

SECRET//X1



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO
GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA
APO AE 09360

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

JTF GTMO-CG

6 September 2003

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

SUBJECT: (S//NF) Transfer Recommendation for Guantanamo Detainee, Naqibullah Shawali Zair Mohammed, ISN: US9AF-000834DP, to Another Country for Continued Detention

1. (S) **Personal Information:** Naqibullah Shawali Zair Mohammed is an Afghanistan national born in 1976 (age 27) in Khost, Afghanistan. He has been diagnosed with latent Tuberculosis and Anxiety Disorder, but is otherwise in good health.
2. (S) **Detention Information:** Subject detainee claims dual citizenship in Pakistan and Afghanistan (AF) and stated that he's a doctor of internal medicine and owns the Shaheen Welfare Clinic in Lwara Bazaar, Bermal, AF. Detainee was arrested with his younger brother and another individual after a rocket attack on the Lawara Fire Base. Just after the attack, a US Air Force A-10 observed a vehicle fleeing the scene and after engaging the vehicle the pilot observed three subjects flee into a nearby compound. US forces searched the compound and the detainee along with his brother and another man were taken into custody after being identified as possibly being one of the three subjects who fled from the vehicle. Detainee denies participating in the attack or having any knowledge of the individuals involved. Detainee was subsequently transported to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba on 27 October 2002 because of his suspected involvement in the rocket attack.
3. (S) **Reasons for Continued Detention:** Detainee's creditability is considered poor and he has never satisfactorily explained the circumstances involving the three subjects who fled into the compound following the rocket attack. No evidence has come forward directly linking the detainee to the attack, however circumstantial evidence strongly suggests the detainee was a participant or he may have additional knowledge of anti-US forces operating in the area. The detainee is highly educated and has never expressed any overt thoughts of violence towards the US while in captivity. However, in his correspondence home to family members, the detainee's letters seem to suggest differently. After reviewing the circumstances of his

DERIVED FROM: Multiple Sources
CLASSIFIED BY: ENDURING FREEDOM SCG
DATE OF SOURCE: 28 March 2002
DECLASSIFY ON: X1

SECRET//X1

JTF GTMO-CG

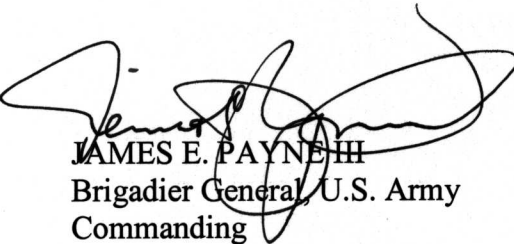
SUBJECT: Transfer Recommendation for Guantanamo Detainee, Naqibullah Shawali Zair Mohammed, ISN: US9AF-000834DP, to Another Country for Continued Detention

capture and his subsequent statements, it is assessed that the detainee may have participated in the attack or was at the very least complacent in the operation. Through his pocket litter and information obtained after the search of his home, the detainee shows links with known Taliban members and also suggests tentative links to possible Al-Qaida members that he may have come into contact with through his clinic. The detainee has not been completely forthright though he has gone to great pains to appear to be supportive and corporative during his detention. Therefore, detainee possibly poses a threat to the current government of Afghanistan.

4. (S) **Assessment:** Based on information collected and available to Joint Task Force Guantanamo as of 2 September 2003, detainee ISN: US9AF-000834DP is assessed as not being a member of Al-Qaida or Taliban leader. Moreover, based on the detainee's folder, the knowledgeability brief, and subsequent interrogations by JTF Guantanamo, the detainee is of low intelligence value to the United States. Based on the above, detainee poses a medium threat to the U.S., its interests or its allies.

5. (S) **Recommendation:** In view of the foregoing, I recommend subject detainee be considered for transfer to the control of another government for continued detention.

6. (C) **Coordination:** JTF Guantanamo notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force of this recommendation on 18 August 2003.



JAMES E. PAYNE III
Brigadier General, U.S. Army
Commanding

CF: CITF-GTMO