IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ALI AHMED MOHAMMED AL REZEHI,)
$et\ al.$)
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Petitioners,	<i>)</i>
v.) Civil Action No. 04-CV-1194 (HHK)
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GEORGE W. BUSH,)
President of the United States, et al.,)
Respondents.)
·	_)

DECLARATION OF JAMES R. CRISFIELD JR.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Commander James R. Crisfield Jr., Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Navy, hereby state that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the following is true, accurate and correct:

- 1. I am the Legal Advisor to the Combatant Status Review Tribunals. In that capacity I am the principal legal advisor to the Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals, and provide advice to Tribunals on legal, evidentiary, procedural, and other matters. I also review the record of proceedings in each Tribunal for legal sufficiency in accordance with standards prescribed in the Combatant Status Review Tribunal establishment order and implementing directive.
- 2. I hereby certify that the documents attached hereto constitute a true and accurate copy of the portions of the record of proceedings before the Combatant Status Review Tribunal related to petitioner Ali Ahmed Mohammed Al Razehi that are suitable for public release. The portions of the record that are classified or considered law enforcement sensitive are not attached hereto. I have redacted information that would personally identify certain U.S. Government personnel in order to protect the personal security of those individuals. I have also redacted internee

serial numbers because certain combinations of internee serial numbers with other information become classified under applicable classification guidance.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



Department of Defense Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

OARDEC/Ser: 0193 11 October 2004

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From: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunal

Subj: REVIEW OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL FOR DETAINEE ISN

Ref:

(a) Deputy Secretary of Defense Order of 7 July 2004

(b) Secretary of the Navy Order of 29 July 2004

1. I concur in the decision of the Combatant Status Review Tribunal that Detainee ISN meets the criteria for designation as an Enemy Combatant, in accordance with references (a) and (b).

2. This case is now considered final, and the detainee will be scheduled for an Administrative Review Board.

J. M. McGARRAH RADM, CEC, USN

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MEMORANDUM

From: Legal Advisor

To: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunal

Subj: LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL FOR DETAINEE ISN #

Ref: (a) Deputy Secretary of Defense Order of 7 July 2004

(b) Secretary of the Navy Implementation Directive of 29 July 2004

Encl: (1) Appointing Order for Tribunal #8 of 13 September 2004

(2) Record of Tribunal Proceedings

- 1. Legal sufficiency review has been completed on the subject Combatant Status Review Tribunal in accordance with references (a) and (b). After reviewing the record of the Tribunal, I find that:
 - a. The detainee was properly notified of the Tribunal process and voluntarily elected not to participate in the Tribunal proceedings.
 - b. The Tribunal was properly convened and constituted by enclosure (1).
 - c. The Tribunal complied with all provisions of references (a) and (b). Note that some information in exhibits R-4, R-7, R-8, and R-9, was redacted. The FBI properly certified in exhibit R-2 that the redacted information would not support a determination that the detainee is not an enemy combatant.
 - d. The detainee made no requests for witnesses or other evidence.
 - e. The Tribunal's decision that detained the properly classified as an enemy combatant was unanimous.
 - f. The detainee's Personal Representative was given the opportunity to review the record of proceedings. He declined to submit comments to the Tribunal.
- 2. The proceedings and decision of the Tribunal are legally sufficient and no corrective action is required.

3. I recommend that the decision of the Tribunal be approved and the case be considered final.

AMBS R. CRISFIELD JR

CDR, JAGC, USIN



Department of Defense Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

13 Sep 04

From: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

Subj: APPOINTMENT OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL #8

Ref: (a) Convening Authority Appointment Letter of 9 July 2004

By the authority given to me in reference (a), a Combatant Status Review Tribunal established by "Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba" dated 29 July 2004 is hereby convened. It shall hear such cases as shall be brought before it without further action of referral or otherwise.

The following commissioned officers shall serve as members of the Tribunal:

MEMBERS:

, Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve; President
, Colonel, U.S. Army; Member

, Lieutenant Colonel, JAGC, U.S. Army; Member
(JAG)

J. M. McGARRAH

Rear Admiral

Civil Engineer Corps

United States Naval Reserve

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HEADQUARTERS, OARDEC FORWARD

GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA APO AE 09360

2 October 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, CSRT

FROM: OARDEC FORWARD Commander

SUBJECT: CSRT Record of Proceedings ICO ISN

1. Pursuant to Enclosure (1), paragraph (I)(5) of the *Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba* dated 29 July 2004, I am forwarding the Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report for the above mentioned ISN for review and action.

2. If there are any questions regarding this package, point of contact on this matter is the undersigned at DSN 660-3088.

DAVID L. TAYLOR

Colonel, USAF

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(U) Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report Cover Sheet

(U) This Document is UNCLASSIFIED Upon Removal of Enclosures (2) and (4).

(U) TRIBUNAL PANEL: #8

(U) ISN#:

Ref: (a) (U) Convening Order for Tribunal #8 of 13 September 2004 (U)

(b) (U) CSRT Implementation Directive of 29 July 2004 (U)

(c) (U) DEPSECDEF Memo of 7 July 2004 (U)

Encl: (1) (U) Unclassified Summary of Basis For Tribunal Decision (U)

(2) (U) Classified Summary of Basis for Tribunal Decision (S/NF)

(3) (U) Summary of Detainee/Witness Testimony (U/FOUO) - NA

(4) (U) Copies of Documentary Evidence Presented (S/NF)

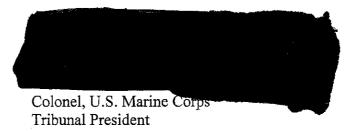
(5) (U) Personal Representative's Record Review (U)

1. (U) This Tribunal was convened on 29 September 2004 by references (a) and (b) to make a determination as to whether the detainee meets the criteria to be designated as an enemy combatant as defined in reference (c).

2. (U) On 29 September 2004 the Tribunal determined, by a preponderance of the evidence, that Detainee is properly designated as an enemy combatant as defined in reference (c).

3. (U) In particular, the Tribunal finds that this detainee is a member of, or affiliated with, al Qaida as more fully discussed in the enclosures.

4. (U) Enclosure (1) provides an unclassified account of the basis for the Tribunal's decision. A detailed account of the evidence considered by the Tribunal and its findings of fact are contained in enclosures (1) and (2).



UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF BASIS FOR TRIBUNAL DECISION

(Enclosure (1) to Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report)

TRIBUNAL PANEL:	#8	
ISN #:		

1. Introduction

As the Combatant Status Review Tribunal (CSRT) Decision Report indicates, the Tribunal has determined that this detainee is properly classified as an enemy combatant and is a member of, or affiliated with, al Qaida. In reaching its conclusions, the Tribunal considered both classified and unclassified information. The following is an account of the unclassified evidence considered by the Tribunal and other pertinent information. Classified evidence considered by the Tribunal is discussed in Enclosure (2) to the CSRT Decision Report.

2. Synopsis of Proceedings

The unclassified evidence presented to the Tribunal by the Recorder indicated that the Detainee was identified as a bodyguard for Usama Bin Laden (UBL). The Detainee was captured as he attempted to cross the border from Afghanistan into Pakistan with several other members of al Qaida, UBL bodyguards and Taliban fighters. Additionally, the Detainee supported al Qaida by running a "small mudafah in Kandahar" which housed fighters pending further training or operational assignment. The detainee chose not to participate in the Tribunal process. He called no witnesses, requested no unclassified or classified documents be produced, and made no statement. The personal representative verified that the linguist was of the correct dialect to translate the CSRT information to the detainee.

3. Evidence Considered by the Tribunal

The Tribunal considered the following evidence in reaching its conclusions:

- a. Exhibits: D-a and R-1 through R-17.
- b. Testimony of the following persons: None
- c. No statement from the detainee

4. Rulings by the Tribunal on Detainee Requests for Evidence or Witnesses

The Detainee requested no witnesses and requested no additional evidence be produced; therefore, no rulings on these matters were required.

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5. Discussion of Unclassified Evidence

The Tribunal considered the following unclassified evidence in making its determinations:

- a. The recorder offered Exhibits R-1 thru R-3 into evidence during the unclassified portion of the proceeding. Exhibit R-1 is the Unclassified Summary of Evidence. While this summary is helpful in that it provides a broad outline of what the Tribunal can expect to see, it is not persuasive in that it provides conclusory statements without supporting unclassified evidence.
- b. Exhibit R-2 and R-3, requests from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to redact certain information from the FBI Form 302s or FD 302s were not helpful to the Tribunal in determining whether the Detainee was properly classified as an enemy combatant. The Tribunal therefore found Exhibit R-2 and R-3 to be without merit.

The Tribunal also relied on certain classified evidence in reaching its decision. A discussion of the classified evidence is found in Enclosure (2) to the Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report.

6. Consultations with the CSRT Legal Advisor

No issues arose during the course of this hearing that required consultation with the CSRT legal advisor.

7. Conclusions of the Tribunal

Upon careful review of all the evidence presented in this matter, the Tribunal makes the following determinations:

- a. The detainee was mentally and physically capable of participating in the proceeding. No medical or mental health evaluation was deemed necessary.
- b. The detainee understood the Tribunal proceedings, but chose not to participate in the Tribunal process, as indicated in Exhibit D-a. The Tribunal questioned the Personal Representative closely on this matter and was satisfied that the Personal Representative had made every effort to ensure that the Detainee had made an informed decision.
- c. The detainee is properly classified as an enemy combatant and is a member of, or affiliated with, al Qaida.

ISN Enclosure (1)
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8. Dissenting Tribunal Member's report

None. The Tribunal reached a unanimous decision.

Respectfully submitted,

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Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps Tribunal President

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Combatant Status Review Board

TO: Personal Representative

FROM: OIC, CSRT (23 September 2004)

Subject: Summary of Evidence for Combatant Status Review Tribunal - AL RAHIZI, Ali Ahmad Muhammad.

- 1. Under the provisions of the Secretary of the Navy Memorandum, dated 29 July 2004, Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base Cuba, a Tribunal has been appointed to review the detainee's designation as an enemy combatant.
- 2. An enemy combatant has been defined as "an individual who was part of or supporting the Taliban or al Qaida forces, or associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners. This includes any person who committed a belligerent act or has directly supported hostilities in aid of enemy armed forces."
- 3. The United States Government has previously determined that the detainee is an enemy combatant. This determination is based on information possessed by the United States that indicates that he is a member of al Qaida and supported forces engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners.
 - a. The detainee is a member of al Qaida:
 - 1. The detainee has been identified as a bodyguard for Usama Bin Laden.
 - b. The detainee supported military operations against the United States or its coalition partners.
 - 1. Detainee was the Amir at the "small mudafah in Kandahar."
 - 2. The mudafah in Kandahar billeted fighters pending further training or operational assignment.
 - 3. The mudafah was operated by the Operations and Logistics elements of al Qaida.
- 4. The detainee has the opportunity to contest his designation as an enemy combatant. The Tribunal will endeavor to arrange for the presence of any reasonably available witnesses or evidence that the detainee desires to call or introduce to prove that he is not an enemy combatant. The Tribunal President will determine the reasonable availability of evidence or witnesses.

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Memorandum



To : Department of Defense

Date 09/20/2004

Office of Administrative Review for Detained Enemy Combatants, Col. David Taylor, OIC, CSRT

From : FBI GTMO

Counterterrorism Division, Office of General Counsel,



Subject

REQUEST FOR REDACTION OF

NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION

Pursuant to the Secretary of the Navy Order of 29 July 2004, Implementation of Combatant Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba, Section D, paragraph 2, the FBI requests redaction of the information herein marked. The FBI makes this request on the basis that said information relates to the national security of the United States2. Inappropriate dissemination of said information could damage the national security of the United States and compromise ongoing FBI investigations.

CERTIFICATION THAT REDACTED INFORMATION DOES NOT SUPPORT A DETERMINATION THAT THE DETAINEE IS NOT AN ENEMY COMBATANT

The FBI certifies the aforementioned redaction contains no information that would support a determination that the detainee is not an enemy combatant.

The following documents relative to ISN have been redacted by the FBI and provided to the OARDEC, GTMO:

FD-302 dated 12/05/2002

¹Redactions are blackened out on the OARDEC provided FBI document.

²See Executive Order 12958

Memorandum from to Col. David Taylor Re: REQUEST FOR REDACTION, 09/20/2004

If you need additional assistance, please contact
Intelligence Analyst (IA)

, or IA

Memorandum



To :

Department of Defense

Date 09/27/2004

Office of Administrative Review for Detained Enemy Combatants Col. David Taylor, OIC, CSRT

From:

FBI GTMO

Counterterrorism Division

Subject

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FD-302 dated 05/19/2002

FD-302 dated 12/19/2002

FD-302 dated 07/10/2003

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²See Executive Order 12958

Memorandum from to Col. David Taylor Re: REQUEST FOR REDACTION, 09/27/2004

If you need additional assistance, please contact

or, Intelligence Analyst

Intelligence Analyst

DETAINEE ELECTION FORM

Date: 28 Sep 04

	Start Time: 1000
	End Time: 1020
ISN#:	·
Personal Representative: (Name/Rank)	MAJOR, USAF
Translator Required? <u>YES</u>	Language? ARABIC
CSRT Procedure Read to Deta	inee or Written Copy Read by Detainee? NO
Detainee Election:	
Wants to Participate X Affirmatively Declin	e in Tribunal nes to Participate in Tribunal
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Uncooperative or U	nresponsive
Personal Representative C	Comments:
Detainee affirmatively declined t	to participate and did not call any witnesses.
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Personal	Representative:

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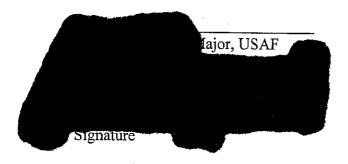
Exhibit #422

Personal Representative Review of the Record of Proceedings

I acknowledge that on _____ October 2004 I was provided the opportunity to review the record of proceedings for the Combatant Status Review Tribunal involving ISN

X I have no comments.

____ My comments are attached.



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