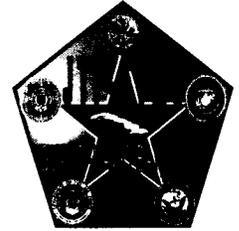




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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO
GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA
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08 December 2005

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

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) for
Guantanamo Detainee, ISN: US9SA-000286DP (S)

JTF GTMO Detainee Assessment

1. (S//NF) Personal Information:

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Ziyad Sa'id Faraj Al Jahdali
- Aliases and Current/True Name: Ziad Said Farg Jahdari, Arwa, Irwa Abu Khalid, Abu Arwa, Ziad Al Jadani, Zeyad Saeed Al Jadhali, and Ziyad Al Hadithi
- Place of Birth: Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 4 December 1978
- Citizenship: Saudi Arabia
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9SA-000286DP



2. (FOUO) Health: Detainee is in good health. He went on a hunger strike in September 2005. He has no known drug allergies and no travel restrictions.

3. (S//NF) JTF GTMO Assessment:

a. (S) Recommendation: JTF GTMO recommends this detainee for Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD). JTF GTMO previously assessed detainee as Retain in DoD Control (DoD) on 10 September 2004.

b. (S//NF) Executive Summary: Detainee is assessed as an Al-Qaida member. He traveled to Afghanistan to participate in jihad. Detainee served on two different fronts against the Northern Alliance between June and November 2001. He is affiliated with various members of Al-Qaida's terrorist network. It is assessed this detainee is a MEDIUM

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risk, as he may pose a threat to the US, its interests and allies. JTF GTMO determined this detainee is of MEDIUM intelligence value. [ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS DETAINEE IS AVAILABLE IN A SCI SUPPLEMENT.]

4. (S//NF) Detainee Background Summary:

The following section is based, unless otherwise indicated, on detainee's own account. These statements are included without consideration of veracity, accuracy, or reliability.

a. (S//NF) Prior History: Detainee left school in 1997 after secondary education in Saudi Arabia. He was unable to keep a steady job.¹ He attempted to join the Saudi military, but was refused due to his lack of education.² Detainee started using drugs, such as hashish, which were readily available in Jeddah.³ In late 2000, detainee devoted himself to religion and frequented a mosque in his Al-Ruways neighborhood.⁴

b. (S//NF) Recruitment and Travel: In mid-2001, detainee met a Jeddah native named Abu Faruq (variant Faruk and Farouq) who attended the same mosque. Abu Faruq recommended detainee go to Afghanistan (AF) on a da'wa, to make a clear break from his life with drug-taking friends. (Analyst Note: Abu Faruq is assessed as a Taliban recruiter/facilitator, possibly associated with Al-Qaida.)⁵ Detainee agreed and got a passport the next day, while Abu Faruq obtained a Pakistani visa and a round-trip airline ticket for him. In addition, Abu Faruq provided detainee with 1500 Saudi Riyals (SR) (approximately \$400 USD) and a contact's name in Karachi, Pakistan (PK). At Abu Faruq's request, detainee took the alias "Arwa."⁶ In mid-July 2001, detainee traveled to Karachi, Pakistan (PK), via Dubai, United Arab Emirates.⁷ (Analyst Note: Mabahith reporting⁸ indicates detainee received his passport on 18 June 2001 and left Jeddah, SA, on 24 June 2001.) He was met by an unidentified Pakistani national at the Karachi airport who arranged detainee's travel to Kandahar.⁹

¹ TD-314/26601-02

² 000286 302 23-Apr-2002

³ TD-314/26601-02

⁴ TD-314/00949-02

⁵ IIR 2 340 6340 02

⁶ TD-314/26601-02

⁷ IIR 6 034 0195 02

⁸ (S//NF) (Analyst Note: Mabahith is the term used for the Saudi Ministry of Interior, General Directorate of Investigations)

⁹ TD-314/00949-02

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c. (S) Training and Activities: After arriving in Afghanistan, Abu Muhjin¹⁰ convinced detainee to fight with the Taliban against the Ahmad Masoud-led forces.¹¹ He stayed in Kandahar for about three weeks at a Taliban guesthouse before traveling to Kabul.¹² Upon arrival in Kabul, detainee stayed at a house called the Afghan Center (variant Afghan House), which was headed by an Arabic-speaking Taliban known as Abdul Kareem. An individual named Hamza Al Quaiti¹³ was second in charge at the residence.¹⁴ (Analyst Note: Hamza Al Quaiti refers to Al-Qaida facilitator Abu Hamza Al Qa'iti.) At the guesthouse, detainee claimed he received one-day of training on the Kalashnikov. After training, he served as a guard at the Afghan Center.¹⁵ Detainee was in Kabul on 11 September 2001.¹⁶ He left the Afghan Center in October 2001 and moved to a position north of Kabul, where he again met Abu Faruq.¹⁷ Abu Faruq went to the front lines, and detainee claimed he never saw him again.¹⁸

5. (S//NF) Capture Information:

a. (S//NF) Reporting indicates Pakistani forces arrested detainee and imprisoned him at Kohat, PK, under charges of being Taliban. Pakistan transferred detainee to US custody on 4 January 2002.¹⁹

b. (S) Property Held:²⁰

- Personal copy of a Koran
- Small bottle of perfume

c. (S) Transferred to JTF GTMO: 11 February 2002

¹⁰ (S/NF) Variant Mihjin, Mahjin, Mehjin, Mejhin, and Majhid

¹¹ IIR 2 340 6340 02

¹² 000286 302 01-Jun-2002, IIR 6 034 0608 02

¹³ (S//NF) Variant Al Qa'iti, Al Kyate, Alkuaiti, Al Gayedi, Al Qu'aidi, Al Qoaiti, Al Giati

¹⁴ IIR 6 034 0195 02

¹⁵ 000286 302 19-Oct-2002

¹⁶ 000286 302 01-Jun-2002, IIR 6 034 0608 02

¹⁷ 000286 302 23-Apr-2002

¹⁸ 000286 302 01-Jun-2002, IIR 6 034 0608 02

¹⁹ TD 314/27544-02

²⁰ TD-314/00949-02

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d. (S//NF) Reasons for Transfer to JTF GTMO: To provide information on the following:

- An individual named (FNU) Abu Faruq convinced detainee to travel to Afghanistan and provided him at a later date with an AK-47
- A safe house in Kabul, AF, run by Hamza Al Qa'iti
- Escape routes utilized by the Taliban to travel from Jalalabad, AF, to Pakistan

6. (S//NF) Evaluation Of Detainee's Account: Detainee's travel accounts differ from official Saudi reports. Detainee reported that he traveled to Afghanistan in July 2001; however, Mabahith reporting indicates that he traveled to the UAE in June 2001. The information he provided regarding his training is inconsistent with previous corroborated reporting. Detainee claimed he traveled to Kabul, received one-day of training on a Kalashnikov, and then stood guard duty. However, a number of other Saudi detainees' who reported traveling to Afghanistan in June/July 2001 attended training at Al-Farouq. Detainee made the comment that he had responsibilities back in Saudi Arabia and only planned to stay in Afghanistan for two months. This is highly improbable for an individual who did not have a job for five years and is the middle brother. Finally, Mabahith reported detainee traveled to Chechnya. Detainee neither admitted nor denied this statement.

7. (S//NF) Detainee Threat:

a. (S) Assessment: It is assessed the detainee poses a MEDIUM risk, as he may pose a threat to the US, its interests and allies.

b. (S//NF) Reasons for Continued Detention: Detainee is an assessed Al-Qaida member who traveled to Afghanistan for jihad and received weapons training at Al-Qaida's Al-Farouq training camp. He admitted working as a Taliban guard. Detainee possibly served in Afghanistan with UBL's 55th Arab Brigade. Detainee utilized Al-Qaida facilitators and guesthouses. The Saudi Mabahith reported detainee was placed on a watch list after traveling to Chechnya. His name appears on lists captured from raids of Al-Qaida safe houses.

- (S//NF) Detainee willingly joined the jihad against the Northern Alliance with the assistance of two Taliban recruiters, possibly associated with Al-Qaida.
 - (S//NF) Assessed Taliban facilitator Abu Faruq recruited detainee.²¹ In Afghanistan, detainee met with a second Taliban recruiter and probable Al-Qaida member named Abu Muhjin.

²¹ IIR 6 034 0608 02

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- (S//NF) In spring 2001, Abu Faruq facilitated detainee's travel to Afghanistan by providing money and plane tickets from Saudi Arabia to Karachi, PK.²²
- (S//NF) Detainee reported that Abu Muhjin asked detainee to join the fight with the Taliban against the Northern Alliance. Detainee reported Abu Muhjin was a Saudi Taliban recruiter who asked recruits in Kandahar to travel to Kabul for weapons training.²³ (Analyst Note: Abu Muhjin is probably Al-Qaida unit commander Abu Muhjin Al Taifi.)
 - ◆ (S//NF) Senior Al-Qaida operative Walid Muhammad Salih Bin Attash aka Khallad reported that Abu Muhjin Al Taifi spent most of his time in Kabul and Kandahar, AF, and was reportedly an Al-Qaida unit commander fighting US and coalition forces in late 2001.²⁴
- (S//NF) Detainee received training at Al-Qaida's Al-Farouq training camp.
 - (S//NF) Assessed Al-Qaida member Mohammad Basardah, ISN US9YM-00252DP (YM-252), reported that detainee was with him at Al-Farouq, Kabul, and Tora Bora.²⁵
- (S//NF) Detainee utilized Al-Qaida guesthouses.
 - (S//NF) Detainee claimed he left his passport with his belongings when he hurriedly left Jalalabad.²⁶ However, other reporting indicates that detainee's name and alias (or variant thereof) were found on three separate documents recovered from Al-Qaida associated safe/guest houses.²⁷
 - ◆ S//NF) A variant of detainee's name, Ziyad (or Zayd) Sa'id Al Hadithi or Jadhali, was listed on a trust account list. The contents of the trust and trust number were left blank.²⁸
 - ◆ (S//NF) A variant of detainee's name, Zeyad Saeed Al Jadhali, was listed along with 324 other names with the notation that he was in possession of a Saudi passport.²⁹
 - ◆ (S//NF) A variant of detainee's name, Ziyad Sayd Al Jahdali, was listed on a document recovered from a floppy disk found during an 11 September 2002 raid at an Al-Qaida safe house in Karachi, PK.³⁰
- (S//NF) Detainee associated with two Al-Qaida commanders.³¹

²² IIR 6 034 0195 02²³ IIR 2 340 6340 02²⁴ TD 314/33185-03, IIR 6 034 0564 03²⁵ FM40 20050315 - US9YM-00252DP²⁶ FM40 20021018 - US9SA-00286DP²⁷ TD-314/47683-03, TD-314/40693-02, TD 314 42895 02²⁸ TD-314/47683-03²⁹ TD-314/40693-02³⁰ TD 314 42895 02³¹ IIR 2 340 6340 02

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- (S//NF) Detainee reported that Abu Taha was a Moroccan and a Taliban at a location in Kabul where weapons training was conducted³² (Analyst Note: It is highly probable this individual is assessed Al-Qaida member and weapons trainer at Al-Farouq, Abdul Latif Nasir, ISN US9MO-000244DP (MO-244).)
- (S) Detainee reported that Ali Mahmoud was a Saudi and a Taliban leader who visited the lines. Detainee accompanied Mahmoud on at least one occasion.³³
 - (S) Ali Mahmoud was identified as the Commander of Al-Qaida fighters at Tora Bora until Usama Bin Laden (UBL) replaced him with Sheikh Al Libi on 19 November 2001. Ali Mahmoud was allegedly killed in during an air strike on 2 December 2001.³⁴
- (S//NF) Detainee fought on the front lines of Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom against the Northern Alliance and guarded an Al-Qaida safe house.
 - (S//NF) Detainee admitted serving alongside the Taliban in the northern part of Afghanistan in order to fight against the Northern Alliance.³⁵
 - (S//NF) Detainee reported that he stayed at, and guarded an Al-Qaida safe house called the Afghan Center that was closely associated with Al-Qaida recruiter/facilitator Hamza Al Qa'iti and possibly an Al-Qaida operative named Asfur.³⁶
 - (S//NF) The Yemeni Political Security Organization (PSO) identified Hamza Salim Al Qa'iti as an Al-Qaida member believed to be in Afghanistan as of 15 December 2001.³⁷ Reporting indicates that the house was managed by Asfur and owned by Al Qa'iti.³⁸ Senior Al-Qaida lieutenant Abu Zubaydah remarked that Al Qa'iti worked for Abu Dhahak, Abu Mus'ab Al Zarqawi, or Al-Qaida and that he had a good relationship with Zarqawi.³⁹
 - ◆ (S//NF) A former mujahid reported that an Al-Qaida member named Asfur was a close associate of Al-Qaida facilitator and Kabul guesthouse keeper known as Hamza Al Qa'iti. The former mujahid reported that Asfur was leading a group of Islamic extremists in Yemen.⁴⁰
 - ◆ (S//NF) Ahmed Muhammed Haza Al Darbi, ISN US9SA-000768DP (SA-768) identified a picture of an Al-Asfur who was reportedly close to Al-Qa'iti. The picture was identified as Khalid Ahmad Ahmad Al Jallub (variant Al

³² IIR 2 340 6340 02

³³ IIR 2 340 6340 02

³⁴ IIR 2 340 6244 02

³⁵ 000286 302 23-Apr-2002

³⁶ IIR 6 034 0195 02

³⁷ TD-314/49402-01

³⁸ IIR 6 034 0744 02, TD-314/47433-02

³⁹ TD-314/47433-02

⁴⁰ TD-314/49984-02

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Gloub) who was suspected of being involved in the Limburg bombing.⁴¹ On 25 May 2004, Asfur stood trial for his actions.⁴²

- (S//NF) It is assessed that detainee probably was subordinate to Abdul Salam Al Hadrami⁴³ while serving on the front lines of Bagram and Kabul under an individual named Abd Al Karim.⁴⁴ (Analyst Note: Al Hadrami was a sub-commander under Abdul Hadi Al Iraqi in Usama Bin Laden's (UBL's) former 55th Arab Brigade. UBL closely participated in the command and control of this Brigade.)
 - (S//NF) Detainee reported that he used the alias Irwa Abu Khalid while serving under an individual named Abd Al Karim (variant: Abd Ul Kareem and Abdul Kareem) on the rear echelon lines at the "Bagram front" after receiving one day of hurried field training course in light arms.⁴⁵
- (S//NF) Detainee is possibly related (cousins) to assessed Al-Qaida member Hamud Dakhil Hamud, ISN US9SA-000230DP (SA-230).
 - (S//NF) YM-252 reported that detainee is a cousin of SA-230.⁴⁶
 - (S//NF) Abdullah R Razaq, ISN US9SA-000067DP (SA-67) believed detainee was from the same village and sub-tribe as SA-230, but remarked that SA-230 and detainee are not related. SA-67 believed that detainee's alias was Orwah.⁴⁷
- (S//NF) Detainee may be tied to other extremist organizations.
 - (S//NF) Assessed Al-Qaida member Fahd 'Umr 'Abd Al Majid Al Sharif, ISN US9SA-000215 (SA-215), was asked about a piece of his pocket litter with the wording, "Abu Arwa brothers of Musa'ab Al-Sharif. SA-215's response suggests an association with Ziad Al Jadani aka Abu Arwa, a variant of detainee's name and one of his aliases. (Analyst Note: Detainee's Bagram U.S. source number is associated with this document. Phone numbers found in SA-215's pocket litter are associated with North African terrorist groups and the Hassan Ghul financial network, a financier of the Al-Qaida terrorist organization.)⁴⁸
 - (S//NF) Saudi Ministry of Interior, General Directorate of Investigations (Mabahith) reported that detainee was a friend of Amin Ahmad 'Ubady Al Jahdali.⁴⁹

⁴¹ IIR 6 044 5111 03

⁴² TD-314/39941-04

⁴³ TD-314/00954-02

⁴⁴ 000286 302 23-Apr-2002, 000286 302 19-Oct-2002

⁴⁵ TD-314/00949-02

⁴⁶ FM40 20050315 - US9YM-00252DP, 000230 KB, IIR 2 340 6648 02, IIR 2 340 6450 02, IIR 2 340 6547 02, 000252 SIR 27-Sep-2004

⁴⁷ 000067 SIR 12-Nov-2004

⁴⁸ IIR 2 340 6122 02, IIR 2 340 6547 02, IIR 2 340 6450 02

⁴⁹ TD-314/27544-02

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Detainee reported that Amin was one of his neighbors when he lived in Jeddah who lived at the opposite end of the same street, but that he never socialized with him.⁵⁰

- (S//NF) Nayif 'Abd Al 'Aziz Muhammad Al 'Awshan aka Nawwaf aka Mus'ab reported that Amin Ahmad 'Ubayd Al Jahdali aka Abu Asim aka Abu Muslima was an associate of senior Al-Qaida facilitator Ahmad Ibrahim Ahmad Mansur aka Abu Hasana aka Abu Mu'az Al Jidawi.⁵¹

- (S//NF) Detainee was designated by the Saudi Ministry of Interior as a high priority, and was placed on their watch list decree on 21 February 2001, for a previous trip to Chechnya.⁵⁵

c. (FOUO) Detainee's Conduct: Detainee is assessed as a MODERATE threat from a detention perspective. The detainee's overall behavior has been non-compliant but rarely hostile to the guard force and staff. The detainee currently has 32 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction listed in DIMS. The most recent occurred on 13 August 2005 when he smeared feces on the Plexiglas in his cell. In the days preceding that incident, the detainee had participated in a disturbance in support of another block, broken the footpads from his cell, and poured urine onto the tier. Other incidents for which SA-286 has been disciplined include, damage to property, failure to follow instructions, cross block talking, possession of contraband (non-weapon type items), inciting a disturbance, and assault. Detainee has also been seen doing unauthorized PT in his cell on several occasions and often does martial arts, sometimes taking a leadership role and doing PT with other detainees. The detainee has only 4 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction in 2005 including an attempt to spit on a guard on 16 June.

8. (S//NF) Detainee Intelligence Value Assessment:

- a. **(S) Assessment:** JTF GTMO determined this detainee is of MEDIUM intelligence value.
- b. **(S//NF) Placement and Access:** Detainee admitted working as a guard at the Afghan House, an Al-Qaida associated guesthouse in Kabul run by an associate of Al-Qaida recruiter/facilitator named Hamza Al Qa'iti. YM-252 identified detainee as being

⁵⁰ FM40 20041108 - US9SA-00286DP

⁵¹ TD-314/06776-02

⁵² S-4J2-2410-0085-05M

⁵³ TD 314/06776-02, TD 314/45927-04, GMP20050429712003

⁵⁴ ANTITERRORISM FORCE PROTECTION - 11 NOVEMBER 2002

⁵⁵ TD-314/27544-02

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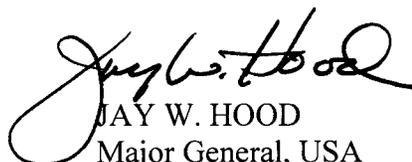
at Al-Farouq, Kabul, and Tora Bora. Due to the time frame that detainee arrived in Afghanistan, along with reporting from other detainees, it is highly probable that he received training at Al-Farouq prior to traveling to the Kabul lines.

c. (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment: Detainee's relationship to the Taliban and individuals affiliated with Al-Qaida needs further investigation. The extent of his past relationship with known facilitators and Al-Qaida members is not clear. However, the locations and individuals he came in contact with indicate there is much more information he could provide. More information is necessary from detainee and other Saudi Arabian detainee's from the same area to corroborate or invalidate detainee's statements regarding his recruitment by the Taliban. Detainee identified a number of Al-Qaida terrorist network figures including possibly MO-244. Further information is necessary to ascertain the full scope of his activities in Afghanistan. Detainee has failed to provide additional information about his reported travel to Chechnya. It is also unclear what type of training he received in Afghanistan.

d. (S//NF) Areas of Potential Exploitation:

- Al-Qaida
 - Leadership
 - Facilitators and operatives
 - Basic training facilities, tactics, curriculum, and trainers
 - Safe houses and personalities
 - Recruitment activities and personnel in Saudi Arabia
 - Possible association with UBL's former 55th Arab Brigade
- Extremist activity in Chechnya
- Possible extremist activities of family members

9. (S) EC Status: Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 7 September 2004, and he remains an enemy combatant.


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