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# GUANTANAMO DETAINEE PROFILE

Detainee ISN:	SA-195
Detainee Name:	Muhammad Abd Al-Rahman Al-Shumrani
Detainee Aliases:	Muhammad Abd al-Rahman Awn al Rifai al Shamrani, Mohammad Abdul Rahman al Shamrani, Muhammad al-Rahman al-Shumrant, Muhammad al Rahman al-Shumrani, Muhammad Abd al-Rahman al-Shumrani, Mohammed al-Rahman al-Shemrane, Muhammad Abd al-Rahman un al-Shamrani, Mohammed Abdel Rahman al-Shammeri, Mohammed Abd al-Rahman al-Shammeri, Mohammad Bin Abdul Rahman al-Shahrani, al-Marira, al Muqera, al Moghera, al Mogirah al-Ansari, Moghaira, al Mughirah al-Ansari, al Mugira al-Ansari, al Mugheerah al-Ansari, Abu al Maghiza al Ansari, Abu Rashe, Abu Bashi, Abu Abdul Rahman al Shaeerah
Nationality:	Saudi Arabian
Date of Birth:	February 1975
Arrival at Guantanamo:	January 2002

Muhammad Abd Al-Rahman Al-Shumrani (SA-195) was recruited for jihad while working as a high school teacher in Saudi Arabia, and he subsequently served as a recruiter in Saudi Arabia for al-Qa'ida and the Taliban. During interviews, he stated he initially aspired to fight in Bosnia and Chechnya, but on his parents' insistence, traveled instead to Afghanistan to undergo training. While in Afghanistan, SA-195 trained with and almost certainly joined both al-Qa'ida and the Taliban. After completing his training, SA-195 possibly attempted to travel to Chechnya to engage in jihad but was unable to enter that region and so returned to Saudi Arabia. He later returned to Afghanistan, where he fought on the frontlines against the Northern Alliance and almost certainly US Forces. During his time in Afghanistan, SA-195 probably cultivated direct or indirect relationships with numerous extremist leaders.

SA-195 has been a problematic and unpredictable detainee throughout his incarceration at the Guantanamo Bay detention facility, having committed several significant disciplinary infractions and used his authority as a religious leader to encourage other detainees not to cooperate with detention staff. He has provided little information during interviews, probably is withholding information of value, and has declined all interviews since 2007. While SA-195 openly admitted to participating in jihad in Afghanistan, he has been careful not to implicate himself further during interrogations and repeatedly has recanted prior statements or refused to discuss his own file and involvement in terrorism. He repeatedly has told interrogators and other detainees he would reengage in extremism if he were released from Guantanamo. He has minimal known associations with at-large extremists.