktails, and the use of grenades and petrol bombs. At the Khaldan Camp, detainee trained on the AK-47, Dushka, Grinov, PKC automatic rifles, RPGs and anti-aircraft guns.<sup>19</sup>
  - (S//NF) Detainee stated “Chechens” joined their group. The Chechens had anti-aircraft experience obtained from fighting against Russian forces and trained the group to shoot down American planes with surface to air missiles (SAMs). Detainee noted a Chechen Army officer provided them with instructions in overriding the “code”, allowing them to operate the SAMs, and noted once they learned to use it against Russian planes, it was used against “other planes” as well.<sup>20</sup>
  - (S//NF) GZ-10016 photo-identified detainee and stated detainee received training at Khaldan Camp and possibly stayed at the Hamza Al-Ghamdi Guesthouse.<sup>21</sup>
  - (S//NF) Al-Qaida facilitator Hassan Ghul stated he met detainee at a guesthouse in Pakistan possibly in 1999 and thought detainee came to train at one of the camps in Afghanistan.<sup>22</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee participated in hostilities against US and Coalition forces, was a sub-commander for al-Qaida forces in Tora Bora, AF and is assessed to be a member of UBL’s 55th Arab Brigade.
  - (S//NF) While in Tora Bora, detainee was part of a group of fighters commanded by al-Qaida leader Abu Yahya al-Masri.<sup>23</sup> Detainee admitted to being a leader for

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<sup>16</sup> TD-314/27540-02

<sup>17</sup> IIR 6 034 0035 07, IIR 6 034 0213 06, 000230 SIR 20-FEB-2006

<sup>18</sup> 000493 SIR 05-APR-2007

<sup>19</sup> 000195 SIR 14-DEC-2004, TD-314/06467-03

<sup>20</sup> >000195 MFR 17-JAN-2008

<sup>21</sup> TD-314/53520-05, TD-314/24346-02

<sup>22</sup> TD-314/53522-05

<sup>23</sup> >TD/314-00296-02, IIR 6 034 0172, IIR 6 034 0328 05, IIR 6 034 0290 06, TD-314/57962-04

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two days after al-Masri was killed during a battle in Afghanistan.<sup>24</sup> (Analyst Note: Abu Yahya al-Masri was killed in hostilities against US and Coalition forces in Tora Bora in December 2001.)

- (S//NF) GZ-10016 stated Abu Yahya al-Masri was a Khaldan Training Camp instructor who specialized in the use of mortars and was a fighter for over fifteen years.<sup>25</sup>
- (S//NF) A variant of detainee's name was found on a chart listing the *emirs* (leaders) of Tora Bora. The chart was recovered from the JTF-GTMO cell of Yasin Muhammad Salih Mazeab Basardah, ISN US9YM-000252 (YM-252).<sup>26</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee fled the hostilities in Tora Bora with al-Qaida and Taliban fighters led by UBL appointed military commander LY-212. Detainee, LY-212, and other al-Qaida/Taliban fighters were subsequently captured together in Pakistan.<sup>27</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee is assessed to have served as a fighter in UBL's 55th Arab Brigade.
  - (S//NF) Detainee was assigned to an infantry unit near Bagram before retreating to Tora Bora.<sup>28</sup> One of the detainee's main leaders in Bagram was al-Qaida member, Abu Ubayda al-Masri.<sup>29</sup> Detainee also reported on plans by Nashwan Abd al-Razzaq Abd al-Baqi, aka (Abd al-Hadi al-Iraqi), ISN US9IZ-010026DP (IZ-10026), on the front lines.<sup>30</sup> (Analyst Note: The Taliban front lines broke in November 2001, indicating detainee also opposed US and Coalition forces on the front lines before moving to Tora Bora. Detainee's reporting on IZ-10026 and acknowledged support to the Taliban offensive, indicates detainee served in UBL's 55th Arab Brigade. The 55th Arab Brigade served as UBL's primary battle formation supporting Taliban objectives, with UBL participating closely in the command and control of the brigade. IZ-10026 had primary operational command of the 55th Arab Brigade, serving as UBL's military commander in the field.)
  - (S//NF) GZ-10016 photo identified detainee as a fighter supporting the Taliban on the front line against the Northern Alliance.<sup>31</sup>

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<sup>24</sup> 000195 SIR 05-MAR-2004

<sup>25</sup> TD-314/46587-02, Analyst Note: Abu Yahya al-Masri was also known as Abu Yahya al-Hawn. The name Hawn means mortars and is given to experts in the use of mortars. A variant of Yahya is Yahia.

<sup>26</sup> IIR 6 034 0281 07, 000252 PERSDOC GUAN-2005-E00407, Analyst Note: Detainee's name was transliterated as Abu Abdul Rahman al-Shaeerah on the chart.

<sup>27</sup> IIR 7 739 3396 02

<sup>28</sup> 000195 SIR 14-MAR-2007, TD-314/00296-02

<sup>29</sup> >TD/314-00296-02, IIR 6 034 0172, IIR 6 034 0328 05, IIR 6 034 0290 06, TD-314/57962-04

<sup>30</sup> IIR 6 034 0289 06

<sup>31</sup> TD-314/53520-05

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- (S//NF) Abd al-Rahman Maadha Dhafir al-Hilala al-Umari, ISN US9SA-000199DP (SA-199, deceased), photo identified detainee as Mughirah. SA-199 stated detainee was at the Abu Zaid fighting position in Bagram.<sup>32</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee has information on terrorists involved in current operations against US and Coalition forces.
  - (S//NF) Detainee stated he had the opportunity to visit with Abu Talha, the new al-Qaida leader in Iraq, while detainee was in Afghanistan in 2001. Detainee said that Abu Talha has a lot more training than Abu Musab al-Zarqawi. Detainee stated Abu Talha was a trainer in Khaldan and Derunta training camps in 1996.<sup>33</sup>
  - (S//NF) Detainee stated he has information concerning high-level al-Qaida members and other extremists. Detainee stated he can provide information on LY-212, Mullah Muhammad Omar, Hekmatyar in the Pakistani region, Abu Hafis al-Mauritania, Dr. Ayman al-Zawahiri, Taliban and al-Qaida member Dadullah, and extremist fighters in Syria. Detainee has already photo-identified several of these individuals.<sup>34</sup>
  - (S//NF) (S//NF) Detainee continues to support violent extremism and has made multiple threats against US citizens abroad and JTF-GTMO guard staff. Detainee stated the US is his enemy.
    - (S//NF) On 14 October 2007, detainee stated, “When I get out of here, I will go to Iraq and Afghanistan and kill as many Americans as I can. Then I will come here and kill more Americans.”<sup>35</sup>
    - (S//NF) Detainee stated, “I love Usama Bin Laden and Mullah Omar and if I ever get out of Guantanamo I will go back to fight the Americans and kill as many as I can.” Detainee stated he hated all Americans and will seek revenge if ever released from Guantanamo.<sup>36</sup>
    - (S//NF) Detainee said that if he is released, he would again participate in jihad against the enemies of Muslims, to include the United States. Detainee is proud of what he has done and what he is willing to do anything to fight against enemies of Muslims.<sup>37</sup>
    - (S//NF) Detainee stated he decided to become more religious because of his dislike of the US and its citizens.<sup>38</sup>

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<sup>32</sup> IIR 6 034 0293 06

<sup>33</sup> 000195 SIR 26-OCT-2006

<sup>34</sup> 000195 SIR 19-SEP-2006, 000195 SIR 12-SEP-2006; Analyst Note: Dr. Ayman Awahari is believed to be Dr. Aiman al-Zawahiri, a commander of the Syrians at the Kabul front lines in 2001 (see IIR 6 034 0284 05). Abu Hafis al-Mauritani aka (Mahfouz Ould al-Walid) was UBL’s religious advisor and head of the Institute for Islamic Studies, which was operated by the Taliban near Kandahar, AF.

<sup>35</sup> >INTREP 14-Oct-2007 21:00:00

<sup>36</sup> > 000195 SIR 21-MAR-2007, 000195 SIR 10-MAY-2007

<sup>37</sup> 000195 302 21-MAY-2003, 000195 SIR 10-JUL-2004

<sup>38</sup> >000195 SIR 25-APR-2007

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- (S//NF) Detainee informed a guard force staff that he was a friend of Abu Musab al-Zarqawi (deceased). Detainee stated he wanted the staff to meet Zarqawi so Zarqawi could cut his head off. Detainee also stated he (detainee) likes to kill Americans.<sup>39</sup> Detainee has also threatened to kill guard force staff on other occasions.<sup>40</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee has issued *fatwas* (religious decrees) during his detention at JTF-GTMO and given speeches to encourage other detainees to disobey guard force instructions. Detainee views himself as a religious leader. Detainee's *fatwas* are respected by fellow detainees and affect their actions at JTF-GTMO.<sup>41</sup>

**c. (S//NF) Detainee's Conduct:** Detainee is assessed as a **HIGH** threat from a detention perspective. His overall behavior has been non-compliant and hostile to the guard force and staff. Detainee currently has 80 reports of disciplinary infraction listed in DIMS with the most recent occurring on 26 May 2008, when he was reported assaulting the guard force. He has 25 reports of disciplinary infraction for assault with the most recent occurring on 26 May 2008, when he was reported throwing feces and urine at the guard force. Other incidents for which he has been disciplined include failure to follow guard instructions and camp rules, inappropriate use of bodily fluids, unauthorized communications, damage to government property, attempted assaults, provoking words and gestures, and possession of food and non-weapon type contraband. On 09 June 2006, he was reported to be in possession of paper wrapped around pita bread (billy club). In 2007, detainee had a total of 20 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction and has 10 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 12 December 2007.

**b. (S//NF) Placement and Access:** Detainee fought on the front lines in Afghanistan and later was a leader of al-Qaida forces at Tora Bora. Detainee had access to several high-level terrorists in different organizations. Detainee resided in multiple terrorist guesthouses and attended multiple training camps. Detainee has been referenced as a UBL bodyguard by another JTF-GTMO detainee. Detainee made extensive travels across the Middle East.

**c. (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment:** Detainee has information on al-Qaida training operations, facilities and personnel. Detainee can provide intelligence on Taliban and al-

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Qaida military personnel and operations in Afghanistan, especially those on the front lines and in Tora Bora. Detainee should have information on other recruiters as well as recruitment and facilitation methods, particularly in Saudi Arabia. Detainee claims to have further information on terrorists still involved in hostilities against US and Coalition forces.

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

- Syrian extremists
- Detainee's travel before his detention at JTF-GTMO
- Association with UBL
- Saudi Arabia stability
- Terrorists and foreign fighters recruitment, training, motivation, leadership, activities, facilities, and networks
- Al-Qaida facilitators
  - Abu Ubaydah al-Masri
  - Zabah al-Taifi
- Al-Qaida leaders
  - Abu Talha
  - Abu Ayyub al-Masri
  - LY-212
  - Mahfouz Ould al-Walid, aka (Abu Hafis "the Mauritanian")
  - Dr. Ayman al-Zawahiri
- Al-Qaida operatives
  - Abu al-Layth al-Libi
- Al-Qaida associates
  - GZ-10016
  - Mullah Muhammad Omar
  - Dadullah
- Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG) terrorist facilitator Abdallah Said al-Libi
- Terrorist operations in the CENTCOM AOR
- Radicalization factors of terrorism
- Mosque support for terrorist and extremist related activity in the EUCOM AOR
- Explosive training and techniques for employment

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