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CITF INTELLIGENCE ASSESSMENT

ISN# (b)(2) -00693DP

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Name: AHMED, ALI ABDULLAH
AKHMED, ALI ABDULLAH

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Alias (AKAs):

ABDELLA, ALI
AHMED, ALI ABDULLAH
AKHMED, ALI ABDULLAH
ALI ABDULLAH SALEH
ALI ABDULLAH, AKHMED

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Identity: Detainee is Male, born 01 AUG 79; 67 inches tall, black hair, brown eyes and has a birthmark on his right cheek. (b)(1)

Executive Summary:

AHMED, who is a 21-year old Yemeni, was born in Ibb City, Yemen and attended the Al Farooque Primary School in Ibb City, Yemen from 1985-1994. Following grade school, AHMED worked as a vendor selling fragrances and clothing in Taiz, Yemen. AHMED claims to have traveled to Pakistan in May 2001. (Abu Yasir, a senior al Qa'ida facilitator, claims he saw AHMED in Khandhar at the Abu Suhaib Guesthouse in the spring of 2000. - TD 314 4476-03). According to AHMED, he traveled to Pakistan to take religious courses at Al Salafia College, which he claimed to have studied at for approximately ten months. AHMED spent 7 months at the college dormitories and then 2-3 months at the guest house where he was arrested. (According to (b)(1),(b)(6)

(b)(1),(b)(6) AHMED went to Afghanistan and Pakistan in order to track down a cousin who was arrested due to a visa problem. According to Yasir he was attempting to put AHMED in contact with Yasir's associates, Amjad and Harith, to assist AHMED in releasing his cousin. (b)(1),(b)(2)

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Timeline:

03APR82: AHMED was born in Ibb City, Yemen (KB 302 22JUN02)

1985-1994: AHMED attended grade school at Al Farooque School in Ibb City, Yemen. (FD 302 20JUN02)

1994: AHMED worked as a clothing and fragrance salesman on Al Tahrir St. in Taiz, Yemen. (FD 302 20JUN02)

SPRING 2000: Abu Yasir (known senior al-Qa'ida facilitator) first met AHMED in the Suhayb Guesthouse (NFI) in Khandahar, AFGHANISTAN.

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MAY01: AHMED went to Pakistan. He flew from Sana'a, Yemen to Karachi, PAKISTAN so that he could attend the Al Salafia College in Faisalabad, PAKISTAN. Upon arrival in Karachi, PAKISTAN, AHMED stayed at an unidentified hotel and walked around for one week. AHMED said he then took a bus from Karachi to Faisalabad, PAKISTAN.

MAY01-JAN02: AHMED lived in the dormitory housing of Al Salafia College, while studying at the college.

APPROX. FEB02-APPROX MAY02: AHMED had been studying for 7 months at Al Salafia College before moving from the dorms to the private house (Issa Guesthouse) with several other Arabs where he was arrested by Pakistani Police. The house was owned by Al Salafia College.

APPROX MAY02: AHMED was captured at the Issa Guesthouse along with several other Yemenis who were studying at the Al Salfia College and with several individuals who were at the guesthouse for undisclosed reasons. (See Other Significant Information)

(Sources: ASP, 302 20020618)

Bona fides of detainee identity and story:

The story and timeline for AHMED do not add up. While the statements given by him generally contain consistent information, several individuals have given information about him that differs greatly. Given the limited, possibly erroneous, information the Detainee has provided it is impossible to verify either the Detainee's identity or his overall story.

Recommended RFIs/RFAs:

1. AHMED and (b)(1),(b)(6) [Redacted]
2. (b)(1) [Redacted]
3. [Redacted]

Other Significant Information:

Institutions

(b)(1) [Redacted]

(b)(1),(b)(2),(b)(6) [Redacted]

Al Salafia College – This institution appears to be one of many fundamentalist Islamic “seminaries” or madrassas located in Faisalabad. It is important to note, however, that the major university in Faisalabad is the University of Punjab. This is an agricultural university and Faisalabad itself is noted for its production of pharmaceuticals and chemical fertilizer, among other products (EC 20040319 – INTEL DIV).

AHMED explained that he traveled to Pakistan to study at the Al Salafia College. He chose this college because of the religious courses the college offered. AHMAD advised that he first stayed in a dormitory

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type room with approximately 30 other students before moving to a house owned by the college, the guesthouse he was arrested at. (EC 20JUL02)

Al Faroque School: AHMED attended Al Farooque School in Ibb City, YM from 1985-1994. (b)(1)

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