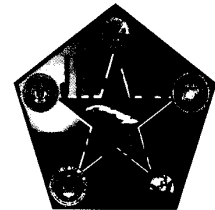




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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, United States Southern Command, 3511 NW 91st Avenue,  
Miami, FL 33172

SUBJECT: Combatant Status Review Tribunal Input and Recommendation for Continued  
Detention Under DoD Control (CD) for Guantanamo Detainee, ISN: US9SA-010011DP (S)

### JTF-GTMO Detainee Assessment

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

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Mustafa Ahmad al-Hawsawi
- Aliases and Current/True Name: Hashim 'Abd al-Rahman, Zahir, Ayyub, Muhammad Adnan, and Abu Ibrahim
- Place of Birth: Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 5 August 1968
- Citizenship: Saudi Arabia
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9SA-010011DP



2. (U//FOUO) Health: Detainee is in good health.

#### 3. (S//NF) JTF-GTMO Assessment:

a. (S) Recommendation: JTF-GTMO recommends this detainee for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD).

b. (S//NF) Executive Summary: Detainee is a senior al-Qaida member who supported al-Qaida's terrorist network as a facilitator, financial manager, and media committee member. This support included the movement and funding of 9/11 hijackers to the US to participate in a terrorist attack orchestrated by Khalid Shaykh Mohammed, US9KU-010024DP (KU-

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10024), aka (KSM) and Usama Bin Laden (UBL), as well as other terrorist activities.<sup>1</sup> Detainee received militant and remote-controlled firing device (RCFD) training. Detainee is affiliated with a number of high-level al-Qaida operatives and personalities, some of whom are still wanted. JTF-GTMO has 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.

**4. (S//NF) Detainee's Account of Events:**

**The following section is based on a consolidation of several accounts from various significant individuals in order to assemble a feasible timeline.**

**a. (S//NF) Prior History:** Detainee finished high school in Jeddah with a focus in natural sciences. Detainee spent the next three-to-four years selling cellular phones and similar items in a market. He also sporadically attended King Abd al-Aziz University where he majored in Islamic studies with plans to become a teacher in a madrassa upon graduation; however, he later lost interest.<sup>2</sup> Detainee attended a computer course for approximately three months where he learned Microsoft Office, Microsoft Excel, and Word.<sup>3</sup>

**b. (S//NF) Recruitment and Travel:** Detainee became attracted to the jihadist life because of his Muslim religion, media coverage of the war in Chechnya, and the Palestinian struggle. Detainee also became interested in the Afghan cause during the anti-Soviet jihad of the 1980s. While attending university, he attended many talks that covered the situations in Afghanistan (AF), Palestine, Chechnya, and elsewhere on the struggles of the Muslims. Because it was too hard to travel to Chechnya, detainee went to Kabul, AF, via Pakistan (PK) during the early part of 2000 to join the jihad. Ali Mahmud facilitated detainee's travel.<sup>4</sup>

**c. (S//NF) Training and Activities:** In early 2000, detainee received four or five weeks of basic military training at al-Faruq Training Camp while it was still located in Kabul.<sup>5</sup> Shortly

<sup>1</sup> Analyst Note: See September 11 Investigation and Prosecution of Moussaoui and others for the facts concerning the 9/11 attack.

<sup>2</sup> TD-314/55257-05

<sup>3</sup> TD-314/64942-04

<sup>4</sup> TD-314/54791-05, Headquarters comment: Ali Mahmud is possibly deceased Saudi national Muhammad Kluwa Muhammad Barnawi, who was killed in Tora Bora during Operation Enduring Freedom. TD-314/55257-05, Analyst Note: Detainee stated he traveled to Afghanistan to join the jihad. In IIR 2 340 6244 02, Ali Mahmud was reportedly the commander of all Al-Qaida fighters in Tora Bora until 19 November 2001.

<sup>5</sup> TD-314/43267-03, TD-314/54791-05, Analyst Note: Al-Faruq training camp was supported and ran by al-Qaida.

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after his training, detainee relocated to Kandahar, AF, in the spring of 2000 and eventually began working for al-Qaida's media committee.<sup>6</sup> In approximately April 2001, detainee departed Kandahar and traveled to Sharjah, United Arab Emirates (UAE), via Quetta and Karachi, PK. Shortly before his departure, Abu Hamza al-Qatari gave him \$30,000 USD.<sup>7</sup> Once detainee arrived in the UAE he rented an apartment.<sup>8</sup> In July or August 2001, detainee supported the movement of four of the 9/11 hijackers to the US at the direction of KSM.<sup>9</sup> Five months later, in September 2001, detainee traveled to Quetta, via Karachi, and met up with Ramzi Bin al-Shibh, ISN US9YM-010013DP (YM-10013).<sup>10</sup> Ramzi Bin al-Shibh and detainee traveled together to a guesthouse in Kandahar, where they separated and detainee traveled on to the Media Committee.<sup>11</sup> While staying at an Arab guesthouse in Kabul during the first week of October 2001,<sup>12</sup> the detainee helped deliver supplies to Dr. Ayman al-Zawahiri,<sup>13</sup> who was in the mountains.<sup>14</sup> In October 2001, detainee was assigned as a guard at compound in Kandahar airport and then moved to the guards' houses used by Arab families outside the city.<sup>15</sup> Detainee then traveled to Karachi during the first part of 2002.<sup>16</sup> In March or April 2002, detainee began working for al-Qaida financial director, Shaykh Said,<sup>17</sup> helping to keep track of al-Qaida's Karachi accounts. Detainee acquired this position through senior al-Qaida member KSM.<sup>18</sup> While living in Karachi, detainee lived at five

<sup>6</sup> TD-314/54791-05, Analyst Note: In TD-314/28084-02, Abu Zubaydah described the Media Committee for which detainee worked as primarily responsible for filming videos of UBL, AQ training, special events, manufacturing propaganda, creating an internet web page, helping with recruitment of fighters, and publishing a monthly news magazine distributed inside Afghanistan. The AQ propaganda includes movies on jihad, such as the USS COLE and 9/11 attacks, as well as the posting of messages on the internet. In TD-314/22291-02, Abu Zubaydah further remarked that the detainee worked on KSM; while Dr. Ayman al-Zawahiri headed the media committee.

<sup>7</sup> TD-314/02138-04, Analyst Note: In TD-314/07282-04, Ammar al-Baluchi, ISN US9PK-010018 (PK-10018), corroborated that detainee arrived in the UAE in April 2001 to help facilitate the movement of 9/11 hijackers. However, Ammar remarked it was Dubai and not Sharjah. In TD-314/40003-04, Abu Hamza al-Qatari was killed during the US bombings of Afghanistan in late 2001.

<sup>8</sup> TD-314/17916-04

<sup>9</sup> TD-314/30250-03

<sup>10</sup> TD-314/17916-04, Analyst Note: Ramzi Bin al-Shibh was a key Al-Qaida member who helped in planning the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack.

<sup>11</sup> TD-314/17916-04

<sup>12</sup> TD-314/11739-04, Analyst Note: Detainee commented that he met Dr. Ayman al-Zawahiri in early October 2001 before US Military Operations began. Operations started on 7 October 2001. This would make the activity occur sometime during the first week of October 2001.

<sup>13</sup> TD-314/11739-04, Analyst Note: Dr. Ayman al-Zawahiri is UBL's deputy.

<sup>14</sup> TD-314/11739-04

<sup>15</sup> TD-314/08132-04

<sup>16</sup> TD-314/30044-03

<sup>17</sup> TD-314/62319-04, Analyst Note: Shaykh Said is Mustafa Ahmad Muhammad Uthman Abu al-Yazid aka (Shaykh Said al-Masri).

<sup>18</sup> TD-314/30044-03, TD-314/55257-05, TD-314/55274-05, Analyst Note: Detainee identified KSM as a senior al-Qaida member.

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separate safe houses. Seven months later, in approximately mid-January 2003, detainee traveled to Rawalpindi, PK, where he again handled al-Qaida accounting books.<sup>19</sup>

**5. (S//NF) Capture Information:**

a. (S//NF) Pakistani forces captured detainee, along with KSM, on 1 March 2003. Upon their capture, detainee and KSM were turned over to the custody of the US Government and transported to a secure site outside Pakistan.<sup>20</sup>

**b. (S) Property Held:<sup>21</sup>**

- Detainee was in possession of the following items when captured. (Not held by JTF-GTMO)
  - Laptop<sup>22</sup>
  - ID Cards<sup>23</sup>
  - 19-page Telephone and address book<sup>24</sup>

c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO: 4 September 2006

d. (S//NF) Reasons for Transfer to JTF-GTMO: Detainee was transferred to JTF-GTMO to face prosecution for terrorist activities against the United States.

**6. (S//NF) 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 a senior al-Qaida member who supported the movement and funding of al-Qaida terrorists to the US to participate in the 11 September 2001 attacks orchestrated by KSM and UBL. Detainee received remote-

<sup>19</sup> TD-314/30044-03

<sup>20</sup> FBI Intelligence Bulletin No 54 05-Mar-2003, TD-314/55257-05, Analyst Note: Detainee commented that he was captured with KSM in March 2003.

<sup>21</sup> TD-314/22523-03, Analyst Note: Multiple documents and items were recovered during the raid on the safe house where detainee was captured. Images of these items can be found in harmony series "PAK7-2003-900XXX."

<sup>22</sup> Analyst Note: There are multiple reports that discuss what was recovered from detainee's hard drive (e.g., TD-314/08223-04 – annual mujahideen family assistance and stipends; TD-314/17125-03 – list of killed and wounded al-Qaida martyrs; etc)

<sup>23</sup> TD-314/12206-03

<sup>24</sup> TD-314/14949-03

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controlled firing device (RCFD) training. Detainee is affiliated with a number of high-level al-Qaida operatives and personalities, some of whom are still wanted.

- (S//NF) Detainee is an al-Qaida member who supported al-Qaida's terrorist network as a facilitator, financial manager and media committee member.
  - (S//NF) Detainee admittedly facilitated the movement of four of the al-Qaida 9/11 hijackers, and possibly more.<sup>25</sup>
    - (S//NF) A senior al-Qaida operative remarked that detainee belonged to one of 34 individuals within five groups of operatives that were willing participants in the 9/11 hijackings. The al-Qaida operative went on to say that detainee was in group four, which had four members responsible for the logistical, financial, and training aspects of the operation. Detainee knew that he was involved in an al-Qaida operation against the US, but knew nothing further.<sup>26</sup>
    - (S//NF) A senior al-Qaida operative remarked that detainee took his instructions directly from KSM. The senior al-Qaida operative claimed that Ramzi Bin al-Shibh informed him that detainee facilitated air, hotel, and rental car reservations for fifteen of the nineteen 9/11 operatives.<sup>27</sup> However, the detainee claimed he supported only the movement of four of the 9/11 hijackers in the US at the direction of KSM.<sup>28</sup>
      - ◆ (S//NF) An investigation determined that detainee provided financial support to the individuals involved in the terrorist acts committed on 9/11.<sup>29</sup>
      - ◆ (S//NF) Abu Rahmah, ISN US9PK-001461DP (PK-1461), reported that he saw the detainee in the company of several "9/11 hijackers" aka (the youth)<sup>30</sup> at the Eid Gah compound in Kandahar.<sup>31</sup>
    - (S//NF) Ammar al-Baluchi, ISN US9PK-010018DP (PK-10018), reported that detainee arrived in Dubai, UAE, in April 2001, to help Ammar with the facilitation of the transiting hijackers.<sup>32</sup> Detainee corroborated this statement when he remarked that Ammar was already there when he arrived in 2001.<sup>33</sup>

<sup>25</sup> TD-314/09166-04, TD-314/32928-01

<sup>26</sup> TD-314/09166-04

<sup>27</sup> TD-314/10359-03

<sup>28</sup> TD-314/30250-03

<sup>29</sup> 000722 Financial Support 23-DEC-2001, See TD-314/70395-04 for information on four of the hijackers that detainee dealt with.

<sup>30</sup> TD-314/02138-04

<sup>31</sup> 001461 AFD-017 27-MAR-2003

<sup>32</sup> TD-314/07282-04

<sup>33</sup> TD-314/16462-03

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- (S//NF) KSM remarked that detainee was largely responsible for facilitating communication and financing operatives selected for planned attacks.<sup>34</sup> A senior al-Qaida operative further remarked that Ramzi Bin al-Shibh informed detainee in early September 2001 about the date of the 9/11 hijacking operation.<sup>35</sup>
- (S//NF) KSM, Ramzi Bin al-Shibh and detainee reportedly celebrated the success of the 9/11 mission after watching the attacks on a television set in Karachi.<sup>36</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee is reportedly an alleged co-conspirator of convicted Zacharias Moussaoui.<sup>37</sup> (Analyst Note: Zacharias Moussaoui was given life in prison for his connection to 9/11.)<sup>38</sup>
- (S//NF) Abu Zubaydah, ISN US9GZ-010016DP (GZ-10016) remarked that detainee traveled to the Afghan-Iranian border a month before Ramadan (circa October/November 2001) in order to facilitate the infiltration of Saudi men into Afghanistan to fight the US.<sup>39</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee admittedly served on three al-Qaida committees: Accounting, Media and Purchasing.<sup>40</sup>
  - (S//NF) Detainee remarked that he handled al-Qaida's Karachi and Rawalpindi accounts because the previous accountant, Abd al-Malik, left Karachi for Saudi Arabia.<sup>41</sup>
  - (S//NF) Detainee opened a Standard Chartered Bank (SCB) account in the UAE.<sup>42</sup> Detainee remarked that the standard chartered VISA and regular accounts as well as the ATM card were used in furtherance of al-Qaida operations.<sup>43</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee, through active or passive acquisition, acquired basic military training, as well as knowledge in the use of RCFDs.
  - (S//NF) Detainee received basic training at al-Qaida's affiliated al-Faruq Training Camp while it was located in Kabul.<sup>44</sup>
  - (S//NF) Al-Qaida associate Sharif al-Masri remarked that detainee was present during some of Dr. Mohammed Ahmad's aka (Professor) training on RCFDs at an

<sup>34</sup> TD-314/30774-04

<sup>35</sup> TD-314/18038-04

<sup>36</sup> TD-314/38366-02

<sup>37</sup> SECSTATE WASHDC 251932ZFEB02

<sup>38</sup> Zacharias Moussaoui given life term by a jury 04-May-2006

<sup>39</sup> TD-314/24479-02

<sup>40</sup> TD-314/16454-03

<sup>41</sup> TD-314/30044-03

<sup>42</sup> 000722 Financial Support 23-DEC-2001

<sup>43</sup> TD-314/64916-03

<sup>44</sup> TD-314/43267-03, TD-314/54791-05

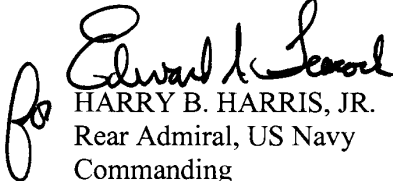
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electronics workshop in Karachi. Al-Masri commented that detainee "might have" learned circuitry.<sup>45</sup>

- (S//NF) Detainee is closely affiliated with Muhammad Essagh Sher Muhammad Khan aka (Jafar al-Tayar). (Analyst Note: Jafar al-Tayar is currently on the FBI's most wanted list.)
  - (S//NF) PK-1461 claimed detainee was a student of Jafar al-Tayar.<sup>46</sup>
  - (S//NF) Detainee identified a photo of Adnan el-Shukri Jumah as resembling Tayar when detainee last saw him in April 2002. Detainee and Tayar had also shared two Karachi safe houses from February until April 2002.<sup>47</sup>

c. (U//FOUO) **Detainee's Conduct:** Detainee detention threat level is assessed as MEDIUM based on a DoD initial 90-day observation.

  
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<sup>45</sup> TD-314/62319-04

<sup>46</sup> 001461 AFD-017 27-MAR-2003

<sup>47</sup> TD-314/18987-03