DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE



REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA APO AE 09360

JTF GTMO-CG

23 July 2003

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

SUBJECT: (S) Transfer Recommendation for Guantanamo Detainee, Mohammed Ismail, ISN: US9AF-00930DP

- (S) Personal Information: Mohammed Ismail is an Afghani national, born in 1988 (age 16) in Doorbini, Afghanistan. He is in good health.
- 2. (S) Detention Information: Subject detainee worked since childhood with his father constructing buildings and houses, when a lack of employment forced him to search for work elsewhere. In early December, 2002, detainee traveled from Doorbini, Afghanistan to neighboring villages Lashkar Gar, Chan Jir and Gereshk, AF to find work. Detainee was unable to find a job after looking for three days in Lashkar Gar, AF and Chan Jir, AF. The following day, the detainee and an individualnamed Mohammed Whali, traveled to Gereshk and stayed in a hotel in the outskirts of the town. Soldiers in the vicinity were working on an irrigation ditch known as a "Khali," so the detainee thought he might find work on the project. Detainee and Whali woke a soldier sleeping in a nearby tent and requested work, but were denied. Instead the soldier offered the pair a chance to join the Taliban and fight against Americans. Whali accepted the offer for both of them, but detained was apprehensive, stating that he wanted to find construction work instead. The soldiers planned to go into Gereshk city the next day and offered to transport the detainee and Whali with them. However, instead of taking them to Gereshk, the soldiers turned them over-to a commander (NFI) who put them into another vehicle and took them to jail. Interrogators allegedly told the detainee that Whaliwould be released because he admitted that he was Taliban, so he admitted it also. Detainee was then transferred to Baghram, AF and subsequently transported to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba on 7 February 2002 because of his knowledge of possible plans to
- 3. (S) Assessment: Based on information collected and available to Joint Task Force Guantanamo as of 16 July 2003, detainee ISN: US9AF-000930DP is assessed as being neither affiliated with al-Qaida nor a Taliban leader. Moreover, based on the detainee folder, the knowledgeability brief, and subsequent interrogations by JTF Guantanamo, the detainee has no further intelligence value to the United States and will not be seen for further

attack American forces in Afghanistan, as well as ingress and egress routes in Afghanistan.

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intelligence purposes. Subject detainee has not expressed thoughts of violence or made threats toward the U.S. or its allies during interrogations or in the course of his detention. Based on the above, detainee poses a low threat to the U.S., it's interests or allies.

- (S) Recommendation: In view of the foregoing, I recommend subject detained be considered for release or transfer to the control of another government.
- 5. (C) Coordination: JTF Guantanamo notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force of this recommendation on 17 June 2003. On 16 July 2003, the CITF Assessment Board met and determined that ISN: US9AF-000930DP be recommended to be retained in DoD Control because CITF has not fully assessed his case.

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