

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

JTF GTMO-CG

8 February 2003

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

SUBJECT: (S) Transfer Recommendation for Guantanamo Detainee, Fahed al-Sharbani, ISN: US9SA-00080DP

- 1. (S) **Personal Information:** Fahed al-Sharbani is a Saudi national born in 1982 (age 20) in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Detainee was diagnosed with and treated for osteomyelitis related to a clavicle fracture but is otherwise in good health.
- 2. (FOUO) Detention Information: In late October 2001, an individual recruited subject detainee to participate in jihad in Afghanistan. Detainee agreed to participate in this jihad because detainee wanted to fight communists and Masood's troops who detainee believed were killing innocent Muslims. An individual gave detainee a list of directions to Afghanistan and was instructed to bring 5,000 Saudi Riyals (about 1,300 USD). Detainee saved the necessary funds to finance this trip and left after informing his family of his decision. Detainee first traveled to Syria by plane to purchase medicinal products before continuing on to Iran where he took a taxi to the Iran-Afghanistan border. Detainee then traveled by car to an area near Konduz, Afghanistan where detained joined a group of approximately 100 Arabs under Abdul Salam's command. Detainee never witnessed any battles or enemy troops, but after two weeks at the front, Abdul Salam's group was ordered to retreat. On 26 November 2001, Abdul Salam's troops surrendered to General Dostum's Northern Alliance forces in Konduz. While surrendering, detainee was wounded and taken to Qala-Jengi Prison near Mazar-e-Sharif. In December 2001, detained was transferred to U.S. forces and subsequently transported to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba on 07 February 2002 because of his knowledge of Islamic radical groups recruited from Saudi Arabia and of Arabs fighting in the Taliban under Abdul Salam. Detainee has been cooperative, but Joint Task Force Guantanamo considers the information obtained from and about him as neither valuable nor tactically exploitable.
- 3. (S) Assessment: Based on current information, detained ISN: US9SA-00080DP is assessed as being neither affiliated with al-Qaida nor a Taliban leader. Moreover, based on the detained folder, the knowledgeability brief, and subsequent interrogations by JTF Guantanamo, the results of which are available on the JTF Guantanamo detained database, the

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detainee has no further intelligence value to the United States and will not be seen for further 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 does not pose a future threat to the U.S. or its interests.

- 4. (S) **Recommendation**: In view of the foregoing, I recommend subject detained be considered for transfer or release to the control of another government.
- 5. (C) Coordination: JTF Guantanamo notified the Criminal Investigative Task Force of this recommendation on 18 January 2003.

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