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

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Transfer Out of DoD Control (TRO) for Guantanamo  
Detainee, ISN US9SA-000368DP (S)

### JTF-GTMO Detainee Assessment

#### 1. (S//NF) Personal Information:

- JDIMS/NDRC Reference Name: Bin Abdul Aga Hakim
- Aliases and Current/True Name: Umran Bakr Muhammad  
Hawsawi, Abu Asem
- Place of Birth: Taif, Saudi Arabia (SA)
- Date of Birth: 11 July 1974
- Citizenship: Saudi Arabia
- Internment Serial Number (ISN): US9SA-000368DP



2. (U//FOUO) Health: Detainee is in good health.

#### 3. (U) JTF-GTMO Assessment:

a. (S) Recommendation: JTF-GTMO recommends this detainee for Transfer Out of DoD Control (TRO). JTF-GTMO previously assessed detainee as Continued Detention Under DoD Control (CD) with Transfer Language on 20 January 2006.

b. (S//NF) Executive Summary: Detainee is assessed to be an al-Qaida member who traveled to Afghanistan (AF) shortly after the 11 September 2001 attacks on the US, probably to participate in hostilities against US and coalition forces. Detainee is assessed to be the brother of an al-Qaida member reportedly tasked by Usama Bin Laden (UBL) to recruit for al-Qaida in Nigeria (NI) and to conduct surveillance on US persons in Nigeria.

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**[ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS DETAINEE IS AVAILABLE IN AN SCI SUPPLEMENT.]** JTF-GTMO determined this detainee to be:

- A **MEDIUM** risk, as he may pose a threat to the US, its interests and allies.
- A **MEDIUM** threat from a detention perspective.
- Of **MEDIUM** intelligence value.

c. **(S//NF) Summary of Changes:** The following outlines changes to detainee's assessment since the last JTF-GTMO recommendation. (Changes in this assessment will be annotated by ➤ next to the footnote.)

- Added altered Saudi Arabian Passport to pocket litter.

#### 4. (U) Detainee's Account of Events:

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

**(S//NF) Prior History:** Beginning at age 15, detainee attended a school called the Charitable Committee for Memorizing the Koran in Taif. Detainee graduated at the age of 17 and subsequently taught the Koran at the same institution for a period of approximately eight years. Overlapping the same time period, detainee spent between ten and eleven years self-employed processing work visas on a piecework basis for the Saudi Ministry of Interior.<sup>1</sup> Detainee traveled to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) with his parents when he was very young and traveled alone to Azerbaijan in early 2000. Detainee speaks limited German, Urdu, and English.<sup>2</sup>

a. **(S//NF) Recruitment and Travel:** Detainee decided to travel to Afghanistan to teach the Koran to refugees. Some time shortly after 11 September 2001, detainee traveled by car from Taif to Jeddah, SA, and then by air to Damascus, Syria (SY). Four days later, detainee traveled by air to Tehran, Iran (IR) and the next day traveled by train to Mashhad, IR. Detainee remained in Mashhad for over forty days (NFI) attempting to enter Afghanistan. An individual partially identified as Abdul Munin (NFI) assisted detainee to cross into Afghanistan near Tayyebat, IR. Detainee then traveled to a refugee camp in Afghanistan approximately 50 to 60 kilometers (km) from the border.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 000368 302 01-AUG-2002, 000368 302 02-APR-2002, IIR 4 201 0569 06

<sup>2</sup> 000368 302 25-MAY-2002, 000368 302 01-AUG-2002, 000368 FM40 24-SEP-2003

<sup>3</sup> 000368 302 02-APR-2002, 000368 302 25-MAY-2002, Analyst Note: Iran officially closed its border with Afghanistan on 15 September 2001. Detainee could not recall the name of the refugee camp. Detainee is probably

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**b. (S//NF) Training and Activities:** Detainee spent five days at the refugee camp teaching the Koran to children. Though the children spoke Pashtu or Farsi and detainee only spoke Arabic, the students had memorized the Koran and detainee did not have problems teaching the students. Detainee was injured during a US air strike on the refugee camp<sup>4</sup>, and subsequently transported with other injured persons to an unidentified hospital in Quetta, Pakistan (PK) after they were denied entry into Iran. While at the hospital, detainee spoke with the Saudi Ambassador. Approximately nine to ten days later, detainee was transferred to the Saudi Red Crescent (SRC) Hospital, also in Quetta, where he surrendered his passport.<sup>5</sup>

**5. (U) Capture Information:**

**a. (S//NF)** Detainee stayed at the SRC Hospital for approximately one month. The Pakistani authorities removed detainee from the SRC Hospital and turned detainee over to US custody.<sup>6</sup>

**b. (S) Property Held:** None

- The following has been reported as being in detainee's possession when captured but is not held by JTF-GTMO:
  - Altered Saudi Arabian Passport<sup>7</sup>

**c. (S) Transferred to JTF-GTMO:** 21 January 2002

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

- Al-Qaida recruitment of fighters for duty in Afghanistan

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referencing one of several refugee camps near the Iran-Afghanistan border in the vicinity of Herat, AF, or Rabat, AF. Detainee claimed that approximately 100 to 150 people, mainly women and children, resided in his camp.

<sup>4</sup> Analyst Note: Detainee was in a partially destroyed three story building approximately 100 meters east of the encampment when he was injured by ordnance from US aircraft. The building was used as an impromptu bomb shelter. Detainee noted that the bombs only struck the building in which he sought refuge, not the civilian camp itself. See 000368 302 02-APR-2002 and 000368 302 25-MAY-2002.

<sup>5</sup> IIR 4 201 0569 06, 000368 302 01-AUG-2002, 000368 302 25-MAY-2002

<sup>6</sup> IIR 4 201 0569 06, 000368 302 25-MAY-2002, Analyst Note: It is assessed that the hospital was the Maccah Mukarrama Hospital (MMH), owned by the Saudis. The hospital is run by the Saudi Red Crescent and has been overseen by Ibrahim Subhi. See IIR 7 738 0010 05.

<sup>7</sup> >000368 FM40 24-SEP-2003, 000368 302 02-APR-2002, Analyst Note: The reports do not indicate if the passport was translated.

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**6. (S//NF) Evaluation of Detainee's Account:** Detainee's accounts concerning his activities have been inconsistent and the detainee's credibility is assessed to be low. Detainee initially claimed he went to UAE only once with his parents when he was young. Later, he claimed he traveled to UAE three to four times with his family to buy clothes and for vacation; he also subsequently claimed to have traveled there three to four times with his family to sell clothes and furniture.<sup>8</sup> Detainee could not name the refugee camp in Afghanistan where he taught, nor could he identify a leader of the camp.<sup>9</sup> Detainee's statement that he never saw a weapon in Afghanistan is highly suspect given that firearms were routinely carried openly in Afghanistan during his time there.<sup>10</sup>

**7. (U) Detainee Threat:**

**a. (S) Assessment:** Detainee is assessed to be 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 assessed to be an al-Qaida member who traveled to Afghanistan shortly after 11 September 2001, probably to participate in hostilities against US and coalition forces. Detainee is assessed to be the brother of an al-Qaida member reportedly tasked by UBL to recruit for al-Qaida in Nigeria and to conduct surveillance on US persons in Nigeria.

- (S//NF) Interrogations of detainees in foreign government custody have identified detainee and individuals assessed to be his brothers as members of al-Qaida.
  - (S//NF) When questioned about his family, interrogators have noted that detainee attempts to change the topic of conversation.<sup>11</sup> However, detainee identified his brothers as Ibrahim, Fahd, Umar, Muhammad, Harran, Abd Basit, and Jihad.<sup>12</sup>
    - (S//NF) Nigerian national and al-Qaida operative Adnan Ibrahim Harun Adam al-Damaqrawi aka (Spin Ghul) identified Umran, a Saudi national of Nigerian origin, and Umran's brother Abdallah Haydara as al-Qaida members whom Spin Ghul had known when Spin Ghul lived in Saudi Arabia. According to Ghul, Umran was detained by US forces and was at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.<sup>13</sup>

<sup>8</sup> 000368 302 02-APR-2002, 000368 302 25-MAY-2002, 000368 FM40 24-SEP-2003

<sup>9</sup> 000368 302 02-APR-2002, 000368 302 25-MAY-2002

<sup>10</sup> 000368 302 01-AUG-2002

<sup>11</sup> 000368 SIR 27-DEC-2004

<sup>12</sup> 000368 SIR 22-APR-2004, Analyst Note: A variant of Ibrahim is Abraham. A variant of Fahd is Fahad. A variant of Muhammad is Muhammed. A variant of Harran is Harron. A variant of Abd is Abdul. A variant of Jihad is Jehad.

<sup>13</sup> TD-314/37801-05, paragraph 9; CIR 316-19331-05, paragraph E

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(Analyst Note: Umran is assessed to be detainee, and Abdallah Haydara is assessed to be detainee's brother, although it is unclear whether he is one of the brothers whom detainee listed in interrogations.)

- (S//NF) Spin Ghul also noted that Saudi authorities had detained Saudi al-Qaida members known as Umar and Fahd, who were also brothers. Spin Ghul remarked that these two individuals were al-Qaida members since approximately 1995.<sup>14</sup> (Analyst Note: These brothers are assessed to be detainee's brothers Umar and Fahd.)
- (S//NF) The Saudi Arabian Ministry of Interior General Directorate of Investigations (Mabahith) debriefed another of detainee's assessed brothers, Umar Bakr Muhammad Husawi, in September 2002.<sup>15</sup>
  - (S//NF) The Mabahith believed that one of Umar's brothers, also assessed to be linked to Umar's activities on behalf of al-Qaida, is a detainee at the US detention facility in Guantanamo Bay.<sup>16</sup> (Analyst Note: This is likely a reference to detainee.)
  - (S//NF) Umar stated that a Yemeni al-Qaida member (NFI) had approached him and asked him to conduct a mission on al-Qaida's behalf. Umar agreed to travel to Afghanistan to meet with UBL.<sup>17</sup> In this meeting, which took place sometime in 2001, UBL stated that he wanted to have more Nigerians in al-Qaida and asked Umar to return to Nigeria to recruit Nigerian Muslims into the movement. UBL also asked Umar to collect information on US persons in Nigeria.<sup>18</sup> (Analyst Note: Detainee was working in Nigeria when his assessed brother Umar returned with UBL's instructions to recruit Nigerian Muslims. The timing of detainee's decision to travel to Afghanistan likely indicates that Umar recruited detainee based on UBL's instructions.)
- (S//NF) Detainee possessed a passport containing altered passport stamps when he entered the SRC Hospital. CITF assessed that the presence of the altered stamps in detainee's passport indicates a possible affiliation with al-Qaida.<sup>19</sup>
- (S//NF) Detainee's account is similar to other detainees who were also at SRC Hospital in Quetta. (Analyst Note: Although elements of these stories may be true, the close similarity between them also indicates possible shared covered stories.)
  - (S) Said Ali Jabir al-Khathim al-Shihri, ISN US9SA-000372DP (SA-372), reported that he was rendered unconscious when an explosion occurred while he was taking supplies to a refugee camp five kilometers from the Afghanistan-Pakistan

<sup>14</sup> TD-314/37801-05, paragraph 10

<sup>15</sup> TD-314/38054-02, Analyst Note: In 000368 SIR 22-APR-2004, detainee stated he has a brother named Umar.

<sup>16</sup> TD-314/38054-02, paragraph 4

<sup>17</sup> TD-314/38054-02, paragraph 2

<sup>18</sup> TD-314/38054-02, paragraph 3

<sup>19</sup> 000368 FM40 24-SEP-2003

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border between Spin Buldak, AF, and Quetta. When he regained consciousness, he was in a hospital in Quetta. Similar to detainee, SA-372 reported that the Saudi Ambassador spoke to him in the hospital and stated that he would transfer SA-372 and the other Saudi Arabian men at the hospital to the Saudi hospital in Quetta (the SRC Hospital). SA-372 claimed he was transferred with four other Saudis in separate ambulances with police escorts.<sup>20</sup>

○ (S//NF) Ahmad Mohammed al-Marzouq, ISN US9EG-000369DP (EG-369), like detainee, claimed that he was wounded during a US air strike, taken to an unidentified Quetta hospital, and eventually transferred to the SRC Hospital.<sup>21</sup>

- (S//NF) In July 2002, a Saudi government delegation visited JTF-GTMO and interviewed detainee. The Saudi delegation assessed the detainee as being of low intelligence and law enforcement value to the US, and unlikely to pose a terrorist threat to the US or its interests. The Saudi delegation indicated that the Government of Saudi Arabia would be willing to take custody of detainee for possible prosecution as soon as the US determined it no longer wanted to hold him.<sup>22</sup>

c. (U//FOUO) **Detainee's Conduct:** Detainee is assessed to be a **MEDIUM** threat from a detention perspective. Detainee's overall behavior has been non-compliant but not recently hostile toward the guard force and staff. Detainee currently has 36 Reports of Disciplinary Infraction listed in DIMS, with the most recent occurring on 7 March 2007, when he was reported insulting a linguist while being shackled. Other incidents for which the detainee has been disciplined include assault, unauthorized communications, damage to government property, failure to follow instructions and camp rules, inciting and participating in mass disturbances, and possession of food and non-weapon type contraband. Detainee has a total of eight Reports of Disciplinary Infraction for assault with the most recent occurring on 12 January 2004, when he threw his breakfast at the guards. In 2006, detainee had seven Reports of Disciplinary Infraction and three reports so far in 2007.

#### 8. (U) Detainee Intelligence Value Assessment:

a. (S) **Assessment:** Detainee is assessed to be of **MEDIUM** intelligence value. Detainee's most recent interrogation session occurred on 1 February 2007.

b. (S//NF) **Placement and Access:** Detainee had direct access to al-Qaida operatives and recruiters in Nigeria. The individual Umar, assessed as detainee's brother, admittedly accepted a mission from UBL to recruit Muslims and conduct surveillance on US persons in

<sup>20</sup> 000372 MFR 13-NOV-2002

<sup>21</sup> 000369 302 23-SEP-2002

<sup>22</sup> TD-314/30789-02, paragraph 2.61

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Nigeria. Detainee was likely recruited by his brother and was possibly involved in assisting his brother in these activities. Detainee claimed he was in Afghanistan for less than a week before his injury and subsequent evacuation; however, there is no additional reporting to confirm or refute his time, associates, or activities in Afghanistan.

**c. (S//NF) Intelligence Assessment:** Detainee's story is full of inconsistencies and he has provided no specific verifiable details of his travel to Afghanistan or the circumstances surrounding his injuries. Detainee has not provided any information beyond his cover story; however, his assessed associations indicate he probably possesses significant information not yet exploited. Detainee can probably provide dated information on al-Qaida activities in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, and Nigeria. Additionally, detainee may be able to provide biographic information on the other individuals who were at the SRC Hospital prior to his capture. Detainee is assessed to be the al-Qaida member who was identified by known al-Qaida operative Spin Ghul and Saudi authorities.

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

- Involvement of detainee's family with al-Qaida
- Al-Qaida recruitment and operations in Nigeria
- Ingress routes and facilitation from Saudi Arabia to Afghanistan
- Saudis collocated at the SRC Hospital

**9. (S) EC Status:** Detainee's enemy combatant status was reassessed on 20 October 2004, and he remains an enemy combatant.



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\* Definitions for intelligence terms used in the assessment can be found in the Joint Military Intelligence College October 2001 guide *Intelligence Warning Terminology*.