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Raymond Bonner v. FBI and CIA

Civil Action No.: 21-cv-02166

FOIPA Request No.: 1482931-000

Subject: Zubaydah, Abu

Dear Mr. Schulz:

The FBI has completed its final review of records subject to the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) that are responsive to your request. The enclosed documents were reviewed under the FOIPA, Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Below you will find checked boxes under applicable statutes for the exemptions asserted to protect information exempt from disclosure. The appropriate exemptions are noted on the processed pages next to redacted information. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted to indicate where pages were withheld entirely pursuant to applicable exemptions. An Explanation of Exemptions is enclosed to further explain justification for withheld information.

Section 552

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50 U.S.C. Section 3024(i)(1)

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31 pages were reviewed and 31 pages are being released.

Please see the paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request and the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.

Enclosed is a revised copy of Bates pages FBI(21-cv-2166)-9, FBI(21-cv-2166)-13 through 14, FBI(21-cv-2166)-22 through 23, FBI(21-cv-2166)-25, FBI(21-cv-2166)-33, FBI(21-cv-2166)-37, FBI(21-cv-2166)-46 through 47, FBI(21-cv-2166)-50, FBI(21-cv-2166)-52, FBI(21-cv-2166)-54 through 55, FBI(21-cv-2166)-92 through 94, FBI(21-cv-2166)-96, FBI(21-cv-2166)-103 through 106, FBI(21-cv-2166)-110, FBI(21-cv-2166)-120, FBI(21-cv-2166)-123 through 124, FBI(21-cv-2166)-127 through 128, FBI(21-cv-2166)-131, FBI(21-cv-2166)-151, and FBI(21-cv-2166)-154.

As a result of having completed consultation with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), excisions were made by the CIA pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552, subsections (b)(1) and (b)(3), National Security Act of 1947 and the CIA Act of 1949. Enclosed is a copy of the CIA's explanation of exemptions. The CIA official responsible for the CIA's determination is Michael Lavergne, Information and Privacy Coordinator. You have the right to appeal their decision by addressing your appeal to the CIA Information Review Committee, Washington, D.C. 20505. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

Please refer to the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for additional standard responses applicable to your request. "Part 1" of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. "Part 2" includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records about yourself or any third party individuals. "Part 3" includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

Although your request is in litigation, we are required by law to provide you the following information:

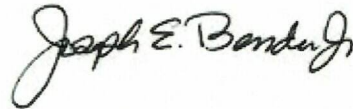
If you are not satisfied with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website:

<https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days of the date of this response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by emailing the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison at foipaquestions@fbi.gov. The subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Please direct any further inquiries about this case to the Attorney representing the Government in this matter. Please use the FOIPA Request Number and/or Civil Action Number in all correspondence or inquiries concerning your request.

Sincerely,



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Information Management Division

Enclosures

FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum provides information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes standard responses that apply to requests for records about individuals to the extent your request seeks the listed information. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records, searches, and programs.

Part 1: The standard responses below apply to all requests:

- (i) **5 U.S.C. § 552(c).** Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIPA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c)]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIPA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the www.fbi.gov/foia website.
- (ii) **Intelligence Records.** To the extent your request seeks records of intelligence sources, methods, or activities, the FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and as applicable to requests for records about individuals, PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC § 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that any such records do or do not exist.

Part 2: The standard responses below apply to all requests for records on individuals:

- (i) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.
- (ii) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Witness Security Program Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could identify any participant in the Witness Security Program pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(3), 18 U.S.C. 3521, and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.
- (iii) **Requests for Confidential Informant Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of confidential informant records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), and (b)(7)(F) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552 (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), and (b)(7)(F)] and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. § 552a (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records would reveal confidential informant identities and information, expose law enforcement techniques, and endanger the life or physical safety of individuals. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

Part 3: General Information:

- (i) **Record Searches and Standard Search Policy.** The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching systems, such as the Central Records System (CRS), or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. The CRS is an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled by the FBI per its law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization, comprising records of FBI Headquarters, FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide; Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records are included in the CRS. The standard search policy is a search for main entity records in the CRS. Unless specifically requested, a standard search does not include a search for reference entity records, administrative records of previous FOIPA requests, or civil litigation files.
 - a. *Main Entity Records* – created for individuals or non-individuals who are the subjects or the focus of an investigation
 - b. *Reference Entity Records* – created for individuals or non-individuals who are associated with a case but are not known subjects or the focus of an investigation
- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) **Foreseeable Harm Standard.** As amended in 2016, the Freedom of Information Act provides that a federal agency may withhold responsive records only if: (1) the agency reasonably foresees that disclosure would harm an interest protected by one of the nine exemptions that FOIA enumerates, or (2) disclosure is prohibited by law (5 United States Code, Section 552(a)(8)(A)(i)). The FBI considers this foreseeable harm standard in the processing of its requests.
- (iv) **Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets.** The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheet. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks. Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at www.edo.cjis.gov. For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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(b)(3) NatSecAct

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(TS) At early morning hours April 2002, Abu Zubaydah's health deteriorated significantly. Doctor stated Subject was suffering from a high fever accompanied with a bad case of pneumonia. Infection appears to be spreading all over Abu Zubaydah's body. SA's Soufan and Guadin were both present by Abu Zubaydah's bed side and attempted to comfort him.

(b)(1)
(b)(3) NatSecAct

(TS) Doctor did everything possible to treat his situation and carried out all available procedures.

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(b)(3) NatSecAct

(b)(1)
(b)(3) NatSecAct

(TS) Subject realized his situation was deteriorating. He stated he was "very sick... and going to die." SA Soufan comforted Subject and told him "everything will be OK," and "Doctors are doing everything possible to make him better." Subject responded "I hope so," then closed his eyes. Tears were observed coming out of both eyes, and stated "I don't want to die!"

(b)(1)
(b)(3) NatSecAct

(TS) SA Soufan explained in Arabic all procedures doctors were conducting. Subject was cooperative with doctors and very worried about his health status.

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b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S//NF) Subject stated that Al-Qaida has their own operations to facilitate travel and operational requirement for upcoming attack. When asked who does he think is handling the facilitation of the upcoming attacks in Pakistan [] or America, Subject responded []. Subject advised that [] is from the Gulf [] area and his aka is [] (S)

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S//NF) Subject stated the last time he saw [] was in []. Subject advised [] was with [] (S)

(S)

[] Subject met with them and they were planning to escape out of Afghanistan. Subject stated they were discussing their options, either staying in Pakistan, or travelling to Iran [] travelling to Sudan. Subject added that they don't have any other solutions. Subject claim to be unaware of [] what they decided on. Subject stated the circumstances of his meeting with the above mentioned individuals [] (S)

[] is a long story. Subject requested if you can only wait until I can talk." [] (S)

(S//NF) Subject claimed he meeting in [] took place after the month of Ramadan. (S)

(S//NF) Subject advised "years ago" mukhtar asked him for his cooperation with them, however, he added:

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I am in charge at Khalden."

(S//NF) Subject advised that he last saw [redacted] approximately 7 years ago. [redacted] is currently in Saudi Arabia. [redacted] # (telephone #) is with Subject's personal belongings in Pakistan. Subject stated he is not aware of [redacted] financial sources. b6 -2 b7C -2

(S//NF) Subject advised [redacted], aka [redacted] was coordinating the upcoming attack, as per his request. Subject stated [redacted] belongs to [redacted] Subject advised he does not have details and the issue is not very clear with him. Subject claimed he told [redacted] to coordinate the operations with [redacted] so they can fund the attacks. b1 per CIA b3 per CIA b6 -2 b7C -2 (S)

(S//NF) Subject stated he has a lot of [redacted] in his belongings because "we wanted to travel from Pakistan [redacted]" (S) b1 per CIA b3 per CIA (S)

(S//NF) (Mukhtar is probably identical to the Mukhtar on the infamous tape showing UBL and the Ramlegit Sheikh. UBL and the Sheikh both referred to Mukhtar throughout their conversation. Also Mukhtar was heard on the tape [redacted] explaining the wreckage of a destroyed aircraft. [redacted] director in Afghanistan. (S) b1 per CIA b3 per CIA (S)

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(S)

(S)(NF) Subject advised he met both [redacted] ^{one year ago} and [redacted] ^{lat} in Kandahar. Subject recalled [redacted] and [redacted] (S)

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S)

(S)(NF) Subject advised both [redacted] and [redacted] came to Afghanistan from Europe. Subject stated [redacted] came to Afghanistan from Britain and through [redacted] Reid ^{also} came from England, however he was not sure if he came "from the side" of [redacted] on [redacted] (S)

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

(S)(NF) Subject claimed [redacted] is a Qaeda member and he is sure that he took the Project. Subject does not know if [redacted] took the Project however he ~~is~~ thinks he most probably did. [redacted] attended military training @ ALFAAROUZ Camp that belongs to AL-Qaeda. (S)

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S)(NF) Subject stated he was not aware of the September 11 attacks in advance. Subject "heard" from other (NFI) brothers that three days prior to September 11, Bin Laden told his followers in Kandahar "ALLAH AKBAR, ALAH AKBAR, ALAH AKBAR --- You will be pleased with the good news." Then UBL disappeared and left Kandahar along with [redacted]

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(S)

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) [redacted] Subject claimed the
[redacted] Sericide Hijackers were all known in Afghanistan
as being Al-Qaeda members. All "brothers" @ the
guesthouses in Afghanistan and Pakistan knew the
[redacted] some of the hijackers. Subject
claimed he only knew 2 of the Hijackers,
however he needs to see their photographs to
identify them. Subject recalled he had previously
seen them in Afghanistan.

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) [redacted] Subject stated he assisted [redacted] ^{about 3 years ago} to
enter Afghanistan through Pakistan. (S) stated
[redacted] arrived from Canada and wanted to
attend the Algerian training camp in Duranta,
Jallalabad. Subject does not recall
who recommended [redacted] Nor how he
knew if his arrival to be picked up from
Pakistan. Subject stated [redacted] ^{was} the Algerians told him of [redacted] arrival to Pakistan.

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) [redacted] Subject claimed about 4 Algerians came
from Canada @ the same time [redacted] (S)
[redacted] Subject requested [redacted] (S)
from the Algerians because it is
very helpful and useful to be used [redacted] (S)

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b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) [REDACTED] "I cannot do anything." [REDACTED] got arrested because he was supposedly trying to help in carrying out attacks. [REDACTED] Subject advised [REDACTED] had a computer center [REDACTED] and was helping with Islamic propaganda and Jihad public Relations. Also he had explosive manuals and different "strange" things on his computers such as poisons.

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2
(S)

(S) Subject advised @ the time of the millennium he gave a [REDACTED] to a Qaeda operative known as [REDACTED]. Subject charged [REDACTED] approximately \$100.00 for the [REDACTED]. Subject stated that he brought/purchased a plane ticket to [REDACTED] the ticket was flight [REDACTED]

(S)

Subject claimed the [REDACTED] for the ticket. Subject purchased the ticket because [REDACTED] was @ his guesthouse in Islamabad and usually he does not allow those in the guesthouse to leave except to their destination.

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) Subject claimed he was not aware at the [REDACTED] (S) [REDACTED] was travelling to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) ~~(S)~~ Subject advised [redacted]

(S)

[redacted]

[redacted]

Subject also advised

(S)

Mukhtar is [redacted]

[redacted]

(S) ~~(S)~~ Subject stated Mukhtar is approximately 34 years old [redacted]

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S)

[redacted]

(Subject identified a photo known to investigators as of Khalid Sheikh Muhammad to be of Mukhtar.) Subject advised he saw a photo of Mukhtar on the internet because he is wanted by the Americans.

(S) ~~(S)~~ Subject advised the Mukhtar is related to "Boze of Rangi" now is in jail in America. Subject is not aware of the real identity (name) of Mukhtar. [redacted]

(S)

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b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

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(S//NF) The evacuation included both Al-Qaeda and non-Qaeda members because "everybody starts to work jointly after the American strikes." Subject assisted with the evacuation and was one of the last to leave BARMAL."

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) (S//NF) The evacuation plan included moving Mujahideen from [REDACTED] BANU by cars to Pakistani cities. The Mujahideen were distributed in houses in LAHORE, Peshawar, KARACHI and other Pakistani cities. The Houses and transportation were provided by [REDACTED]. The security of the houses was also provided by [REDACTED] operating.

(S)

(S//NF) Subject advised "it came to their (NFI) attention" that some "problems" are to be expected in LAHORE which lead to spreading of the "brothers" who were placed in LAHORE into other cities such as FAISALABAD.

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S//NF) Subject claimed the "evacuated operators" were (S) residing in houses provided by [REDACTED]. Subject added, "if someone knows the door a [REDACTED] Pakistani opens the door and check it out."

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(S//NF) Subject stated that he continued to be in contact with [redacted] Subject stated [redacted] came back to Afghanistan for a while, however he was unclear on the time period. Subject claimed he last contacted [redacted] requesting a [redacted] (S)

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

Subject stated he is always looking for [redacted] and he probably was asking for [redacted] for his own personal use. Subject stated [redacted] told him it is easy to obtain [redacted] (S)

(S)

[redacted] asked Subject about the situation in Afghanistan and if he or thinks it's possible to bring his family to Afghanistan. Subject responded that [redacted] has to think on his own and determine if he should bring his family to Afghanistan.

(S//NF) Subject stated he heard from the news that he (Subject) was involved with [redacted] is some plot against American in BOSNIA. Subject advised he was not aware of any such plot.

b6 -2
b7C -2

(S//NF) Subject advised he usually asks "batter" in Europe for [redacted] Subject advised Algerians, Tunisians and Moroccan, usually supply him with [redacted] (S)

[redacted] some like / buy the [redacted]

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b3 per CIA

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b3 per CIA

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~~(S//NF)~~

[redacted] and sell them to project, others donate them to the cause. Subject provides the donated [redacted] free of charge to those who need them, but charges money for [redacted] that were purchased. Subject advised the charges are the amount the money paid for [redacted]. Subject stated some of his Tunisian contacts in Italy were arrested by the Italian authorities. Subject claimed they were committing credit card fraud and thefts to generate money for this cause, 'cause the Italian the money and property of the infidels are legitimate gain.

b1 per CIA

b3 per CIA

~~(S//NF)~~

Subject advised he requested to give his [redacted] that Al-Qaeda has [redacted] of their members. [redacted] responded they need to check if those guys were really killed before giving them [redacted]. Subject claimed Al-Qaeda did not provide him with [redacted].

(S)

(S)

(S)

~~(S//NF)~~

Subject stated he did not give [redacted] nor to [redacted]. Subject advised he provided [redacted] with [redacted] to the [redacted] health [redacted]. Subject added it was [redacted] for [redacted].

(S)

(S) b1 per CIA

b3 per CIA

b6 -2

b7C -2

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(S)

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

~~(S//NF)~~ Subject [redacted] believes al-Qaeda and Bin Laden are planning retaliatory attacks against the US inside America itself. Subject insisted he has no details regarding the attack. Subject advised BIN LADEN has different groups for special operations such as Mukhtar's group, [redacted] group, [redacted] group and (UFI) others.

~~(S//NF)~~ Subject advised many of Bin Laden's body guards were arrested by the Americans after being betrayed by Pakistani spies. [redacted] was picked up by [redacted] and surrendered to the Americans. Also [redacted] the head of the security detachment of UBL was arrested along with other body guards near Peshawar. They were also given to the Americans by the Pakistanis. b6 -2
b7C -2

~~(S//NF)~~ Subject advised Bin Laden is possibly in the tribal area on the Afghan/Pakistan border. He advised it is very difficult on the BIN LADEN to hide because you cannot trust the PAKISTANIS Nor the Afghans in not surrendering him. Subject was not aware why Bin Laden's body guards were in Peshawar or escaping from Afghanistan to Pakistan. Subject advised at one point Bin Laden was in TORA BORA, but he is unaware if UBL is still there. Subject stated he heard UBL is accompanied by a group of body guards.

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(S)

(S//NF) Subject advised prior to the fall of Qandahar he, ~~was to meet~~ Saif AL-ADEL, [redacted] b1 per CIA
[redacted] b3 per CIA
Alu Mus'ah AL-ZARQAWI, [redacted] b6 -2
[redacted] b7C -2
and unknown Yemeni that could not recall, went
to meet Mullah OMAR @ his office in Qandahar.
While they were at the office of ~~Tahir~~ AGHA,
the director of Mullah OMAR's ~~office~~ office, they
were hit with a missile. The office was
destroyed and Abu Mus'ah AL-ZARQAWI and
[redacted] were ~~slightly~~ slightly injured.

(S//NF) After the missile hit all of them went to their
residence to wash up. Subject advised
[redacted] belongs to the Libyan Fighting b6 -2
Group (LFG). Abu Mus'ah AL-ZARQAWI is a b7C -2
Jordanian who is a well known Mujahid but does
not belong to any group. The unknown Yemeni
is possibly al-Qaeda member.

(S//NF) The reason behind the meeting was for the
Arabs to tell Mullah OMAR that they need to
fight and not to have Qandahar surrendered.
The meeting ~~was~~ with Mullah OMAR did not
take place.

(S//NF) Subject believes [redacted] and [redacted] b1 per CIA
[redacted] b3 per CIA
[redacted] possibly gave Bay'at to B/Mad

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(S) b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA
b6 -1, 2
b7C -1, 2

(S//NF) Subject advised the American associate
who he sent to Muckhtar for operational
purposes is married to an [redacted]
who resides in [redacted]

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(S//NF) Subject stated he planned to conduct a series of operations inside the United States. The operations are to be conducted [redacted]

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(S~~HRF~~) The plan is to put explosives @ different locations in America. [REDACTED] b1

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[REDACTED] The ^{goal} ~~purpose~~ of the ¹³ operation is to ~~to~~ cease OMMAR Abdel Rattman from jail ^{conduct} continuous attacks ^{until}.

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(S/NE) Subject discussed the plan with UBL prior to September 11. UBL advised it is a good plan, however, the logistics need to be studied. UBL advised the operation is not to be only for OMAR ABDEL RAHMAN but to include other cases.

(S//NF) Subject advised he thought about the operation when he was still in Keshanur, Pakiz's farm. He asked an Algerian known as [redacted] to study the practicality of the plan. [redacted] an explosives expert later left to Chechnya.

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(TS) (b)(1) (b)(3) NatSecAct Early morning hours (b)(1) (b)(3) NatSecAct), subject reached situation deteriorated. Doctors stated subject suffers from a high fever and a bad case of pneumonia. Infection appears to be spreading all over his body. SA Soufan and Guader were both present next to subject and comforting him.

Doctors attempted every possible treatment and procedure available at location.

(TS) (b)(1) (b)(3) NatSecAct Subject realized his health situation was not good. He stated he "is very sick" ... and he believes he was "dying." SA Soufan comforted subject by saying "everything will be OK" and doctors are doing everything possible to making him better." Subject looked at SA Soufan and responded, "I hope so," then closed his eyes. Tears were coming out of from both eyes."

(TS) (b)(1) (b)(3) NatSecAct SA Soufan explained to subject all proceeding doctors were conducting. Subject was cooperative with doctors and very worried about his health status.

~~(S//NF)~~ G/Gard has no knowledge of the
war interviewing 9/11/15

(5) ~~NE~~ 5) After we got the heart of the matter and gave an alternative ~~to~~ ^{to} us we were not allowed to go.

we got the info that we got his old lifestyle but we have the reporting we have to know for interview. So far we have been doing ok. None Person Pro in the ground is doing and we don't see any things we can do to [redacted] work at [redacted] do to [redacted] would to [redacted]

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Summary report dated [REDACTED]

(S) **CAVEAT:** Detailed below is a summary of a preliminary interview between Abu Zubaida (hereafter referred to as Subject) and FBI Agents Ali Soufan and Stephen Gaudin. Subject spoke in both Arabic and English. SA Soufan is a native Arabic speaker. Subject advised that he had no linguistic problems conversing with the agents. The interviewing agents are in the preliminary stages of report building with the subject. Subject appeared somewhat cooperative and did not exhibit any hostility towards the agents. For medical reasons associated with subject wounds and travel this day, the interview was brief and informal. We will begin more formal interview tomorrow morning after subject is better rested. This report is only a summary of today's conversions with subject and NOT a final product of an FD-302 (FBI interview report). The purpose of preparing this summary is to quickly provide information and intelligence to both CTC and FBIHQ re: subject. It is requested that this information be passed to CTC and FBIHQ Attn: A/DAD [REDACTED] and IOS [REDACTED]

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(S) At approximately [REDACTED] transported to our location an Arabic male (believed to be Abu Zubaida). Upon arrival, subject (Abu Zubaida) was examined by a medical team. The medical team advised that subject is in critical condition from his wounds. The medical team attended to the treatment of subject and provided him with medication. Subject was able and willing to speak to the interviewing agents.

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(S) Subject first identified himself as "Daoud" and then admitted to having the names ZEIN AL-ABEDEEN; ABU ZUBAIDA; ABU HURAYRAH; TAREQ; and [REDACTED]. Subject stated he was born in 1971 in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Subject attended elementary school at ABU HUNAYFAH School and intermediate schooling at UQBA BIN NAFE' School, both the city of Riyadh. Subject does not recall the name of the high school he attended, however, he advised it was also located in the city of Riyadh.

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(S) After graduating high school, he attended Karnatica (ph.) University in Maysour, India where he graduated with a two year computer science degree. Subject advised that around the age of 19 (could not recall the exact age) he departed India to attend the

(S) Khaldan Camp in Afghanistan for military training. Subject advised [REDACTED] was the Emir of the camp at that time. Subject attended the camp for approximately four months where he "tried to learn everything he could." At

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(S) KHALDAN subject chose the alias [REDACTED] for himself.

(S) After training he left for jihad in Gardez Afghanistan where he participated in the fighting against the Afghani communists such as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

(S) Subject advised that he received \$100,000 from [REDACTED] in Saudi Arabia. [REDACTED] Subject stated he met [REDACTED] back in [REDACTED] during the Jihad and has sustained a relationship with him. Subject stated that purpose of the money (above) was to sponsor a series of attacks to be conducted in Palestine because (quote) "we do not want to live without dignity and do nothing about it." (end quote)

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Please send the following information as a tear-line to FBIHQ (attn: A/DAD for Counter Terrorism [REDACTED] and IOS [REDACTED] and CTC.

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Caveat: The draft report below is a summary of interview(s) conducted with Abu Zubaida this day by FBI Agents Ali Soufan and Stephen Gaudin. This draft report is not to be considered a finalized FBI form FD-302 (Report of Interview). This draft report is being prepared for and transmitted to both CTC and FBIHQ in an effort to provide timely intelligence and other information pertaining to current and future threats regarding interviews with Abu Zubaida (hereafter referred to as subject).

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During the early morning hours [REDACTED] subject's health deteriorated significantly. The doctor stated subject has a high fever, infections appears to be spreading through his body and may possibly have pneumonia. FBI agents Stephen Gaudin and Ali Soufan were both present by subject's bedside attempting to comfort him and trying to assure him that he was going to be "OK."

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The medical team did everything possible to treat subject's situation and carried out all available procedures [REDACTED] It was decided that subject has to be transported to a hospital for more intensive care.

It was evident to both FBI agents that subject realized his medical condition was deteriorating. Subject stated that he was very sick and going to die. The FBI agents continued to comfort subject, holding his hands, advising him the doctors were doing everything they could to help him and that he was going to be OK. Subject stated "I hope so" (tears were observed coming from his eyes). Subject then stated that "I don't want to die."

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Subject's condition deteriorated to the point that emergency medical attention had to be applied and demanded that we make necessary plans to move him to a hospital [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] "intubate" subject in order to assist his breathing. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Subject was soon thereafter put into an ambulance and moved to a [REDACTED] hospital, where he was put in the ICU. At this point subject is on "life support" systems and being fully attended to by [REDACTED] ICU staff. Until subject's condition improves interviews can not be conducted (as he is still intubated). However subject does wake up from time to time. FBI agents are staying at subject's side to comfort subject (so he sees a familiar face) and to continue to build rapport with subject. Doctors advise that subject could come off his intubations tube any time now and the FBI agents want to be in a position to speak to subject whenever he is able.

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While the medical team was attending to subject, SA Soufan explained in Arabic to subject all the procedures the medical team was conducting. Subject was cooperating with the medical team and appeared worried about his health status.

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Please send the following information as a tear-line to FBIHQ (attn: A/DAD for Counter Terrorism [redacted] and IOS [redacted]) This report has been prepared by [redacted] FBI Agents Ali Soufan and Stephen Gaudin.

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Caveat: This draft report is not to be considered a finalized FBI form FD-302 (Report of interview). Abu Zubaida (hereafter referred to as subject) provided the following information this day:

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Subject advised he last met both [redacted] and [redacted] approximately one year ago in Qandahar, Afghanistan. [redacted] and [redacted]

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Subject advised both [redacted] and [redacted] came to Afghanistan from Europe. Subject stated [redacted] came to Afghanistan from Britain in a trip recommended by [redacted] REID also came from England, however he was not sure if he was sent by [redacted] or [redacted] (S)

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Subject advised [redacted] is AL-QAEDA member and he is sure that he gave the bayat to BIN LADEN. Subject does not know if [redacted] took the bayat, however he thinks he most probably did. [redacted] attended military training in AL-FAROUQ camp that belongs to AL-QAEDA.

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Subject stated he had no advance knowledge of the September 11 attacks. Subject "heard" from other (NFI) "brothers" that three days prior to September 11, BIN LADEN told his followers in Qandahar "ALLAHU AKBAR, ALLAHU AKBAR, ALLAHU AKBAR, you will be pleased with the good news." Then BIN LADEN disappeared and left Qandahar along with [redacted] Subject claimed all suicide hijackers were known by the mujahideen in Afghanistan to be AL-QAEDA members.

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Subject claimed he only knew of two of the hijackers because he saw them during their presence in Afghanistan. Subject advised he would need to see their photographs in order to identify them.

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Subject stated he assisted [redacted] about five years ago to enter Afghanistan through Pakistan. Subject stated [redacted] arrived from Canada to attend the Algerian training camp (Durantra) in Jallalabad. Subject does not recall who recommended [redacted] or how he (subject) knew of [redacted] arrival to Pakistan. Subject assumed that possibly the Algerians contacted him (Subject) regarding [redacted] arrival to Pakistan. Subject claimed four other Algerians also came from Canada at the same time of [redacted] Subject requested [redacted] from the four Algerians because such passports are useful and helpful [redacted]

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(S) Subject claimed he was unaware of [redacted] intentions to conduct an attack in the United States. (S)

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(S) Subject advised he assisted [redacted] to enter Afghanistan for training approximately three years ago. Subject claimed [redacted] was only interested in specialized explosive training and requested to be taken to [redacted] camp. (S)

(S) [redacted] wanted to learn about explosive manufacturing and remote control detonation. (S)

(S) [redacted] intended to conduct operations in [redacted] however, subject was (S)
(S) [redacted] unaware of the details regarding these operations. Subject stated [redacted] was a friend of (S)

(S) [redacted] however he is not aware if [redacted] was involved with [redacted] operational plans. Subject stated [redacted] is not a member of AL-QAEDA. (S)

(S) Subject stated he knows [redacted] is a friend of [redacted] Both [redacted] and [redacted] are currently incarcerated in [redacted] Subject met [redacted] once in Afghanistan while he [redacted] was accompanying [redacted] (S)

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(S) Subject advised that [redacted] is a "simple man," who "always wants to do something but cannot do anything." [redacted] got arrested because he was supposedly trying to assist in carrying-out attacks [redacted] (S)

(S) Subject advised [redacted] had a computer center [redacted] and used to help in the field of Islamic propaganda and public relations matters concerning Jihad. [redacted] also had explosive manuals and different "strange things" on his computer such as topics that range from poisons to explosives. (S)

(S) Subject advised at the time of the millennium he provided a [redacted] to an AL-QAEDA operative known as [redacted] (S)

(S) [redacted] Subject charged [redacted] \$1000 (one thousand American Dollars) for the passport. [redacted] gave the subject money to purchase him a plane ticket from [redacted] Subject purchased the ticket (S)

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(S) because [redacted] was staying at his guesthouse in Islamabad. The regulations of the guesthouse prevent those visiting of going outside in order to keep a low profile. (S)

(S) Subject claimed he was not aware of the reasons [redacted] wanted to travel through [redacted] and [redacted] however he stated it is probably because he did not want to fly directly to [redacted] Karachi, Pakistan. Subject recalled [redacted] final destination in [redacted] was [redacted] Subject recalled [redacted] was accompanying [redacted] Subject obtained [redacted] for both [redacted] and [redacted] (S)

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(S) Subject then arranged for both to travel from Islamabad to Karachi. (S)
(S) Subject does not recall if he himself drove [redacted] and [redacted] to Karachi or whether they were taken by someone else. (S)

(S) Subject stated that [redacted] was possibly going to [redacted] or [redacted] with [redacted] Subject stated he assisted [redacted] in coordinating his trip to [redacted] with some [redacted] brothers." The [redacted] brothers" were residing in [redacted] Subject claimed he knew [redacted] from [redacted] (S)

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(S) the time he assisted them to enter Afghanistan from Pakistan for military training. Subject did not recall the names or the aliases of the "brothers" in [redacted] (S)

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(S) Subject was unaware of any operations to be conducted by [redacted] or the [redacted] brothers in [redacted] Subject advised [redacted] was not able to return to Saudi Arabia for security reasons, and thus he wanted to go to [redacted] (S)

Subject stated he knows of [redacted] Subject described [redacted] as a veteran Mujahid [redacted] to Mujahideen possibly from Saudi Arabia. [redacted]

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(S) Subject advised [redacted] is a "brother" who works in the field of humanitarian relief. [redacted] helps the orphans and families of Arab martyrs in Peshawar, Pakistan. Subject claimed the last time he saw [redacted] was approximately one year ago. (S)

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(S) Subject stated [redacted] was in Pakistan. Subject described [redacted] as an independent movie producer. [redacted] Subject stated he had previously assisted [redacted] in [redacted] (S)

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(S) Subject was not aware of the identity of those who carried out the USS Cole attack. Subject claimed he did not have an advanced knowledge of the attack. Subject heard for other individuals (NFI) that BIN LADEN was behind the USS COLE attack. Subject stated it is well known to everyone that BIN LADEN was responsible for the attack. (S)

(S) Subject stated he was aware of two guesthouses in Afghanistan that were named [redacted] Subject claimed [redacted] is a major guesthouse in Afghanistan and constantly receives new recruits after their arrival for Pakistan. Subject is unaware the reason the two guesthouses were named [redacted] Subject stated both guesthouses belong to Al-QAEDA. (S)

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Subject claimed he heard of the name [redacted] but does not recall who he is. Subject stated he is unaware of the identity of [redacted]

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Subject advised he received an injury in his head in approximately 1993. The injury resulted from shrapnel caused by a howitzer round. Subject stated the injury occurred while he was fighting with the mujahideen against Dr. Najibullah in Afghanistan. As a result of the injury, subject claimed he lost his memory for approximately two years. Subject claimed he "even forgot" his mother's name and how she looks. He also forgot his own Arabic name. Subject claimed the memory loss affected him tremendously. He forgot many things including all what he learned during his studies in the field of computer science.

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Subject stated there are no definite plans regarding the attacks in Israel. Subject stated he did not have the chance to meet with the unidentified Palestinian group [redacted]

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(S) [redacted] which was to undertake the attack.

Subject stated [redacted] aka [redacted] is currently in [redacted] Iran [redacted]
[redacted] left for Iran approximately three months ago. Subject was to meet the

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(S) [redacted] in Iran after [redacted] coordinated the meeting.

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Subject advised he was thinking about hitting military targets in Israel because the religious scholars disagree about killing women and children. Subject insisted he did not have any specific targets in mind since it was the role of the (unidentified) Palestinians.
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Please send the following information as a tear-line to FBIHQ (attn: A/DAD for Counter Terrorism [REDACTED] and IOS [REDACTED] This report has been prepared by [REDACTED] FBI Agents Ali Soufan and Stephen Gaudin.

(S) **Caveat:** This draft report is not to be considered a finalized FBI form FD-302 (Report of interview). Abu Zubaida (hereafter referred to as subject) provided the following information this day:

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(S) Subject advised that he "believes" that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are planning "retaliatory attacks" against the United States. Subject stated that these attacks are to take place inside America, but he (subject) is unaware of the details as to where or when the attacks will occur. Subject "developed these beliefs" when he last saw [REDACTED] and other Al-Qaeda operatives in [REDACTED] about two months ago.

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(S) (Note: previous interviews with subject [REDACTED] determined that MUKHTAR is Khallid Sheikh Mohammed [REDACTED] Subject also advised that [REDACTED]

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(S) Subject claimed that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are being assisted by other Al-Qaeda operatives (NFI). Subject advised that [REDACTED]

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(S) [REDACTED] were all present at [REDACTED] when subject last saw [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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(S) Subject claimed that all of the above mentioned operatives departed [REDACTED] for areas inside Pakistan, most likely Karachi. Subject advised that he has assisted Al-Qaeda operatives to evacuate Afghanistan. This evacuation plan was implemented by [REDACTED]

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(S) [REDACTED] This evacuation plan included both Al-Qaeda members and non-Al-Qaeda members as "everybody started to work jointly after the US air strikes." Subject advised that he was one of the last to leave Barmal during the evacuation. Subject stated that "mujahideen" were moved from [REDACTED] to the [REDACTED] "Banu" via cars. The mujahideen were then dispersed to safe houses in Lahore, Peshawar, Karachi and other Pakistani cities. The safe houses and transportation for these moves was provided by [REDACTED]

(S) Operatives of [REDACTED] also provided security at the safe houses.

Subject stated that "it came to their attention (NFI) that some problems were to be expected in Lahore, which lead to the spreading out of the brothers who were initially brought from Afghanistan to Lahore and then eventually on to other cities such as Faisalabad."

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Subject claimed the "evacuated Arabs" were residing in houses provided by [REDACTED] Subject advised "if someone knocked on the door, a [REDACTED] Pakistani opens the door to check it out."

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While in [redacted] subject assisted in the evacuation of the Arab Mujahideen to Pakistan. The Mujahideen were transported via cars from [redacted] Pakistan, and then to other Pakistani cities.

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Subject met many of the leadership of al-Qaeda at [redacted] to include [redacted]. Subject stated [redacted] was wanted by the Americans and thus [redacted] was arranging his travel to Pakistan and from there to possibly outside Pakistan.

Subject advised most of the al-Qaeda leadership left to Karachi because it is a big city, which makes it easy to hide. Subject advised al-Qaeda arranged their own accommodations in Karachi. Subject is not aware where the al-Qaeda leadership is staying in Karachi.

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Subject advised [redacted] left [redacted] with [redacted] and other Egyptians.

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Subject stated he did not go to Karachi because everybody else went there which can create problems in the city.

Subject added many of the Mujahideen "gave bay'at to death." Subject explained they would rather die than get arrested. Subject stated he himself "gave bay'at to death" and he prefer to die than get arrested. Subject advised he always carried two hand grenades on him to be detonated if he was to be arrested by the Pakistanis. Subject stated that after he last arrived from Afghanistan to Pakistan, he preferred not to carry weapons and that's why he is still alive.

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Subject advised that he met BIN LADEN prior to the month of Ramadan in Khost. [redacted] accompanied BIN LADEN. BIN LADEN told subject that the Americans will strike soon and Kabul and Qandahar will probably fall, but "they" will fight on a later time.

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Subject stated BIN LADEN spoke at length of the September 11 attacks. BIN LADEN believes the casualties of the attacks against the World trade Center is 50,000 (fifty thousands) and not 3,000 (three thousands) as the US claims.

Subject advised the fourth plane was going to strike the American Congress. Subject stated, "he heard" the attack was to be directed against Congress, however, he does not recall from whom.

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Subject stated the idea of September 11 was conceived by MUKHTAR and his group. The idea was initially to attack the targets using small [redacted] aircrafts. The idea then was expanded to fill the [redacted] aircrafts with explosives in order to inflict greater damage. When MIKHATR proposed the idea to BIN LADEN for approval, BIN LADEN asked "why do you use an ax if you can use a bulldozer." Subject advised BIN LADEN used this analogy because of his experience in the field of construction. Subject added, BIN LADEN's input altered the original plan to what actually occurred on September 11.

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and the Serbs in Bosnia. Subject claims the victims are to be kidnapped from wherever available. The victims can even be hired prostitutes lured into isolated locations and then slaughtered. The slaughtering part will be video taped and broadcasted over the Internet to put fear in the hearts of the American people. Subject claimed to be unaware of the identity of those who kidnapped and killed the journalist Daniel Pearl. He stated he only heard about the kidnapping in the media.

Subject believes al-Qaeda and BIN LADEN are planning retaliatory attacks against the United States inside America itself. Subject insisted he has no details regarding the attack. Subject advised BIN LADEN has different groups for special operations such as MUKHTAR's group, [redacted] group, and many others (NFI).

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Subject advised many of BIN LADEN's bodyguards were arrested by the Americans after being betrayed by the Pakistani tribes. [redacted] was picked-up in Queta by Pakistanis and surrendered to the Americans. Also [redacted] the head of BIN LADEN's personal security detachment, was arrested along with a number of BIN LADEN's bodyguards. They were also given to the Americans by the Pakistanis. Subject was not aware why BIN LADEN's bodyguards were in Peshawar or escaping from Afghanistan to Pakistan.

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Subject advised BIN LADEN might possibly be in the Tribal Areas on the Afghani/Pakistan boarder. Subject advised it is very difficult on BIN LADEN to hide out in Afghanistan or Pakistan because neither the Pakistanis nor the Afghanis can be trusted. Subject advised that at one point BIN LADEN was in TORA BORA, but he is unaware if he is still in that area. Subject "heard" BIN LADEN is being escorted by some bodyguards. Subject is unaware of the identity of the bodyguards who are currently with BIN LADEN except of [redacted]

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Subject advised [redacted] and [redacted] stayed in Afghanistan to organize the war efforts against the United States. Many of the "brothers" were ordered out of Afghanistan to Pakistan until the situation settles down, then they will go back to Afghanistan to participate in the war. [redacted] of the Taliban mobilized the Mujahideen in Kunduz. [redacted] and ABED [redacted] are also in Kunduz. Subject advised many "brothers" are now returning to Afghanistan to join-up with the war efforts.

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Subject advised the Saudi Mujahideen are able to return back home to Saudi Arabia. Most Saudis are leaving Pakistan to Syria or Morocco where they stay for a short period of time waiting to determine if they are wanted in by the Saudi security services. Then they travel back to Saudi Arabia. Subject advised the Saudi government has not been giving any problems for the returned Mujahideen. Yemeni brothers on the other hand, are either staying in Pakistan or returning to Afghanistan because they cannot go back to Yemen. Subject advised the Yemeni government has been arresting all those who return to Yemen from Afghanistan.

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Session began at [REDACTED]

Session ended at [REDACTED]

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Subject advised prior to the fall of Qandahar the Arab Mujahideen wanted to defend the city. There was a rumor that the Taliban will surrender the city, which prompted a group of the Arab Mujahideen to request a meeting with MULLAH OMAR to discuss the situation. The group included the subject, SAIF AL-ADEL, [REDACTED] ABU MUSAB AL-ZARQAWI, [REDACTED] and an unknown Yemeni that was possibly accompanying SAIF AL-ADEL. The group visited MULLAH OMAR's secretary TAIB AGHA in order to arrange for the meeting. While they were at TAIB AGHA's house, the whole place collapsed on them as a result of an American missile.

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[REDACTED] and ABU MUSAB AL-ZARQAWI suffered minor injuries.

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Subject advised [REDACTED] assumed the leadership of al-QAEDA in Qandahar after the death of [REDACTED]. Subject stated [REDACTED] belonged to

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the Libyan Fighting Group (LFG); ABU MUSAB AL-ZARQAWI is a Jordanian veteran of the Afghani jihad who operates independently and does not belong to any group;

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[REDACTED] is the brother of [REDACTED]

As a result of the strike, the meeting with MULLAH OMAR did not take place and the attendees went their separate ways to clean-up after the missile strike. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] (Note: Subject identified the photo of AL-SHIBA as being RAMZI BIN AL-SHIBA).

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Subject advised prior to any (terrorist operation), it should be approved by BIN LADEN and his Shura Council. The Shura Council includes [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AYMAN AL-ZAWAHIRI [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED]

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Subject advised that during a meeting he attended prior to the September (11) attacks in Qandahar, BIN LADEN did not discuss the intended targets. (Subject previously advised writer [REDACTED] that he attended a meeting at the Qandahar airport that included BIN LADEN [REDACTED] AYMAN AL-ZAWAHIRI, ABU

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[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. During the meeting UBL warned the attendees of a possible American strikes against Afghanistan. Subject claims BIN LADEN did not give the reasons of the anticipated strikes. Subject did not have an answer for the reason he was in such a high level meeting that included the Shura Council with the [REDACTED] discussing anticipated American strikes prior to September 11.

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(S) [redacted] and two individuals who the subjects described as a Tunisian and a Saudi. Subject stated ABED AL-BARI, [redacted] and "his friend" the NFI Saudi stayed at another house. (S)

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b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7c -2

(S) Subject claimed a week later [redacted] moved the group again into one house that was located in Lahore. Subject advised a week later, the group moved again by [redacted] but this time to Faisalabad. (S)

Subject stated upon their arrival to the first safe house in Lahore, the group was provided by a desktop computer by [redacted] Subject claimed AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR found on an Internet site that had a recipe of building a Atomic bomb. The recipe included mixing uranium with regular explosives. Subject recalled the site as WWW.LBOMB.COM. AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR both approached the subject with the idea of manufacturing such a bomb and detonate it in the United States. Subject recalled that AL-KINI took explosive manufacturing training at possibly ABU KHABAB's camp in Afghanistan. Subject is unaware of AL-MUHAJIR's experience, if any, in the field of explosives. (S)

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b3 per CIA

Subject claimed he was suspicious if the Internet formula to manufacture the bomb really works. He asked AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR if the uranium has to be enriched uranium and how it will be obtained. AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR believe the formula will work. (S)

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b3 per CIA

(S) [redacted] Subject advised AL-MUHAJIR appeared to be familiar in the Washington area [redacted] (S)
(S) [redacted] volunteered to detonate the bomb himself performing a "martyrdom operation" if needed. Subject believes AL-MUHAJIR was to assist in the process but he is not to be a suicide operative. (S)

Subject claimed AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR discussed the plan with him at least three times, twice in Lahore and once in Faisalabad. Both AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR were secretive about their plan. Subject does not believe they discussed it with anyone else but him. Subject claimed AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR requested him to arrange for them a meeting with MUKHTAR in order to discuss their idea with him. Subject advised he told AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR that upon their arrival to Karachi, they can request of the person in-charge at the safe house to meet MUKHTAR. Subject advised [redacted] is in Karachi spearheading the evacuation travel to outside Pakistan for AL-QAEDA. Subject described [redacted] as a Pakistani who lived in Saudi Arabia and speaks Arabic with a Saudi dialect. Subject stated [redacted] is an associate of [redacted] and MUKHTAR in Karachi. (S)
(S) (S)

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

Subject advised the reason he sent AL-KINI and AL-MUHAJIR to MUKHTAR is because they are foreigners who hold non-Arab passports and not because of their idea of building an atomic bomb. Subject claimed he thought the idea of building an Atomic bomb is unrealistic. Subjects added there are many obstacles in conducting this operation such as the ways to obtain the enriched uranium. Subject added he sent AL-MUHAJIR

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(S) and AL-KINI to Karachi so MUKHTAR can use them for "operations" because they have [redacted] Subject claimed usually only Arab members of AL-QAEDA are willing to conduct suicide operations but it is now difficult for Arabs to move and travel freely without suspicions. Subject advised since AL-MUHAJIR and AL-KINI are non Arabs and willing to "do work," he thought they could be valuable to MUKHATR.

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

Subject advised he does not believe AL-QAEDA has uranium. Subject added, however if BIN LADEN wants to obtain uranium, it is possible to get through his (UBL) vast connections. Subject advised [redacted]

b3 -1
b7E -2

(S) Subject stated [redacted] told him on a later time that [redacted] and [redacted] were taken to [redacted] and they are currently with him [redacted] Subject advised if [redacted] considered the idea of the atomic bomb, he will discuss it with [redacted] Subject advised [redacted] is the chief bomb manufacturer for AL-QAEDA [redacted] had his own lab in Qandahar and he manufactures bomb and poisonous gases. Subject described [redacted] as 37 years old, tall, large built, brown skinned, very shy and calm, with short black hair. Subject advised [redacted] is different of [redacted] who is also chief bomb maker (not manufacturer) for AL-QAEDA.

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) When in Lahore, subject advised he contacted [redacted] in Iran and requested money. [redacted] advised he will send the money either through [redacted] or [redacted] Subject received a package delivered to him from [redacted] by a Pakistani who speaks Gulf Arabic, approximately one month prior to his arrest. The package contained \$ 30,000 (thirty thousand American dollars). Subject claimed the money was to be used to assist the families of the Mujahideen. Subject stated that he was going to take about \$10,000 or \$15,000 for his own expenses [redacted]

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b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

(S) (NOTE: Subject was unclear regarding the real reason for the money, specially he had the money for more than a month before his arrest and did not help nor assisted anyone. Instead, he stated that AL-QAEDA in Karachi was funding all relief and evacuation operations in Pakistan.)

(S) [redacted] arrest in Pakistan [redacted] and [redacted] were all escorted by [redacted] via train to Karachi. Subject advised that he gave each one approximately 5000 or 6000 Pakistan Rubia for their travel expenses from Lahore to Karachi. Subject stated the money was taken from the \$ 30,000 sent to him by [redacted] Subject advised the travelers that upon their arrival to Karachi they will be taken care of for other travel expenses. Subject stated AL-QAEDA is financing all expenses in Karachi. Subject advised [redacted] who is in-charge of the funds in AL-QAEDA is in Karachi.

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b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

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b3 per CIA
b6 -1, 2
b7C -1, 2

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Time: [REDACTED]

Investigators: Steve and Ali

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Subject advised the American associate who he sent to MUKHTAR for operational purposes is married to an [REDACTED] who resides in [REDACTED] Subject stated

[REDACTED] unsuccessfully called [REDACTED]

Subject advised [REDACTED]

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b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

(S)

Time: [REDACTED]

Investigators: [REDACTED] and Ali

Subject advised he planned to conduct a series of terrorist operations inside the United States. The purpose of the operation is to release Sheikh OMAR ABDUL RAHMAN from jail.

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Subject advised he had planned for numerous attacks via [REDACTED] bombs (NFI) until the United States releases ABDUL RAHMAN. [REDACTED]

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(NOTE: [REDACTED])

b1 per CIA
b3 -1 per FBI & CIA
b7E -3 per FBI

Subject advised he discussed the plan with BIN LADEN who thought it was a good idea, however, UBL suggested the operational logistics needed to be refined. Subject claimed BIN LADEN did not want the purpose of the sole operation to be the release of only ADBUL RAHAMAN and suggested the demand should include wider causes.

Subject claimed that he thought about the idea years ago when he was residing in Peshawar, but did not discuss it with BIN LADEN until before September 11. Subject does not recall the exact timing of his meeting with BIN LADEN regarding this operation.

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Subject stated when he first thought of the plan, he requested of [REDACTED] an Algerian associate and explosive expert to study the practicality of the idea. Subject advised the plan was to plant bombs at different locations throughout America [REDACTED]

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

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Subject explained each bomb is to be [REDACTED]

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Subject stated he recently requested [REDACTED] to study the feasibility of the plan. [REDACTED] promised to do so after he finishes training the two Saudis that were sent by [REDACTED]

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b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

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(Note: time frame of this conversation with [REDACTED] is late March 2002)

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Associates of Mukhtar (Khaild Sheikh Mohammed):

Abu Jafar Al-Tayar:

Subject advised that while in Bermal, he was approached by a Yemeni named Abu Jafar Al-Tayar. Abu Jafar asked subject if he (subject) could arrange for quicker departure from Bermal to Pakistan for he and a friend. Subject told Abu Jafar that he had to wait his turn like everyone else but Abu Jafar told subject that he and his friend had to get to Karachi because they had business with [redacted]. Subject described Abu Jafar Al-Tayar as short and stocky, black hair and dark skin; speaks very good English and may have studied in the US (and Abu Jafar's friend may also have studied in the US). One time Abu Jafar once brought a laptop computer to [redacted] and one was supposed to be for subject, but the laptop didn't make its way to subject.

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b3 per CIA

(S) [redacted]
(S) While in [redacted] subject noticed 11 [redacted] who he was told were part of [redacted] group. This group was on their way to Karachi to meet up with [redacted].
(S) One of these men (NFI) spoke very good Arabic and he would be the only one subject would be able to recognize if shown a photograph.

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

(S) [redacted]
Subject advised that [redacted] is a close associate of [redacted]. Subject believes that [redacted] is wanted by the USG but we have not yet shown him a photo of [redacted].
(S) Subject advised that while in Lahore, (Feb 2002) [redacted] delivered \$30,000 US dollars to him on behalf of [redacted] (through an arrangement between [redacted] and [redacted]).
(S) Subject further stated that the American and Kenyan he sent to Mukhtar in mid-March 2002 (as he previously told us in other reports), subject actually sent them to [redacted] and [redacted] (in Karachi), who would have then arranged for them to be taken to Mukhtar. Subject further added that when he sent the American and Kenyan to Mukhtar, he prepared a letter to Mukhtar with instructions regarding the two "brothers" (the Kenyan and the American). The letter was to be delivered to [redacted] for delivery to Mukhtar.

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b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

(S) Supplemental Information Regarding Associates of [redacted] living in the [redacted]

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b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA
b6 -2
b7C -2

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b1 per CIA
b3 per CIA

Regarding [REDACTED] (Al-Qaeda Explosive/CBRN Expert):
SUBJECT SEPARATELY PROVIDED COMMENTS ON AN EXPLOSIVES/CBRN SPECIALIST
WHO WORKS FOR AL-QA'IDA NAMED [REDACTED] WHO IS CURRENTLY
IN KARACHI AND WOULD BE IN AND AROUND [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] CROWD.
AL-QA'IDA SET THIS GUY UP WITH ALL THE LAB EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY, ETC.
THAT THIS GUY WOULD NEED. THE GOAL WAS TO DEVELOP SOME TYPE OF MUSTARD
GAS AND ANOTHER TYPE OF POISONOUS TYPE OF GAS (BUT DIDN'T THINK IT WAS
THE SAME AS THE SERIN GAS USED IN TOKYO SUBWAY, HOWEVER SUBJECT WAS NOT
SURE WHAT THE POISON GAS WAS). [REDACTED] TOLD SUBJECT THAT [REDACTED] IS "MUCH
BETTER THAN [REDACTED] WITH EXPLOSIVES AND THIS TYPE OF THINGS." (NOTE: THIS
WAS MEANT AS AN EXTREME COMPLIMENT TOWARDS [REDACTED] SKILLS.) THE LAB
THAT [REDACTED] DID HAVE WAS AT [REDACTED] WHICH SUBJECT ASSUMES IS GONE
BECAUSE OF U.S. PRESENCE. SUBJECT BELIEVES THAT [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY IN
KARACHI.

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SUBJECT DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS FOLLOWS: [REDACTED]

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b7C -2

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[REDACTED] (PROVIDED BY AL-QAEDA), AND GOT TURNED AROUND IN UAE BACK TO
PAKISTAN. WITHIN 2-3 WEEKS, THE PAKISTANI'S TURNED HIM OVER TO AL-AQAEDA.
SUBJECT BELIEVES THAT UBL MAY HAVE PERSONALLY INTERVENED TO HAVE [REDACTED]
RELEASED BECAUSE [REDACTED] IS VERY IMPORTANT TO AL-QAEDA. SUBJECT FURTHER

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DESCRIBED [REDACTED] TO BE ABOUT 40. [REDACTED] OFTEN WEARS THE WHITE SAUDI
DRESS, HE HAS [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT IS SURE THAT [REDACTED] IS IN KARACHI NOW. SUBJECT SAID THAT WERE HE
EVER TO NEED TO CONTACT [REDACTED] AND/OR ANYBODY IN KARACHI, SUBJECT WOULD
HAVE GONE THROUGH [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED] THE LATTER OF WHOM HE
BELEIVES IS WANTED [REDACTED]
IS THE SAME SCIENTIST THAT SUBJECT THOUGHT [REDACTED] WOULD HAVE USED TO RUN
THE AMERICAN (PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS JOSE PADILLA) AND [REDACTED] NUCLEAR
IDEA BY. SUBJECT DOES NOT KNOW IF THIS HAD HAPPENED, AS HE (SUBJECT) WAS
ARRESTED PRIOR TO TAKING A PLANNED TRIP TO KARACHI TO SEE [REDACTED]

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DURING THE LATTER PART OF THE DEBRIEFING, SUBJECT WAS SHOWN A NUMBER OF
PHOTOS OF INDIVIDUALS FROM THE COLE AND EMBASSY BOMBINGS [REDACTED]

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b6 -2
b7C -2
b7E -3

[REDACTED] WAS DONE IN AN EFFORT TO
GAUGE HIS WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE AND RPOVIDE DETAILS ABOUT PEOPLE, THE
LAST TIMES HE SAW THEM, WHERE THEY WERE GOING, ETC. HE APPEARED TO BE
VERY COOPERATIVE, PROVIDED DETAILS ON PEOPLE THAT WE EXPECTED HIM TO
KNOW, THE COLLECTIVE GROUPS IN WHICH THEY DEPARTED AFGHANISTAN, WHERE HE
THINKS THEY MAY NOW BE, ETC.

USS Cole Photos:

Without providing subject with any predatory questions regarding these photos, subjected
provided the following information about each photo:

[REDACTED]

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b7E -2

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