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Why Did The Imam Befriend Hijackers?

By Massimo Calabresi, Timothy J. Burger and Elaine Shannon

A troubling charge in Congress's joint 9/11 inquiry last month was that the FBI failed to investigate adequately Anwar al-Aulaqi, an American Muslim cleric who ministered to several of the hijackers. The FBI concluded al-Aulaqi was merely a spiritual adviser eager to assist followers, and an FBI official says, "I've heard no [further] interest [at the FBI] in this guy." But the report quotes an FBI dissenter as saying, "There's a lot of smoke" surrounding his contacts with the hijackers. U.S. official reportedly want further investigation.

Born in New Mexico to Yemeni parents, al-Aulaqi studied engineering at Colorado State University. Friends describe him as warm and adamantly nonviolent. But while living in San Diego he met with an ally of an Egyptian cleric imprisoned for his involvement in the 1993 World Trade Center attack. The FBI investigated, closing the probe in March 2000. Two months earlier, two hijackers moved to the area. Al-Aulaqi, according to the joint inquiry, held "closed-door meetings" with them. When he moved to Virginia in early 2001, two hijackers followed. After 9/11, al-Aulaqi told the A.P. he didn't recognize any of the hijackers' names.

If the FBI revisits al-Aulaqi, it will have to do so overseas. In early 2002 he left for Yemen, partly because of a "climate of fear of intimidation," says Johari Malik a friend. Malik says al-Aulaqi returned briefly last fall to liquidate his assets and adds: "If he was concerned about the feds, he wouldn't have come back." —By Massimo Calabresi, Timothy J. Burger and Elaine Shannon

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Jan. 15, 2000: Hijackers Khalid al-Mihdhar and Nawaf al-Hazmi land in Los Angeles — then disappear for two weeks.

After almost three years, neither the FBI nor the 9/11 commission knows what the two hijackers, who spoke very little English, were doing during that time.

Still, unanswered: did the hijackers have a support network in the U.S.?

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"There's lots of smoke, there are lots of coincidences ... the plotters, 9/11 co-conspirators had help, we just don't know how much help and how witting or unwitting that was," says 9/11 commissioner Tim Roemer.

The 9/11 commission says "the evidence is thin" but "worrisome," especially involving three men who crossed paths with the hijackers in California.

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Modhar Abdullah

He's a Yemeni student who befriends the two hijackers and helps them apply to flight schools. The commission says Abdullah knew one of the hijackers was involved with a group tied to al-Qalda and, after 9/11, "expressed hatred for the U.S. government." But in an exclusive phone interview with NBC News from Yemen, Abdullah denies it, and says the hijackers tricked him.

"They never even mentioned they had training before. They didn't mention they have such hatred to the United States," says Abduliah.

Abdullah repeatedly told the FBI he did not have prior knowledge of the attacks. But the commission says Abdullah bragged that he did know... in advance. Abdullah denies it.

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Abdullah was deported to Yemen before the 9/11 commission finished its investigation. That's proof, critics say, the FBI still hasn't learned the lessons of 9/11.

"They end up not prosecuting him, not even keeping him for intelligence purposes," says commissioner Roemer.

Fahad al-Thumairy

He's a Saudi diplomat in Los Angeles and Imam of a mosque frequented by the hijackers. Thumairy was barred from the U.S. last year. U.S. officials say that's because of suspected links to al-Qaida. The 9/11 report calls Thumairy a "logical" contact for the hijackers, but finds no evidence he actually helped them and he denies it.

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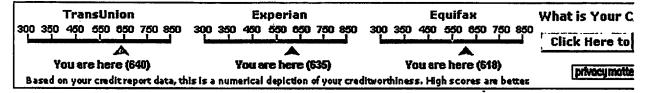
He's an Imam at a San Diego mosque frequented by the hijackers, and was investigated for ties to other suspected terrorists. Aulaqi admits meetings with a hijacker, but denies knowledge of the plot. Yet, after Aulaqi moved to a Virginia mosque, the report says, the hijackers showed up there.

"Is it worrisome? Is it suspicious? Are there clues that are just not answered? Absolutely," says Roemer.

The FBI still insists the hijackers had no accomplices in the U.S. But the 9/11 commission believes the FBI still hasn't adequately investigated whether a network of sympathizers secretly lent a hand.

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Outline of the 9/11 Plot

Staff Statement No. 16

Members of the Commission, your staff is prepared to report its preliminary findings regarding the conspiracy that produced the September 11 terrorist attacks against the United States. We remain ready to revise our understanding of this subject as our work continues. Dietrich Snell, Rajesh De, Hyon Kim, Michael Jacobson, John Tamm, Marco Cordero, John Roth, Douglas Greenburg, and Serena Wille did most of the investigative work reflected in this statement.

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Much of the account in this statement reflects assertions reportedly made by various 9/11 conspirators and captured al Qaeda members while under interrogation. We have sought to corroborate this material as much as possible. Some of this material has been inconsistent. We have had to make judgment calls based on the weight and credibility of the evidence. Our information on statements attributed to such individuals comes from written reporting; we have not had direct access to any of them.

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Origins of the 9/11 attacks

The idea for the September 11 attacks appears to have originated with a veteran jihadist named Khalid Sheikh Mohammed (KSM). A Kuwaiti from the Baluchistan region of Pakistan, KSM grew up in a religious family and claims to have joined the Muslim Brotherhood at the age of 16. After attending college in the United States, he went to Afghanistan to participate in the anti-Soviet jihad. Following the war, he helped run a non-governmental organization in Pakistan assisting the Afghan mujahidin.

KSM first came to the attention of U.S. authorities as a result of the terrorist activity of his nephew Ramzi Yousef, the mastermind of the 1993 World Trade Center bombing. KSM provided a small amount of funding for that attack. The following year, he joined Yousef in the

Philippines to plan what would become known as the "Bojinka" operation, the intended bombing of 12 U.S. commercial jets over the Pacific in a two-day period. That plot unraveled, however, when the Philippine authorities discovered Yousef's bomb-making equipment in Manila in January 1995. During the course of 1995, Yousef and two of his co-conspirators in the Bojinka plot were arrested overseas and were brought to the United States for trial, but KSM managed to elude capture following his January 1996 indictment for his role in the plot.

By the middle of 1996, according to his account, KSM was back in Afghanistan. He had met Usama Bin Ladin there in the 1980s. Now, in mid-1996, KSM sought to renew that acquaintance, at a point when Bin Ladin had just moved to Afghanistan from the Sudan. At a meeting with Bin Ladin and Mohamed Atef, al Qaeda's Chief of Operations, KSM presented several ideas for attacks against the United States. One of the operations he pitched, according to KSM, was a scaled-up version of what would become the attacks of September 11. Bin Ladin listened, but did not yet commit himself.

Bin Ladin approves the plan

According to KSM, the 1998 East Africa embassy bombings demonstrated to him that Bin Ladin was willing to attack the United States. In early 1999, Bin Ladin summoned KSM to Kandahar to tell him that his proposal to use aircraft as weapons now had al Qaeda's full support. KSM met again with Bin Ladin and Atef at Kandahar in the spring of 1999 to develop an initial list of targets. The list included the White House and the Pentagon, which Bin Ladin wanted; the U.S. Capitol; and the World Trade Center, a target favored by KSM.

Bin Ladin quickly provided KSM with four potential suicide operatives: Nawaf al Hazmi, Khalid al Mihdhar, Walid Muhammad Salih bin Attash, also known as Khaliad, and Abu Bara al Taizi. Hazmi and Mihdhar were both Saudi nationals—although Mihdhar was actually of Yemeni origin—and experienced mujahidin, having fought in Bosnia together. They were so eager to participate in attacks against the United States that they already held U.S. visas. Khaliad and Abu Bara, being Yemeni nationals, would have trouble getting U.S. visas compared to Saudis. Therefore, KSM decided to split the operation into two parts. Hazmi and Mihdhar would go to the United States, and the Yemeni operatives would go to Southeast Asia to carry out a smaller version of the Bojinka plot.

In the fall of 1999, training for the attacks began. Hazmi, Mihdhar, Khallad, and Abu Bara participated in an elite training course at the Mes Aynak camp in Afghanistan. Afterward, KSM taught three of these operatives basic English words and phrases and showed them how to

read a phone book, make travel reservations, use the Internet, and encode communications. They also used flight simulator computer games and analyzed airline schedules to figure out flights that would be in the air at the same time. *Kuala Lumpur*

Following the training, all four operatives for the operation traveled to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Khaliad and Abu Bara were directed to study airport security and conduct surveillance on U.S. carriers, and Hazmi and Mihdhar were to switch passports in Kuala Lumpur before going on to the United States. Khaliad—who traveled to Kuala Lumpur ahead of Hazmi and Mihdhar—attended a prosthesis clinic in Kuala Lumpur. He then flew to Hong Kong aboard a U.S. airliner and was able to carry a box cutter, concealed in his toiletries bag, onto the flight. He returned to Kuala Lumpur, where Hazmi and Mihdhar arrived during the first week in January 2000. The al Qaeda operatives were hosted in Kuala Lumpur by Jemaah Islamiah members Hambali and Yazid Sufaat, among others. When Khaliad headed next to a meeting in Bangkok, Hazmi and Mihdhar decided to join him to enhance their cover as tourists.

Khallad had his meetings in Bangkok and returned to Kandahar. Khallad and Abu Bara would not take part in a planes operation; in the spring of 2000, Bin Ladin cancelled the Southeast Asia part of the operation because it was too difficult to coordinate with the U.S. part. Hazmi and Mihdhar spent a few days in Bangkok and then headed for Los Angeles, where they would become the first 9/11 operatives to enter the United States on January 15, 2000.

Four students in Hamburg

While KSM was deploying his initial operatives for the 9/11 attacks to Kuala Lumpur, a group of four Western-educated men who would prove ideal for the attacks were making their way to the al Qaeda camps in Afghanistan. The four were Mohamed Atta, Marwan al Shehhi, Ziad Jarrah, and Ramzi Binalshibh. Atta, Shehhi, and Jarrah would become pilots for the 9/11 attacks, while Binalshibh would act as a key coordinator for the plot. Atta, the oldest of the group, was born in Egypt in 1968 and moved to Germany to study in 1992 after graduating from Cairo University. Shehhi was from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and entered Germany in 1996 through a UAE military scholarship program. Jarrah was from a wealthy family in Lebanon and went to Germany after high school to study at the University of Greifswald. Finally, Binalshibh, a Yemeni, arrived in Germany in 1995.

Atta and Binalshibh were the first of the four to meet, at a mosque in Hamburg in 1995. In 1998, Atta and Binalshibh moved into a Hamburg apartment with Shehhi, who had been studying in Bonn; after several

months, the trio moved to 54 Marienstrasse, also in Hamburg. How Shehhi came to know Atta and Binalshibh is not clear. It is also unknown just how and when Jarrah, who was living in Greifswald, first encountered the group, but we do know that he moved to Hamburg in late 1997.

By the time Atta, Shehhi, and Binalshibh were living together in Hamburg, they and Jarrah were well known among Muslims in Hamburg and, with a few other like-minded students, were holding extremely anti-American discussions. Atta, the leader of the group, denounced what he described as a global Jewish movement centered in New York City which, he claimed, controlled the financial world and the media. As time passed, the group became more extreme and secretive. According to Binalshibh, by sometime in 1999, the four had decided to act on their beliefs and to pursue jihad against the Russians in Chechnya.

The Hamburg students Join al Qaeda

As Binalshibh is the only one of the four still alive, he is the primary source for an explanation of how the Hamburg group was recruited into the 9/11 plot. Binalshibh claims that during 1999, he and Shehhi had a chance meeting with an individual to whom they expressed an interest in joining the fighting in Chechnya. They were referred to another individual named Mohamedou Ould Slahi—an al Qaeda member living in Germany. He advised them that it was difficult to get to Chechnya and that they should go to Afghanistan first. Following Slahi's advice, between November and December of 1999, Atta, Jarrah, Shehhi, and Binaishibh went to Afghanistan, traveling separately. When Binaishibh reached the camps in Kandahar, he found that Atta and Jarrah had already pledged bayat, or allegiance, to Bin Ladin, and that Shehhi had already left for the UAE to prepare for the anti-U.S. mission the group had been assigned. Binalshibh followed suit, pledging bayat to Bin Ladin in a private meeting. Binalshibh, Atta, and Jarrah met with Bin Ladin's deputy, Mohamed Atef, who directed them to return to Germany and enroll in flight training. Atta was chosen as the emir, or leader, of the mission. He met with Bin Ladin to discuss the targets: the World Trade Center, which represented the U.S. economy; the Pentagon, a symbol of the U.S. military; and the U.S. Capitol, the perceived source of U.S. policy in support of Israel. The White House was also on the list, as Bin Ladin considered it a political symbol and wanted to attack it as well. KSM and Binalshibh have both stated that, in early 2000, Shehhi, Atta, and Binalshibh met with KSM in Karachi for training that included learning about life in the United States and how to read airline schedules.

By early March 2000, all four new al Qaeda recruits were back in

Germany. They began researching flight schools in Europe, but quickly found that training in the United States would be cheaper and faster. Atta, Shehhi, and Jarrah obtained U.S. visas, but Binalshibh—the sole Yemeni in the group—was rejected repeatedly. In the spring of 2000, Atta, Shehhi, and Jarrah prepared to travel to the United States to begin flight training. Binalshibh would remain behind and help coordinate the operation, serving as a link between KSM and Atta.

California

While the Hamburg operatives were just joining the 9/11 plot, Nawaf al Hazmi and Khalid al Mihdhar were already living in the United States, having arrived in Los Angeles on January 15, 2000. It has not been established where they stayed during the first two weeks after their arrival. They appear to have frequented the King Fahd Mosque in Culver City, possibly staying in an apartment nearby. Much remains unknown about their activities and associates while in Los Angeles and our investigation of this period of the conspiracy is continuing.

KSM contends that he directed the two to settle in San Diego after learning from a phone book about language and flight schools there. Recognizing that neither Hazmi nor Mihdhar spoke English or was familiar with Western culture, KSM instructed these operatives to seek help from the local Muslim community.

As of February 1, 2000, Hazmi and Mihdhar were still in Los Angeles, however. That day, the two al Qaeda operatives met a Saudi named Omar al Bayoumi. Bayoumi told them that he lived in San Diego and could help them if they decided to move there. Within a few days, Hazmi and Mihdhar traveled to San Diego. They found Bayoumi at the Islamic Center and took him up on his offer to help them find an apartment. On February 5, Hazmi and Mihdhar moved into a unit they rented in Bayoumi's apartment complex in San Diego. While it is clear that Bayoumi helped them settle in San Diego, we have not uncovered evidence that he did so knowing that they were terrorists, or that he believed in violent extremism.

Hazmi and Mihdhar also received assistance from various other individuals in the Muslim community in San Diego. Several of their new friends were foreign students in their early 20's who worshipped at the Rabat Mosque in La Mesa. One of them, an illegal immigrant named Mohdar Abdullah, became particularly close to Hazmi and Mihdhar and helped them obtain driver's licenses and enroll in schools. When interviewed by the FBI after 9/11, Abdullah denied knowing about the operatives' terrorist plans. Before his recent deportation to Yemen, however, Abdullah allegedly made various claims to individuals incarcerated with him about having advance knowledge of the

operatives' 9/11 mission, going so far as to tell one inmate that he had received instructions to pick up the operatives at Los Angeles
International Airport, and had driven them from Los Angeles to San
Diego. Abdullah and others in his circle appear to have held extremist sympathies.

While in San Diego, Hazmi and Mihdhar also established a relationship with Anwar Aulaqi, an imam at the Rabat Mosque. Aulaqi reappears in our story later. Another San Diego resident rented Hazmi and Mihdhar a room in his house. An apparently law abiding citizen with close contacts among local police and FBI personnel, the operatives' housemate saw nothing in their behavior to arouse suspicion. Nor did his law enforcement contacts ask him for information about his tenants.

Hazmi and Mihdhar were supposed to learn English and then enroll in flight schools, but they made only cursory attempts at both. Mihdhar paid for an English class that Hazmi took for about a month. The two al Qaeda operatives also took a few short flying lessons. According to their flight instructors, they were interested in learning to fly jets and did not realize that they had to start training on small planes. In June 2000, Mihdhar abruptly returned to his family in Yemen, apparently without permission. KSM was very displeased and wanted to remove him from the operation, but Bin Ladin interceded, and Mihdhar remained part of the plot.

The Hamburg Group arrives in the United States

On the East Coast, in May and June 2000, the three operatives from Hamburg who had succeeded in obtaining visas began arriving in the United States. Marwan ai Shehhi arrived first, on May 29, 2000, at Newark Airport in New Jersey. Mohamed Atta arrived there five days later, on June 3. He and Shehhi had not yet decided where they would train. They directed inquiries to flight schools in New Hampshire and New Jersey, and, after spending about a month in New York City, visited the Airman Flight School in Norman, Okiahoma, where Zacarias Moussaoui would enroll the following February. For some reason, Atta and Shehhi decided not to enroll there. Instead, they went to Venice, Florida, where Ziad Jarrah had already started his training at Florida Flight Training Center, having arrived in the United States on June 27. Atta and Shehhi enrolled in a different flight school, Huffman Aviation, and began training almost daily. In mid-August, Atta and Shehhi both passed the Private Pilot Airman test. Their instructors described Atta and Shehhi as aggressive and rude, and in a hurry to complete their training.

Meanwhile, Jarrah obtained his single engine private pilot certificate in

early August 2000. In October, Jarrah went on the first of five foreign trips he would take during his time in the United States. He returned to Germany to visit his girlfriend, Aysel Senguen, the daughter of Turkish immigrants, whom Jarrah had met in 1996 and married in a 1999 Islamic ceremony not recognized under German law.

The fourth pilot: Hani Hanjour

By this point, in the fall of 2000, three 9/11 pilots were progressing in their training. It was clear, though, that the first two assigned to the operation, Hazmi and Mihdhar, would not learn to fly aircraft. It proved unnecessary to scale back the operation, however, because a young Saudi with special credentials arrived at an al Qaeda camp in Afghanistan.

Hani Hanjour had studied in the United States intermittently since 1991, and had undergone enough flight training in Arizona to obtain his commercial pilot certificate in April 1999. His friends there included individuals with ties to Islamic extremism. Reportedly a devout Muslim all his life, Hanjour worked for a relief agency in Afghanistan in the 1980s. By 2000, he was back in Afghanistan where he was identified among al Qaeda recruits at the al Faruq camp as a trained pilot and who should be sent to KSM for inclusion in the plot.

After receiving several days of training from KSM in Karachi, Hanjour returned to Saudi Arabia on June 20, 2000. There he obtained a U.S. student visa on September 25, before traveling to the UAE to receive funds for the operation from KSM's nephew, a conspirator named Ali Abdul Aziz Ali. On December 8, 2000, Hanjour traveled to San Diego to join Nawaf al Hazmi, who had been alone since Mihdhar's departure six months earlier.

Once Hanjour arrived in San Diego and joined Hazmi, the two quickly relocated to Arizona, where Hanjour had spent most of his previous time in the United States. On December 12, 2000, they were settling in Mesa, Arizona, and Hanjour was ready to brush up on his flight training. By early 2001, he was using a Boeing 737 simulator. Because his performance struck his flight instructors as sub-standard, they discouraged Hanjour from continuing, but he persisted. He and Hazmi then left the Southwest at the end of March, driving across the country in Hazmi's car. There is some evidence indicating that Hanjour may have returned to Arizona in June of 2001 to obtain additional flight training with some of his associates in the area.

9/11 operatives on the move

Back in Florida, the Hamburg pilots—Atta, Shehhi, and Jarrah—

continued to train. By the end of 2000, they also were starting to train on jet aircraft simulators. Around the beginning of the New Year, all three of them left the United States on various foreign trips. Jarrah took the second and third of his five foreign trips, visiting Germany and Beirut to see his girlfriend and family respectively. On one trip, Jarrah's girlfriend returned with him to the United States and stayed with him in Florida for ten days, even observing one of Jarrah's training sessions at flight school.

While Jarrah took these personal trips, Atta traveled to Germany for an early January 2001 meeting with Ramzi Binalshibh. Atta reported that the pilots had completed their training and were awaiting further instruction from al Qaeda. After the meeting, Atta returned to Florida and Binalshibh headed to Afghanistan to brief the al Qaeda leadership. As soon as Atta returned to Florida, Shehhi took his foreign trip, an unexplained eight-day sojourn to Casablanca.

After Atta and Shehhi returned to Florida, they moved on to the Atlanta area, where they pursued some additional training. The two rented a small plane with a flight instructor and may have visited a flight school in Decatur, Georgia. By February 19, Atta and Shehhi were on the move again, traveling to Virginia Beach, Virginia. Here is a shot of Atta on February 20, withdrawing \$4,000 from his account at a SunTrust Bank branch in Virginia Beach. A bit later, Jarrah spent time in Georgia as well, staying in Decatur in mid-March. At the end of March, he left again for Germany to visit his girlfriend. At about this time, Hanjour and Hazmi were driving from Arizona toward the East Coast. After being stopped for speeding in Oklahoma on April 1, they finally arrived in Northern Virginia. At the Dar al Hijra mosque in Falls Church, they met a Jordanian man named Eyad al Rababah, possibly through Anwar Aulaqi, the Imam whom they had known in San Diego and who, in the interim, also had moved east in early 2001.

With Rababah's help, Hanjour and Hazmi were able to find a room in an apartment in Alexandria, Virginia. When they expressed interest in the greater New York area, Rababah suggested they accompany him to Connecticut, where he was in the process of moving. On May 8, the group—which by now included al Qaeda operatives Ahmad al Ghamdi and Majed Moqed—traveled to Fairfield, Connecticut. The next day, Rababah took them to Paterson, New Jersey to have dinner and see the area. Soon thereafter, they moved into an apartment in Paterson. At this time, we have insufficient basis to conclude that Rababah knew the operatives were terrorists when he assisted them. As for Aulaqi, there is reporting that he has extremist ties, and the circumstances surrounding his relationship with the hijackers remain suspicious. However, we have not uncovered evidence that he associated with thijackers knowing that they were terrorists.

While Hanjour and Hazmi were settling in New Jersey, Atta and Shehhi were returning to southern Florida. We have examined the allegation that Atta met with an Iraqi intelligence officer in Prague on April 9. Based on the evidence available—including investigation by Czech and U.S. authorities plus detainee reporting—we do not believe that such a meeting occurred. The FBI's investigation places him in Virginia as of April 4, as evidenced by this bank surveillance camera shot of Atta withdrawing \$8,000 from his account. Atta was back in Florida by April 11, if not before. Indeed, investigation has established that, on April 6, 9, 10, and 11, Atta's cellular telephone was used numerous times to call Florida phone numbers from cell sites within Florida. We have seen no evidence that Atta ventured overseas again or re-entered the United States before July, when he traveled to Spain and back under his true name. Shehhi, on the other hand, visited Cairo between April 18 and May 2. We do not know the reason for this excursion.

The muscle hijackers

While the pilots trained in the United States, Bin Ladin and al Qaeda leaders in Afghanistan started selecting the muscle hijackers—those operatives who would storm the cockpit and control the passengers on the four hijacked planes. (The term "muscle" hijacker appears in the interrogation reports of 9/11 conspirators KSM and Binalshibh, and has been widely used to refer to the non-pilot hijackers.) The so-called muscle hijackers actually were not physically imposing, as the majority of them were between 5'5" and 5'7" in height and slender in build. In addition to Hazmi and Mihdhar, the first pair to enter the United States, there were 13 other muscle hijackers, all but one from Saudi Arabia. They were Satam al Suqami, Wall and Waleed al Shehri (two brothers), Abdul Aziz al Omari, Fayez Banihammad (from the UAE), Ahmed al Ghamdi, Hamza al Ghamdi, Mohand al Shehri, Saeed al Ghamdi, Ahmad al Haznawi, Ahmed al Nami, Majed Moqed, and Salem al Hazmi (the brother of Nawaf al Hazmi).

The muscle hijackers were between 20 and 28 years of age and had differing backgrounds. Many were unemployed and lacked higher education, while a few had begun university studies. Although some were known to attend prayer services regularly, others reportedly even consumed alcohol and abused drugs. It has not been determined exactly how each of them was recruited into al Qaeda, but most of them apparently were swayed to join the jihad in Chechnya by contacts at local universities and mosques in Saudi Arabia.

By late 1999 and early 2000, the young men who would become the muscle hijackers began to break off contact with their families and pursue jihad. They made their way to the camps in Afghanistan, where they volunteered to be suicide operatives for al Qaeda. After being

picked by Bin Ladin himself for what would become the 9/11 operation, most of them returned to Saudi Arabia to obtain U.S. visas. They then returned to Afghanistan for special training on how to conduct hijackings, disarm air marshals, and handle explosives and knives. Next KSM sent them to the UAE, where his nephew, Ali Abdul Aziz Ali, and another al Qaeda member, Mustafa al Hawsawi, would help them buy plane tickets to the United States.

In late April 2001, the muscle hijackers started arriving in the United States, specifically in Florida, Washington, DC, and New York. They traveled mostly in pairs and were assisted upon arrival by Atta and Shehhi in Florida or Hazmi and Hanjour in DC and New York. The final pair, Salem al Hazmi and Abdulaziz al Omari, arrived New York on June 29 and likely were picked up the following day by Salem's brother, Nawaf, as evidenced by Nawaf's minor traffic accident while heading east on the George Washington Bridge. Finally, on July 4, Khalid al Mihdhar, who had abandoned Nawaf al Hazmi back in San Diego 13 months earlier, re-entered the United States. Mihdhar promptly joined the group in Paterson, New Jersey.

Summer of preparations

In addition to assisting the newly-arrived muscle hijackers, the pilots busied themselves during the summer of 2001 with cross-country surveillance flights and additional flight training. Shehhi took the first cross-country flight, from New York to San Francisco and on to Las Vegas on May 24. Jarrah was next, traveling from Baltimore to Los Angeles and on to Las Vegas on June 7. Then, on June 28, Atta flew from Boston to San Francisco and on to Las Vegas. Each flew first class, in the same type of aircraft he would pilot on September 11.

In addition to the test flights, some of the operatives obtained additional training. In early June, Jarrah sought to fly the "Hudson Corridor," a low altitude "hallway" along the Hudson River that passed several New York landmarks, including the World Trade Center. Hanjour made the same request at a flight school in New Jersey. The 9/11 operatives were now split between two locations: southern Florida and Paterson, New Jersey. Atta had to coordinate the two groups, especially with Nawaf al Hazmi, who was considered Atta's second-incommand for the entire operation. Their first in-person meeting probably took place in June, when Hazmi flew round-trip between Newark and Miami.

The next step for Atta was a mid-July status meeting with Binalshibh at a small resort town in Spain. According to Binalshibh, the two discussed the progress of the plot, and Atta disclosed that he would still need about five or six weeks before he would be able to provide

the date for the attacks. Atta also reported that he, Shehhi, and Jarrah had been able to carry box cutters onto their test flights; they had determined that the best time to storm the cockpit would be about 10-15 minutes after takeoff, when they noticed that cockpit doors were typically opened for the first time. Atta also said that the conspirators planned to crash their planes into the ground if they could not strike their targets. Atta himself planned to crash his aircraft into the streets of New York if he could not hit the World Trade Center. After the meeting, Binalshibh left to report the progress to the al Qaeda leadership in Afghanistan, and Atta returned to Florida on July 19.

In early August, Atta spent a day waiting at the Orlando airport for one additional muscle hijacker intended for the operation, Mohamed al Kahtani. As noted in Staff Statement No. 1, Kahtani was turned away by U.S. immigration officials and failed to join the operation. On August 13, another in-person meeting of key players in the plot apparently took place, as Atta, Nawaf al Hazmi, and Hanjour gathered one last time in Las Vegas. Two days later, the FBI learned about the strange behavior of Zacarias Moussaoui, who was now training on flight simulators in Minneapolis.

The final days

In addition to their last test flights and Las Vegas trips, the conspirators had other final preparations to make. Some of the pilots took practice flights on small rented aircraft, and the muscle hijackers trained at gyms. The operatives also purchased a variety of small knives that they may have used during the attacks. While we can't know for sure, some of the knives the terrorists bought may have been these, which were recovered from the Flight 93 crash site. On August 22, Jarrah attempted to buy four Global Positioning System (GPS) units from a pilot shop in Miami. Only one unit was available, and Jarrah purchased it along with three aeronautical charts.

Just over two weeks before the attacks, the conspirators purchased their flight tickets. Between August 26 and September 5, they bought tickets on the Internet, by phone, and in person. Once the ticket purchases were made, the conspirators returned excess funds to al Qaeda. During the first week in September, they made a series of wire transfers to Mustafa al Hawsawi in the UAE, totaling about \$26,000. Nawaf al Hazmi attempted to send Hawsawi the debit card for Mihdhar's bank account, which still contained approximately \$10,000. (The package containing the card would be intercepted after the FBI found the Express Mail receipt for it in Hazmi's car at Dulles Airport on 9/11.) The last step was to travel to the departure points for the attacks. The operatives for American Airlines Flight 77, which would depart from Dulles and crash into the Pentagon, gathered in Laurel,

Maryland, about 20 miles from Washington, DC. The Flight 77 team stayed at a motel in Laurel during the first week of September and spent time working out at a nearby gym. On the final night before the attacks, they stayed at a hotel in Herndon, Virginia, close to Dulles Airport. Further north, the operatives for United Airlines Flight 93, which would depart from Newark and crash in Stony Creek Township, Pennsylvania, gathered in Newark. Just after midnight on September 9, Jarrah received this speeding ticket as he headed north through Maryland along Interstate 95, towards his team's staging point in New Jersey.

Atta continued to coordinate the teams until the very end. On September 7, he fiew from Fort Lauderdale to Baltimore, presumably to meet with the Flight 77 team in Laurei, Maryland. On September 9, he flew from Baltimore to Boston. By this time, Marwan al Shehhi and his team for Flight 175 had arrived in Boston, and Atta was seen with Shehhi at his hotel. The next day, Atta picked up Abdul Aziz al Omari, one of the Flight 11 muscle hijackers, from his Boston hotel and drove to Portland, Maine. For reasons that remain unknown, Atta and Omari took a commuter flight to Boston during the early hours of September 11 to connect to Flight 11. As shown here, they cleared security at the airport in Portland and boarded the flight that would allow them to join the rest of their team at Logan Airport.

The Portland detour almost prevented Atta and Omari from making Flight 11 out of Boston. In fact, the luggage they checked in Portland failed to make it onto the plane. Seized after the September 11 crashes, Atta and Omari's luggage turned out to contain a number of telling items, including: correspondence from the university Atta attended in Egypt; Omari's international driver's license and passport; a video cassette for a Boeing 757 flight simulator; and this folding knife and pepper spray, presumably extra weapons the two conspirators decided they didn't need.

On the morning of September 11, after years of planning and many months of intensive preparation, all four terrorist teams were in place to execute the attacks of that day.

Financing of the 9/11 plot

We estimate that the 9/11 attacks cost somewhere between \$400,000 and \$500,000 to execute. The operatives spent over \$270,000 in the United States, and the costs associated with Zacarias Moussaoui—who is discussed at greater length below—were at least \$50,000. Additional expenses included travel to obtain passports and visas; travel to the United States; expenses incurred by the plot leader and facilitators outside the United States; and expenses incurred by the people

selected to be hijackers but who ultimately did not participate. For many of these expenses, we have only fragmentary evidence and/or unconfirmed detainee reports and can make only a rough estimate of costs. Our \$400,000-\$500,000 estimate does not include the cost of running the camps in Afghanistan where the hijackers were recruited and trained, or the cost of that training. We have found no evidence that the Hamburg group received funds from al Qaeda before late 1999. They apparently supported themselves before joining the conspiracy. Thereafter, according to KSM, they each received \$5,000 to pay for their return to Germany from Afghanistan plus funds for travel from Germany to the United States. KSM, Binalshibh, and plot facilitator Mustafa al Hawsawi, each received money— perhaps \$10,000—to cover their living expenses while they fulfilled their roles in the plot.

In the United States, the operatives' primary expenses consisted of flight training, living expenses (room, board and meals, vehicles, insurance, etc.), and travel (casing flights, meetings, and the flights on 9/11). All told, about \$300,000 was deposited into the 19 hijackers' bank accounts in the United States. They received funds in the United States through a variety of unexceptional means. Approximately \$130,000 arrived via a series of wire transfers from Ali Abdul Aziz Ali, who sent approximately \$120,000 from Dubai, and Binalshibh, who sent just over \$10,000 from Germany. Shown here is the receipt for the largest wire transfer sent to the conspirators in the United States, \$70,000 that Ali wired Marwan al Shehhi on September 17, 2000, just when Shehhi, Atta and Jarrah were in the middle of their flight training. In addition to receiving funds by wire, the operatives brought significant amounts of cash and travelers checks with them into the United States, the largest amount coming with the 13 muscle hijackers who began arriving in April 2001. Finally, several of the operatives relied on accounts in overseas financial institutions, which they accessed in the United States with ATM and credit cards.

The conspiracy made extensive use of banks in the United States, both branches of major international banks and smaller regional banks. All of the operatives opened accounts in their own names, using passports and other identification documents. There is no evidence that they ever used false social security numbers to open any bank accounts. Their transactions were unremarkable and essentially invisible amidst the billions of dollars flowing around the world every day.

No credible evidence exists that the operatives received substantial funding from any person in the United States. Specifically, there is no evidence that Mihdhar and Hazmi received funding from Saudi citizens Omar al Bayoumi and Osama Bassnan, or that Saudi Princess Haifa al Falsal provided any funds to the conspiracy either directly or indirectly.

To date, the U.S. government has not been able to determine the origin of the money used for the 9/11 attacks. Compelling evidence traces the bulk of the funds directly back to KSM, but from where KSM obtained the money remains unknown at this time. Ultimately the question is of little practical significance. Al Qaeda had many avenues of funding and a pre-9/11 annual budget estimated at \$30 million. If a particular source of funds had dried up, al Qaeda could have easily found enough money to fund an attack that cost \$400,000-\$500,000 over nearly two years.

A Closer Look at Specific Aspects of the Plot

Given the catastrophic results of the 9/11 attacks, it is tempting to depict the plot as a set plan executed to near perfection. This would be a mistake. The 9/11 conspirators confronted operational difficulties, internal disagreements, and even dissenting opinions within the leadership of al Qaeda. In the end, the plot proved sufficiently flexible to adapt and evolve as challenges arose.

Initial changes in the plot

As originally envisioned, the 9/11 plot involved even more extensive attacks than those carried out on September 11. KSM maintains that his initial proposal involved hijacking ten planes to attack targets on both the East and West coasts of the United States. He claims that, in addition to the targets actually hit on 9/11, these hijacked planes were to be crashed into CIA and FBI headquarters, unidentified nuclear power plants, and the tallest buildings in California and Washington State. The centerpiece of his original proposal was the tenth plane, which he would have piloted himself. Rather than crashing the plane into a target, he would have killed every adult male passenger, contacted the media from the air, and landed the aircraft at a U.S. airport. He says he then would have made a speech denouncing U.S. policies in the Middle East before releasing all of the women and children passengers.

KSM concedes that this ambitious proposal initially received only a lukewarm response from the al Qaeda leadership in view of the proposal's scale and complexity. When Bin Ladin finally approved the operation, he scrapped the idea of using one of the hijacked planes to make a public statement but provided KSM with four operatives, only two of whom ultimately would participate in the 9/11 attacks. Those two operatives, Nawaf al Hamzi and Khalid al Mihdhar, had already acquired U.S. visas in their Saudi passports by the time they were picked for the operation. According to KSM, both had obtained visas because they wanted to participate in an operation against the United States, having been inspired by a friend of theirs who was a suicide

bomber in the August 1998 attack on the U.S. embassy in Kenya.

It soon became clear to KSM that the other two operatives, Khallad bin Attash and Abu Bara ai Taizi-both of whom had Yemeni, not Saudi, documentation—would not be able to obtain U.S. visas. Khallad, in fact, had already been turned down in April 1999, at about the same time that Hazmi and Mihdhar acquired their U.S. visas in Saudi Arabia. Although he recognized that Yemeni operatives would not be able to travel to the United States as readily as Saudis like Hazmi and Mihdhar, KSM wanted Khallad and Abu Bara to take part in the operation. Accordingly, by mid-1999, KSM made his first major adjustment, splitting the plot into two parts so that Yemeni operatives could participate without having to obtain U.S. visas. He focused in particular on Southeast Asia because he believed it would be easier for Yemenis to travel there than to the United States. The first part of the operation would remain as originally planned—operatives including Hazmi and Mihdhar would hijack commercial flights and crash them into U.S. targets. The second part, however, would now involve using Yemeni operatives in a modified version of the Bojinka plot: operatives would hijack U.S. commercial planes flying Pacific routes from Southeast Asia and explode them in mid-air instead of crashing them into particular targets. (An alternate scenario, according to KSM, involved flying planes into U.S. targets in Japan, Singapore or Korea.) All planes in the United States and in Southeast Asia, however, were to be crashed or exploded more or less simultaneously, to maximize the psychological impact of the attacks.

Khallad has admitted casing a flight between Bangkok and Hong Kong in early January 2000 in preparation for the revised operation.

According to his account, he reported the results from this mission to Bin Ladin and KSM. By April or May 2000, however, Bin Ladin had decided to cancel the Southeast Asia part of the planes operation because he believed it would be too difficult to synchronize the hijacking and crashing of flights on opposite sides of the globe.

Deprived of the opportunity to become a suicide operative, Khallad was re-deployed, first helping KSM communicate with Hazmi in California and later assisting in the *Cole* bombing, much as Binalshibh was assigned to assist the Hamburg pilots after failing to obtain a visa himself.

Hazmi and Mihdhar were particularly ill-prepared to stage an operation in the United States. Neither had any significant exposure to western culture; Hazmi barely spoke English, and Mihdhar spoke none. Given this background, KSM had real concerns about whether they would be able to fulfill their mission. In fact, he maintains that the only reason the two operatives were included in the 9/11 plot was their prior acquisition of visas and Bin Ladin's personal interest in having them

participate.

Unlike the other 9/11 hijackers—who were instructed to avoid associating with others in the local Muslim community—Hazmi and Mihdhar received specific permission from KSM to seek assistance at mosques when they first arrived in the United States. According to KSM, he also directed them to enroll in English language classes as soon as possible so that they could begin flight training right away. As KSM tells it, Hazmi and Mihdhar attempted to enroll in three language schools upon arriving in Los Angeles but failed to attend classes at any of them. Once they moved to San Diego, Hazmi enrolled in English classes and, a little later, both took some flight training, but they failed to make progress in either area.

According to their flight instructors, Hazmi and Mihdhar said they wanted to learn how to control an aircraft in flight, but took no interest in take-offs or landings. One Arabicspeaking flight instructor has recalled that the two were keen on learning to fly large jets, particularly Boeing aircraft. When the instructor informed them that, like all students, they would have to begin training on single engine aircraft before learning to fly jets, they expressed such disappointment that the instructor thought they were either joking or dreaming.

KSM says now that he was surprised by the failure of Hazmi and Mihdhar to become pilots. This failure, however, had little impact on the plot. The setback occurred early enough to permit further adjustment. Al Qaeda's discovery of new operatives—men with English language skills, higher education, exposure to the West, and, in the case of Hani Hanjour, prior flight training—soon remedied the problem.

Additional Saudi participants in the plot

In addition to the reassignment of operatives, the plot saw a variety of potential suicide hijackers who never participated in the attacks. These al Qaeda members either backed out of their assignment, had trouble acquiring the necessary travel documentation, or were removed from the operation by al Qaeda leadership.

According to KSM, al Qaeda intended to use 25 or 26 hijackers for the 9/11 plot, as opposed to the 19 who actually participated. Even as late as the summer of 2001, KSM wanted to send as many operatives as possible to the United States in order to increase the chances for successful attacks, contemplating as many as seven or more hijackers per flight. We have identified at least nine candidate hijackers slated to be part of the 9/11 attacks at one time or another:

• Ali Abd al Rahman al Faqasi al Ghamdi and Zuhair al Thubaiti

- were both removed from the operation by al Qaeda leadership.
- Khalid Saeed Ahmad al Zahrani and Saeed Abdullah Saeed al Ghamdi, whom we discussed in Staff Statement No. 1, failed to acquire U.S. visas.
- Saeed al Baluchi and Qutaybah al Najdi both backed out after Najdi was stopped and briefly questioned by airport security officials in Bahrain.
- Saud al Rashid and Mushabib al Hamlan apparently withdrew under pressure from their families in Saudi Arabia.
- And, as discussed in Staff Statement No. 1, Mohamed Mani
 Ahmad al Kahtani was denied entry by U.S. officials at the airport in Orlando on August 4, 2001.

For the most part, these operatives appear to have been selected by Bin Ladin in Afghanistan and assigned to KSM in much the same manner as the others. All nine were Saudi nationals. A tenth individual, a Tunisian named Abderraouf Jdey, may have been a candidate to participate in the 9/11 attack, or he may have been a candidate to participate in a later attack. He withdrew, and we will discuss him later in connection with plans involving Moussaoui. None of these potential hijackers succeeded in joining the 19.

Internal disagreement: Atta, Jarrah and Moussaoui

Internal disagreement among the 9/11 plotters may have posed the greatest potential vulnerability for the plot. It appears that, during the summer of 2001, friction developed between Atta and Jarrah—two of the three Hamburg pilots—and that Jarrah may even have considered dropping out of the operation. What is more, it appears as if KSM may have been preparing another al Qaeda operative, Zacarlas Moussaoui, to take Jarrah's place.

Jarrah was different from the other Hamburg pilots, Atta and Shehhi. Given his background and personality, Jarrah seemed a relatively unlikely candidate to become an al Qaeda suicide operative. From an affluent family, he studied at private, Christian schools in Lebanon before deciding to study abroad in Germany. He knew the best nightclubs and discos in Beirut, and partied with fellow students in Germany, even drinking beer—a clear taboo for any religious Muslim. His serious involvement with his girlfriend, Aysel Senguen, and close family ties resulted in almost daily telephone conversations with them while he was in the United States. He took five overseas trips within a ten-month span before September 11.

Jarrah also appears to have projected a friendly, engaging personality while in the United States. Here he is, hair frosted, proudly displaying the pilot's certificate he received during his flight training in Florida.

Yet, this is the same person who, only a year earlier, had journeyed from Hamburg to Afghanistan and pledged to become one of Bin Ladin's suicide operatives.

Both KSM and Binalshibh have reported that Atta and Jarrah clashed over the extent of Jarrah's autonomy and involvement in planning the operation. Binalshibh believes the dispute stemmed, at least in part, from Jarrah's frequent visits to and contact with his girlfriend and his family. Further, unlike Atta and Shehhi—who had attended flight school together—Jarrah spent much of his time in the United States alone. Binalshibh was supposed to have trained with Jarrah but failed to obtain a U.S. visa. As a result, according to Binalshibh, Jarrah felt isolated and excluded from decision-making. Binalshibh claims he had to mediate between Atta and Jarrah.

Jarrah's final trip to see his girlfriend, from July 25 to August 5, 2001, is of particular interest. In contrast to his prior trips, this time Senguen bought him a one-way ticket to Germany. Moreover, it appears that Atta drove him to the airport in Miami, another unusual circumstance suggesting that something may have been amiss. Finally, according to Binalshibh, who met Jarrah at the airport in Duesseldorf, Jarrah said he needed to see Senguen right away. When he had time to meet with Binalshibh a few days later, the two of them had an emotional conversation during which Binalshibh encouraged Jarrah to see the plan through.

Perhaps the most significant evidence that Jarrah was reconsidering his participation in the 9/11 plot resides in communications that took place between KSM and Binalshibh in mid-July 2001. During the spring and summer of 2001, KSM had a number of conversations that appear to have concerned the 9/11 plot. Both KSM and Binalshibh confirm discussing the plot during their mid-July conversation, which occurred just a few days before Jarrah embarked on his last trip to Germany. At this point, Binalshibh had just returned from his meeting with Atta in Spain and was now reporting to KSM on the status of the plot. Concerned that Jarrah might drop out of the operation, KSM emphasized to Binalshibh the importance of ensuring peace between Jarrah and Atta. In the course of discussing this concern and the potential delay of the plot, moreover, KSM instructed Binalshibh to send "the skirts" to "Sally"—a coded reference instructing Binalshibh to send funds to Zacarias Moussaoui. Atta and Jarrah were referred to as an unhappy couple. KSM warned that if Jarrah "asks for a divorce, it is going to cost a lot of money."

There is good reason to believe that KSM wanted money sent to Moussaoui to prepare him as a potential substitute pilot in the event Jarrah dropped out. Moussaoui attended al Qaeda training camps in

Afghanistan. Sent to Malaysia in September 2000 by Bin Ladin and KSM to obtain pilot training, Moussaoui told terrorist associates there about his plans to crash a plane into the White House. He came to the United States in February 2001— armed with the fruits of Atta's flight school research—and started taking flight lessons at the Airman Flight School in Norman, Oklahoma, but stopped that training by early June. Shortly after he received \$14,000 from Binalshibh in early August, however, Moussaoui rushed into an intensive flight simulator course at Pan Am International Flight Academy in Eagan, Minnesota. At about this same time, he also purchased two knives and inquired of two GPS manufacturers whether their units could be converted for aeronautical use— actions that closely resembled those of the 9/11 hijackers during their final preparations for the attacks. Moussaoui's August 16, 2001 arrest ended his simulator training and may have prevented him from joining the 9/11 operation.

The reports of the interrogations of Binalshibh and KSM regarding Moussaoui are not entirely consistent. According to Binalshibh, he understood that KSM was instructing him to send the money to Moussaoui in July 2001 as part of the 9/11 plot. Moreover, recounting a post-9/11 discussion he had with KSM in Kandahar, Binalshibh says KSM referred to Moussaoui as if he had been part of the 9/11 plot, noting that Moussaoui was arrested because he was not sufficiently discreet and had been an exception to Bin Ladin's strong overall record of choosing the right operatives for the plot.

KSM, on the other hand, denies that Moussaoui was ever intended to be part of the 9/11 operation and was slated instead to participate in a so-called "second wave" of attacks on the West Coast after September 11. KSM also claims that Moussaoui never had any contact with Atta in the United States, and we have seen nothing to the contrary. Notably, however, KSM also claims that by the summer of 2001 he was too busy with the 9/11 plot to plan the second wave attacks. Moreover, he admits that only three potential pilots were recruited for the alleged second wave, Moussaoui, Abderraouf Jdey, also known as Faruq al Tunisi (a Canadian passport holder), and Zaini Zakaria, also known as Mussa. By the summer of 2001, both Jdey and Zaini already had backed out of the operation. The case of Jdey holds particular interest, as some evidence indicates that he may have been selected for the planes operation at the same time as the Hamburg group. In any event, Moussaoui's arrest did not cause the plot any difficulty. Jarrah returned to the United States on August 5 and, as subsequent events would demonstrate, clearly was resolved to complete the operation.

Timing and targets

The conspirators' selection of both the date and the targets for the

attacks provides another opportunity to examine the plot from within. Although Atta enjoyed wide discretion as tactical commander, Bin Ladin had strong opinions regarding both issues. The date of the attacks apparently was not chosen much more than three weeks before September 11. According to Binalshibh, when he met with Atta in Spain in mid-July, Atta could do no more than estimate that he would still need five to six weeks before he could pick a date. Then, in a mid-August phone call to Binalshibh, Atta conveyed the date for the attacks, which Binalshibh dutifully passed up his chain of command in a message personally delivered to Afghanistan by Hamburg associate Zakariya Essabar in late August.

Bin Ladin had been pressuring KSM for months to advance the attack date. According to KSM, Bin Ladin had even asked that the attacks occur as early as mid-2000, after Israeli opposition party leader Ariel Sharon caused an outcry in the Middle East by visiting a sensitive and contested holy site in Jerusalem that is sacred to both Muslims and Jews. Although Bin Ladin recognized that Atta and the other pilots had only just arrived in the United States to begin their flight training, the al Qaeda leader wanted to punish the United States for supporting Israel. He allegedly told KSM it would be sufficient simply to down the planes and not hit specific targets. KSM withstood this pressure, arguing that the operation would not be successful unless the pilots were fully trained and the hijacking teams were larger.

In 2001, Bin Ladin apparently pressured KSM twice more for an earlier date. According to KSM, Bin Ladin first requested a date of May 12, 2001, the seven-month anniversary of the Cole bombing. Then, when Bin Ladin learned from the media that Sharon would be visiting the White House in June or July 2001, he attempted once more to accelerate the operation. In both instances, KSM insisted that the hijacker teams were not yet ready. Other al Qaeda detainees also confirm that the 9/11 attacks were delayed during the summer of 2001, despite Bin Ladin's wishes. According to one operative, Khalid al Mihdhar disclosed that attacks had been delayed from May until July, and later from July until September. According to another al Qaeda member in Kandahar that summer, a general warning—much like the alert issued in the camps two weeks before the Cole bombing and ten days before the eventual 9/11 attacks—was issued in July or early August of 2001. As a result of this warning, many al Qaeda members dispersed with their families, internal security was increased, and Bin Ladin dropped out of sight for about 30 days until the alert was cancelled.

KSM claims he did not inform Atta or the other conspirators that Bin Ladin wanted to advance the date because he knew they would move forward when they were ready. Atta was very busy organizing the late

arriving operatives, coordinating the flight teams, and finalizing the targets. In fact, target selection appears to have influenced the timing of the attacks. As revealed by an Atta-Binalshibh communication at this time, recovered later from a computer captured with KSM, Atta selected a date after the first week of September so that the United States Congress would be in session.

According to KSM, the U.S. Capitol was indeed on the preliminary target list he had initially developed with Bin Ladin and Atef in the spring of 1999. That preliminary list also included the White House, the Pentagon, and the World Trade Center. KSM claims that while everyone agreed on the Capitol, he wanted to hit the World Trade Center whereas Bin Ladin favored the Pentagon and the White House.

Binalshibh confirms that Bin Ladin preferred the White House over the Capitol, a preference he made sure to convey to Atta when they met in Spain in the summer of 2001. Atta responded that he believed the White House posed too difficult a target, but that he was waiting for Hani Hanjour and Nawaf al Hazmi to assess its feasibility. On July 20, Hanjour—likely accompanied by Hazmi—rented a plane and took a practice flight from Fairfield, New Jersey to Gaithersburg, Maryland, a route that would have allowed them to fly near Washington, DC. When Binalshibh pressed Atta to retain the White House as a target during one of their communications in 'early August, Atta agreed but said he would hold the Capitol in reserve as an alternate target, in case the White House proved impossible. Based on another exchange between Atta and Binalshibh, as late as September 9—two days before the attacks—the conspirators may still have been uncertain about which Washington target they would strike.

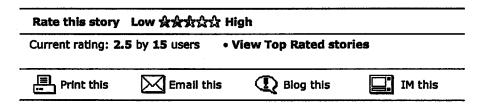
Dissent among al Qaeda leaders

The attitude of the al Qaeda leadership toward the 9/11 plot represents one last area for insight. As Atta made his final preparations during the summer of 2001, dissent emerged among al Qaeda leaders in Afghanistan over whether to proceed with the attack. Although access to details of the plot was carefully guarded, word started to spread during the summer of 2001 that an attack against the United States was imminent. According to KSM, he was widely known within al Qaeda to be planning some kind of operation against the United States. Many were even aware that he had been preparing operatives to go to the United States, as reported by a CIA source in June 2001. Moreover, that summer Bin Ladin made several remarks hinting at an upcoming attack, which spawned rumors throughout the jihadist community worldwide. For instance, KSM claims that, in a speech at the al Faruq training camp in Afghanistan, Bin Ladin specifically urged trainees to pray for the success of an upcoming attack involving 20 martyrs.

With news of an impending attack against the United States gaining wider circulation, a rift developed within al Qaeda's leadership. Although Bin Ladin wanted the operation to proceed as soon as possible, several senior al Qaeda figures thought they should follow the position taken by their Afghan host, Taliban leader Mullah Omar, who opposed attacking the United States. According to one al Qaeda member, when Bin Ladin returned after the general alert in late July, he spoke to his confidants about problems he was having with Omar's unwillingness to allow any further attacks against the United States from Afghanistan.

KSM claims that Omar opposed attacking the United States for ideological reasons but permitted attacks against Jewish targets. KSM denies that Omar's opposition reflected concern about U.S. retaliation but notes that the Taliban leader was under pressure from the Pakistani government to keep al Qaeda from engaging in operations outside Afghanistan. While some senior al Qaeda figures opposed the 9/11 operation out of deference to Omar, others reportedly expressed concern that the U.S. would respond militarily.

Bin Ladin, on the other hand, reportedly argued that attacks against the United States needed to be carried out immediately to support the insurgency in the Israeli occupied territories and to protest the presence of U.S. military forces in Saudi Arabia. Bin Ladin also thought that an attack against the United States would reap al Qaeda a recruiting and fundraising bonanza. In his thinking, the more al Qaeda did, the more support it would gain. Although he faced opposition from many of his most senior advisers—including Shura council members Shaykh Saeed, Sayf al Adi, and Abu Hafs the Mauritanian—Bin Ladin effectively overruled their objections, and the attacks went forward.



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Place of

New Mexico, United States¹

Birth Gender

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Narrative and Notes

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Imam at Rabat Mosque in San Diego
 In 2000; imam at Dar al-Hijrah Mosque in Falls Church, Virginia, in mid-2001.
 Served as spiritual adviser to Nawaf

al-Hazmi and Khalid al-Mihdhar in San Diego, and Hazmi again in Virginia.

In interviews, recognized Hazmi's

picture but said he didn't recall his name.

He acknowledged meeting Hazmi several times, describing him as a soft-spoken, private Saudi student.

 Grew up in Yemen and studied in the United States on a Yemeni government

scholarship.1

Questionable

 The 9-11 commissioners said they did not have enough information to reach any conclusions about Aulaqi's relationship with the two hijackers and presumably whether he had any foreknowledge of the attacks.¹

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Anwar Aulaqi was a young and soft-spoken imam, although he has had a history of ties to radicals, including 9/11 hijackers.

Was a GW Chaplain a 9/11 Terrorist?

by John McCormack August 28, 2005

"We came here to build, not destroy.... We are the bridge between America and 1 billion Muslims worldwide." As the rubble and human remains of the 9/11 attack on the Pentagon lay smoldering a mere five miles down the road, these words rang forth from the Dar al-Hijrah mosque in Falls Church, Virginia.

The imam who spoke in apparent horror that day was Anwar N. Aulaqi, a man who also served as the GW Muslim Students' Association (MSA) chaplain during the fall of 2001. But Imam Aulaqi was adept at speaking out of both sides of his mouth. According to the Washington Post, Aulaqi described 9/11 as "an attack on American foreign policy" and suggested on Islamonline.net that Israelis may have been the true 9/11

hijackers in the week following the attack. Despite such rhetoric, it appears few knew that at least two of the 9/11 hijackers had worshipped at Dar al-Hijrah and developed significant relations with Anwar Aulaqi over the course of nearly two years. This connection has led many to question whether Aulaqi, a young and respected imam once responsible for ministering to students at GW, had knowingly aided and abetted the 9/11 terrorists in their murderous plot.

Connection with a possible Saudi spy

The beginning of that relationship takes us to California where Aulaqi first made contact with two al-Qaeda operatives, Nawaf al-Hazmi and Khalid al-Mihdhar, who would one day crash American Airlines Flight 77 into the Pentagon. On February 4, 2000, four phone calls were placed between Aulaqi's phone and the phone of a man named Omar al-Bayoumi who spent that day securing the financial and living arrangements of the two would be hijackers. The 9/11 Commission Report details al-Bayoumi's claim that he met the 9/11 hijackers—by chance—

in a restaurant on February 1. Only a few days later on February 4, he wrote the hijackers a \$9,900 certified check (in exchange for cash) that they needed to open a bank account and place a deposit on an apartment in San Diego.

Although the 9/11 Commission regards al-Bayoumi as a devout Muslim unaware of the hijackers' plans, the *New York Times* has noted that the separate 9/11 Congressional intelligence report reveals that "one of the F.B.I.'s best sources in San Diego informed the F.B.I. that he thought that al-Bayoumi must be an intelligence officer" for the Saudis. It further states that al-Bayoumi "had access to seemingly unlimited funding from Saudi Arabia" and that the money flow "increased significantly after Mr. al-Bayoumi came in contact with the two hijackers in early 2000."

A 3,000 mile coincidence

While it is unknown what Aulaqi and the possible Saudi spy discussed on February 4, the 9/11 hijackers struck up a relationship with Aulaqi shortly after establishing themselves in an apartment near his mosque outside San Diego. The 9/11 Commission Report states that the two future hijackers developed a deep respect for Imam Aulaqi as a spiritual leader during closed door meetings they had with him. One has to question whether the hijackers would have associated with an unsympathetic imam as they prepared themselves spiritually for "martyrdom."

During the summer of 2000, Aulaqi left his San Diego mosque and had relocated to Falls Church by January 2001. There he began preaching at Dar al-Hijrah mosque and studying at GW's human resources development doctoral program, according to Paul Sperry's controversial new book *Infiltration*. Further increasing suspicion surrounding Aulaqi, 9/11 hijacker Hazmi—now accompanied by 9/11 kamikaze pilot Hani Hanjour—relocated to Falls Church just three months after Aulaqi had settled in.

And then came a day of fire

The 9/11 Commission Report states that Aulaqi's Falls Church mosque became a particular point of interest shortly after September 11, when it was learned some hijackers had worshipped there. Aulaqi was interviewed by the FBI during the month of September and claimed to recognize the pictures of some of the hijackers but not their names. In addition, Aulaqi denied that he was in contact with the hijackers in Virginia, a statement now believed to be false. Despite Aulaqi's denials, both FBI agents and the 9/11 commissioners suspect that Aulaqi helped the 9/11 hijackers in Virginia by tasking a member of his mosque to find the hijackers an apartment in Alexandria.

Prior to September 11, members of the GW MSA asked Imam Aulaqi to serve as the MSA chaplain after hearing of Aulaqi's local fame as a talented leader, thinker and orator. Amna Rani, a GW MSA executive board member in 2001, informed me that Aulaqi's involvement AWLAKI-1007

with the MSA was fairly limited. Aulaqi became close with a couple of students who could not be reached for comment. Other than attending a meeting or two with the GW board of chaplains, Rani stated that Aulaqi only taught a course on Muhammad for a few weeks after 9/11. He then stopped his ministry to GW students altogether without explanation. However, Aulaqi continued to frequent GW's campus, taking doctoral classes until the end of the fall 2001 semester.

Missed opportunities

As the 9/11 investigation progressed, the FBI wanted to bring Aulaqi in for further questioning but lacked evidence to do so. According to *US News and World Report*, "FBI sources say agents observed the imam [Aulaqi] allegedly taking Washington-area prostitutes into Virginia and contemplated using a federal statute usually reserved for nabbing pimps who transport prostitutes across state lines." The FBI's plans fell apart when Aulaqi left the country for Yemen in March of 2002.

Paul Sperry reveals, however, that Federal agents got a second chance to detain Aulaqi, when he returned to America purportedly to liquidate his assets on October 10, 2002. Aulaqi popped up on the terror watch list when he entered New York's JFK Airport due to a separate suspicion of fundraising for Islamist terrorists. But Aulaqi was released after a few hours because the warrant to detain him had been removed by government officials the day before his arrival on October 9, 2002. A mere two months later, the chagrined FBI would reopen its investigation of Aulaqi after the 9/11 Congressional report was released.

Going forward

Today, Aulaqi's whereabouts are unknown, although he is suspected of remaining in Yemen. At this time there is not enough evidence to charge Anwar Aulaqi as a 9/11 conspirator in an American court. Indeed, it is possible that he was unaware of the 9/11 plot. In a phone interview, Aulaqi's friend and fellow imam at Dar al-Hijrah, Johari Abdul Malik, contended that the connections between Aulaqi and the hijackers lack any substance: "If someone goes to a James Brown concert in California, and then goes to a James Brown concert in Virginia, and then commits murder six months later; it doesn't make sense to accuse James Brown of murder."

But there is reason to be especially suspicious of Aulaqi's story. At the very least, he has had a history of running with the wrong crowd. His ties range from the 9/11 hijackers to HAMAS leaders and heads of major terrorist financing "charities." As early as 1999, the FBI had briefly investigated Aulaqi after learning he may have been contacted by a procurement agent of Osama bin Laden. Further, the 9/11 Commission Report contends that hijackers "Hazmi and Mihdhar were ill-prepared for a mission in the United States," concluding that it is unlikely the two "would have come to the United States without arranging to receive assistance from AWLAKI-1008

one or more individuals informed in advance of their arrival."

Currently, the GW MSA is looking for a new chaplain. MSA President Mehdi Alhassani informed me that the MSA executive board is solely responsible for selecting the new chaplain and will make sure to examine candidates carefully. Unlike Anwar Aulaqi, Mehdi Alhassani is unequivocal in his denunciation of terrorism: "Anybody who was involved in 9/11 attack, we completely condemn them...We as Muslims aren't caught in the middle between terrorism and America. Terrorism is the enemy of Islam. Those terrorists are killing Iraqi children, Egyptians, Moroccans—they don't care who they kill."

While Aulaqi's guilt or innocence may never be established, one thing is clear in the war against Islamist terrorism: We need a lot more Mehdi Alhassanis and a lot fewer Anwar Aulaqis.

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Prior to the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, all 19 of the terrorists had been living in the U.S. for several months, some for more than a year. They obtained visas, signed apartment leases, shopped, prayed at mosques, rented cars and bought airline tickets.

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Could they have done so — especially those who did not speak English — without help from American

citizens? It is one of the top unanswered questions lingering about the 9/11 attacks.

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"It seems to me that there was some other support mechanism there," said Roger Cressey, who was director of transnational threats for President Bush's National Security Council. "Now, did that support mechanism know what these individuals were going to do? We don't know. But I think there was something here in the United States they relied upon."

The 9/11 commission found there was "no evidence" the hijackers received help from U.S. citizens who knew about the plot.

"It is still an open question whether the people in the United States who helped the hijackers were witting or unwitting," former 9/11 commission member Jamie Gorelick recently told "Hardball."

Analysts point out that just because there is "no evidence" doesn't mean it didn't happen.

"You're exactly into the area where you don't know what you don't know," said Michael Scheuer, a 22-year CIA veteran. "Which is one of the reasons that when the FBI says, we have no evidence of al-Qalda cells in the United States, it sounds reassuring to Americans, but it basically means we haven't found them yet. To assume that they're not here is an extraordinarily dangerous thing to do."

Many questions have focused on two of the 19 hijackers, Nawaw al Hazmi and Khalid al-Mihdhar. AWLAKI- 1010



They were among the first four al-Qaida members Osama bin Laden chose for the plot. Hazmi and Mihdhar settled in San Diego in February 2000, about 18 months before 9/11. According to the 9/11 report, Khalid Sheik Mohammed, who helped organize the attack, "instructed Hazmi and Mihdhar to pose as newly arrived Saudi students and seek assistance at local mosques."

Hazmi and Mihdhar made friends in San Diego. One friend investigated by the FBI — Mohdar Abdullah — was among those students who "appear to have held extremist sympathies." The 9/11 report says he helped Hazmi and Mihdhar get driver's licenses and enroll in English classes.

Shortly after 9/11, Abdullah told the FBI he knew nothing about the plot. Later, while being held on immigration charges, Abdullah reportedly bragged to fellow inmates that he had advance knowledge of the attacks. The FBI could not corroborate the story.

Abdullah was not charged, though he was eventually deported to Yemen.

The 9/11 report declared, "Our inability to ascertain the activities of Hazmi and Mindhar during their first two weeks in the United States may reflect al-Qaida tradecraft designed to protect the identity of anyone who may have assisted them during that period."

In the months that followed, Hazmi and Mindhar also befriended another man in California, Anwar Aulaqi, a religious leader who soon moved to Virginia. Eventually, Hazmi himself moved to Virginia and showed up at Aulaqi's mosque.

Along the way, did Aulaqi or any other Muslims know what any of the 19 would-be hijackers were planning?

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"I suspect they didn't simply because al-Qaida is very, very good at compartmentalizing information," Scheuer said. "They don't talk a lot about what they are going to do until after the fact when they explain pretty intricately what they, what they did do. But those boys were there for a while."

The terrorists did have their share of setbacks leading up to 9/11. Hazmi and Mihdhar were supposed to improve their English and learn how to fly. They failed.

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Still, on 9/11, they boarded American Airlines Flight 77 and helped three other terrorists seize control of the cockpit. Then, the hijackers crashed the aircraft into the Pentagon.

Again, the 9/11 commission says there is "no evidence" the hijackers received help from anybody in the U.S. who knew about the plot. But it's a question that has long bothered investigators.

Investigators are also convinced that there was supposed to be one more hijacker involved in the plot. This is the so-called "20th hijacker." We will examine the questions about who that may be in our third report on Friday.

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Yemeni Man Asserts He Didn't Know of Plot

By Dan Eggen Washington Post Staff Writer Tuesday, August 10, 2004; Page A01

Mohdar Abdullah knows what the Sept. 11 commission says about him. That he was "perfectly suited to assist the hijackers in pursuing their mission." That he "expressed hatred for the U.S. government."

Perhaps most damning, the panel's best-selling report alleges that Abdullah may have bragged to inmates that he knew about the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks in advance and that he told the FBI, "The U.S. brought this on themselves."

Abdullah, now 25 and back in his homeland of Yemen after his deportation from the United States in May, called the report "propaganda" and said he is the victim of U.S. investigators looking for someone to blame. He said he had no inkling in the summer of 2001 that two friends, Khalid Almihdhar and Nawaf Alhazmi, were about to take part in the deadliest terrorist assault on U.S. soil.

"If I could have done anything to prevent this heinous attack from happening, I would have done it," Abdullah said in a telephone interview with The Washington Post arranged by his attorney last week. "I was going to school, I was working, I was building my own future

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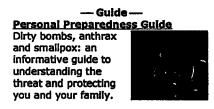
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over there. I considered it my own land, and that's how I behaved towards it.... I was quite happy living in America until this happened."

The comments stand in stark contrast to the 567-page commission report, which portrays Abdullah as perhaps the most suspicious acquaintance to befriend two of the hijackers during their time



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in Southern California. While the commission largely absolves other hijacker associates of wrongdoing, it casts Abdullah as a central figure in the hijackers' San Diego stay and strongly suggests that he may have been an al Qaeda operative placed there to help the plot.

"Abdullah... is fluent in both Arabic and English, and was perfectly suited to assist the hijackers in pursuing their mission," according to the report. It adds later that "Abdullah has emerged as a key associate of" Alhazmi and Almihdhar in San Diego.

Abdullah's story highlights one of the enduring debates of the Sept. 11 attacks: how the terrorists managed to train for the assaults, conduct surveillance and accomplish their mission — all, apparently, without assistance in the plot from anyone in the United States. The FBI, after an exhaustive check of possible accomplices, including Abdullah, supports that scenario. Others, including the commission and a House-Senate inquiry panel, have challenged the FBI's conclusion.

Abdullah said he offered his hijacker friends no assistance with the plot and does not know anyone who did.

Abdullah, whose English is sprinkled with American colloquialisms after six years of living in the United States, said he "was very surprised" the commission "even brought me up."

"I was in custody for nearly three years and no one came up to me and said, 'Hey, we think you were involved,' " he said. "This has got me very upset. It is very unfair, and it's ruining my life."

Abdullah's San Diego attorney, Randall B. Hamud, said his client remains a virtual captive in Yemen's capital, Sanaa, where he is under constant surveillance by the government.

Abdullah was arrested as a material witness in late September 2001. He spent 32 months in U.S. jails and prisons as the FBI and the

Justice Department investigated his ties to Almihdhar, Alhazmi and a network of immigrant friends, all of whom congregated around the Rabat mosque in a suburb of San Diego.

Commission investigators complained that they were never able to interview Abdullah before he was deported. Abdullah refused to cooperate, and the Justice Department declined to grant him immunity from prosecution to compel his cooperation. The panel also is critical of the government's decision to allow Abdullah's deportation, arguing that unanswered questions about his case require further examination.

Abdullah's first alleged contact with Alhazmi and Almihdhar came in February 2000. According to the commission, he may have driven them from Los Angeles to San Diego. Abdullah denies it. The two would-be hijackers sought out another person they had met recently in Los Angeles, Omar Bayoumi, at the Islamic Center of San Diego.

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The hijackers later found their way to the Rabat mosque, a humble building nestled amid palm trees and ranch homes in La Mesa, 10 miles from the well-established and, by reputation, more moderate Islamic Center of San Diego. On a recent Friday, as families crowded the Islamic Center, the Rabat mosque appeared almost abandoned, its gates locked and mailbox overflowing. (A radical Yemeni imam at the Rabat mosque in 2000, Anwar Aulaqi, would later lead the Dar al Hijra mosque in Falls Church, which Alhazmi attended.)

Until the commission report, Bayoumi had been the primary focus of speculation about potential Sept. 11 accomplices in San Diego and was identified as an alleged al Qaeda associate and Saudi spy by a congressional inquiry in 2003. The Sept. 11 commission, by contrast, found "no credible evidence that he believed in violent extremism" and concluded that Bayoumi was an "unlikely candidate" to be involved in an al Qaeda plot.

Abdullah, the report strongly suggests, is a more likely accomplice.

According to the commission report, which cites FBI interviews and other investigative material, Abdullah admitted that he knew Alhazmi and Almihdhar were extremists and that Almihdhar had been involved with the Islamic Army of Aden, a group linked to al Qaeda. The report also says Abdullah "clearly was sympathetic to those extremist views."AWLAKI-1016

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When he was detained as a material witness after the 2001 attacks, the commission says, FBI agents found a notebook in his possession that had been written by someone else but described "planes falling from the sky, mass killing and hijacking." The report also says Abdullah showed hatred toward the U.S. government and made the statement about the attacks being brought upon the United States.

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In the interview, Abdullah strenuously disputed those

characterizations. He said that he had no idea Alhazmi and Almihdhar "had associations with any group or had evil plans towards the United States," and that he is "committed to my religion but not to the point of extremism at all."

The commission is particularly alarmed by reports earlier this year from two immates housed with Abdullah in the California prison system, who alleged that Abdullah told them in the fall of 2003 "that he had known" Alhazmi and Almihdhar "were planning a terrorist attack." The two immates' stories are not consistent, however.

In one version, Abdullah bragged that he had been told that the two hijackers were part of an attack before they arrived in the United States. In the other, Abdullah allegedly said that he was told of the plot after Alhazmi and Almihdhar arrived in San Diego and that the hijackers "invited him to join them on the plane." The second inmate also said that Abdullah claimed to have found out about the attacks three weeks in advance.

The panel noted evidence that Alhazmi, who had left San Diego, may have called Abdullah about that time; that Abdullah stopped making calls from his cell phone after Aug. 25, 2001; and that friends reported "he started acting strangely." The report also recounts an unconfirmed witness account that Abdullah and others "behaved suspiciously" on Sept. 10, 2001, at a Texaco station where they worked, giving each other "high-fives" after one said, "It is finally going to happen."

One senior commission official called the findings "troubling" and said Abdullah's case "deserves a much deeper investigation."

The Justice Department and the FBI take a different view, arguing AWLAKI-1017

that Abdullah's case has been exhaustively investigated and that the claims of the two jailhouse informants, in particular, do not check out.

"The investigation to date has determined that there is no evidence to corroborate information that Mohdar Abdullah had prior knowledge of the 9/11 attacks," the FBI said in a statement. "The FBI continues an active investigation of Mohdar Abdullah and any connection to the 9/11 attacks."

One senior FBI official said there are numerous inconsistencies in the inmates' claims and that investigators are not even certain both prisoners had close contact with Abdullah. The FBI's Sept. 11 investigative team did not oppose allowing Abdullah to return to Yemen, the official said.

"There's nobody who feels we've lost someone here," the official said.

Abdullah made no claims about prior knowledge of the attacks, he and his attorney said. They contend that the two inmates are attempting to use Abdullah's notoriety as a "Sept. 11 detainee" to their advantage.

"It's scurrilous for the committee to include in its report the spurious fantasies of jailhouse snitches trying to cut themselves a better deal with prosecutors," Abdullah lawyer Hamud said. If federal officials had any evidence linking Abdullah to the Sept. 11 plot, Hamud said, "you can be assured they would have prosecuted him."

Abdullah said he gave Alhazmi and Almihdhar tips on how to obtain driver's licenses and other advice because it is "an obligation" for Muslims to help one another and because neither spoke English or knew the country well. As far as his behavior in August 2001, Abdullah said he does not remember acting strangely, "but I was under a lot of stress because of monetary issues and stuff like that." He denied taking part in any celebration at the gas station.

Abdullah had just transferred from Grossmont College in El Cajon, where he studied business administration, to San Diego State University, where he had planned to study information systems when he was arrested. Now he is living with his parents and attempting to find a job.

Abdullah said he was brought back to Sanaa under armed guard and held in a Yemeni jail for about a month after his deportation.

"I still can't understand how this all happened to me," Abdullah said.

"I had a life that was well established, and somehow they ruined it."

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Staff writer Rene Sanchez in San Diego contributed to this report.

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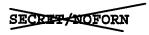
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Individual, who is in a position to testify, provided the information:

Individual met ANWAR AULAOI at an Islamic conference in Leicester, England. AULAQI, and several other prominent Imams where speakers at the conference.

Individual used to have AULAQI's phone number because, at the time, Individual used to have AULAQI's phone number because, at Individual had planned on inviting AULAQI to lecture in Boston.

AULAQI has two famous lecture tapes that Individual used to sell. The first is a lecture about the lives of all the

to sell. The first is a lecture about the lives of all the prophets in Islam from Adam to Muhammad. The second is a lecture regarding the life hereafter and the signs predicting the upcoming day of judgement. Later, Individual stopped dealing with AULAQI when he (Individual) learned of AULAQI's connections to the Muslim Brotherhood.

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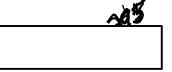
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- (U) Reliable San Diego asset reporting and witness interviews showed that AL-MIHDHAR and Al-HAZMI attended the Al-Ribat Mosque and associated with AULAQI. From asset reporting and witness interviews, Saudi OMAR AL-BAYOUMI, Yemeni MOHDAR ABDULLAH and ANWAR AULAQI are mentioned as introducing NAWAF AL-HAZMI and/or KHALID AL-MIHDHAR to others in San Diego.
 - (U) When interviewed in September 2001, ANWAR AULAQI stated he recognized a photograph of NAWAF AL-HAZMI. AULAQI identified him as a Saudi from Mecca that he knew from the Al-Ribat mosque in San Diego. AULAQI remembered having an association with AL-







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HAZMI, but said he had not seen AL-HAZMI since he left California in 2000. AULAQI appears to have left San Diego in August 2000 and made overseas trips before settling in Virginia in January 2001. An individual who assisted NAWAF AL-HAZMI and other September 11, 2001 hijackers look for an apartment and obtain illegal Virginia driver's licenses, EYAD ALRABABAH, advised that he met HANI HANJOUR and NAWAF AL-HAZMI at a 7-11 in Falls Church, Virginia. ALRABABAH later stated that he met HANI HANJOUR and NAWAF AL-HAZMI at the Dar Al-Hijrah mosque with ANWAR AULAQI. ALRABABAH identified a photograph of AULAQI and stated he was at the Dar Al-Hijrah mosque in March 2001 when ALRABABAH met HANJOUR and AL-HAZMI.

- (U) AULAQI left the United States in the early part of 2002. Significant information regarding AULAQI has developed since this time and since the time he was interviewed in September 2001. Since AULAQI was never thoroughly debriefed or interviewed regarding his association with September 11, 2001 hijackers NAWAF AL-HAZMI and KHALID AL-MIHDHAR; his overseas travel in 2000-2001; his association with the San Diego Al-Ribat Mosque, San Diego subjects, and San Diego associates of September 11, 2001 hijackers NAWAF AL-HAZMI and KHALID AL-MIHDHAR, San Diego requests access to interview AULAQI
- (U) San Diego is providing Legat with the below tear line requesting access to interview AULAQI. It is unknown at this time whether the interview will take one or two days or if a polygraph will be conducted. Specific requests from San Diego will be made after approval for access to AULAQI is obtained from Yemen officials.
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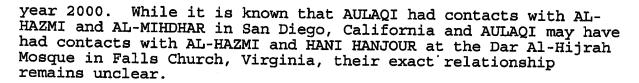
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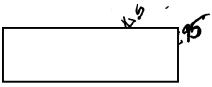
Re: ANWAR NASSER AULAQI, aka ANWAR AL-AWLAKI, ABU ATIQ

Dear Sir:

We appreciate the long-standing and successful relationship between our offices. We respectfully request your office's assistance in obtaining information on a pending United States investigation, on ANWAR NASSER AULAQI, aka ANWAR AL-AWLAKI, ABU ATIQ.

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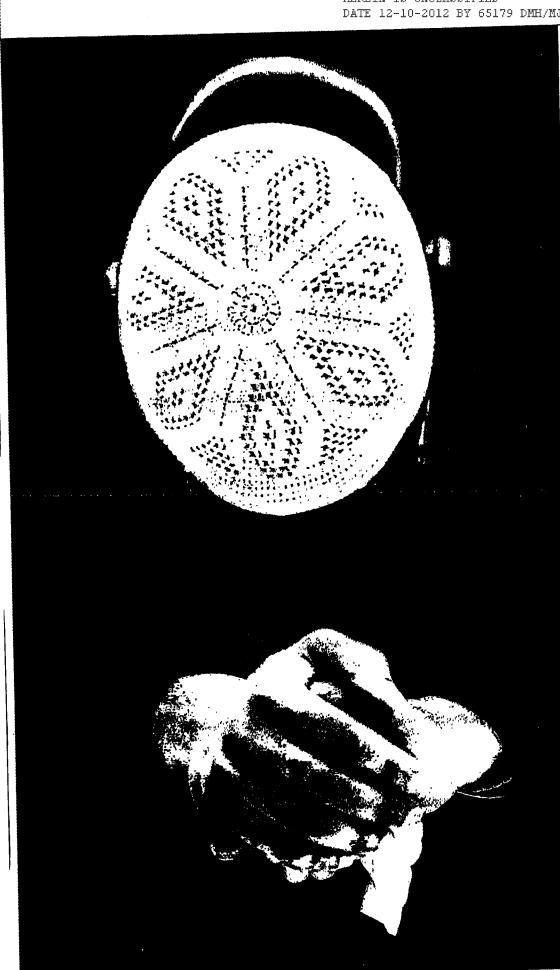
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Respectfully,

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"It was September 12, the day after the attacks. Religious leaders had called an interfaith prayer meeting at the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center in Falls Church, where Sheikh Anwar al-Awlaki was the imam. The mosque had closed to worshipers because of threats. I like that the imam's face is hidden; it shows the grief that Muslims felt but also their fear that people might think they were responsible for the tragedy." Andrea Bruce WOODALL, Washington Post



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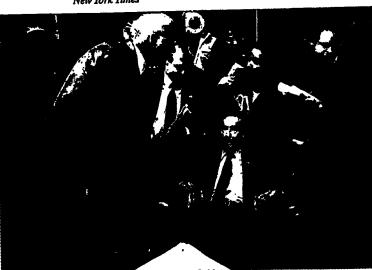
"This is the fifth day of Wizards training camp. The media was allowed to see only the last few minutes of practice, and Michael was already done for the day. That was a drag-who wants a picture of Michael Jordan sitting on the bench? After each practice, they put him against the folded-back bleachers and arrange a semicircle of chairs around him to keep reporters at a distance. He had about six feet of breathing space."

ROBERT A. REEDER,
Washington Post

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"The anthrax scare had closed Hill offices, and the Senate Judiciary Committee crammed into a reception area off the floor. Pat Leahy was talking to reporters over the top of Strom Thurmond. I've received more requests for copies of this picture than any I've ever taken. A lot of people say it looks like a Dutch master's painting."

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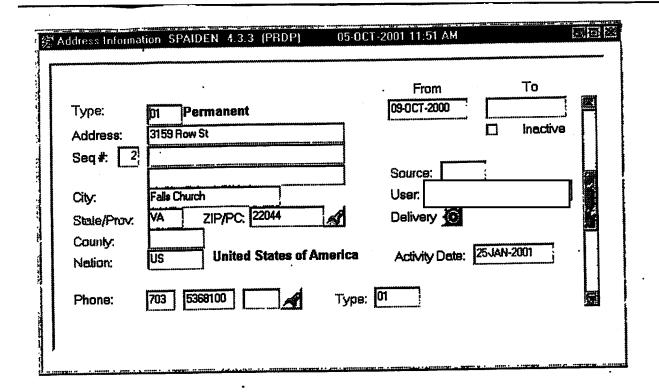
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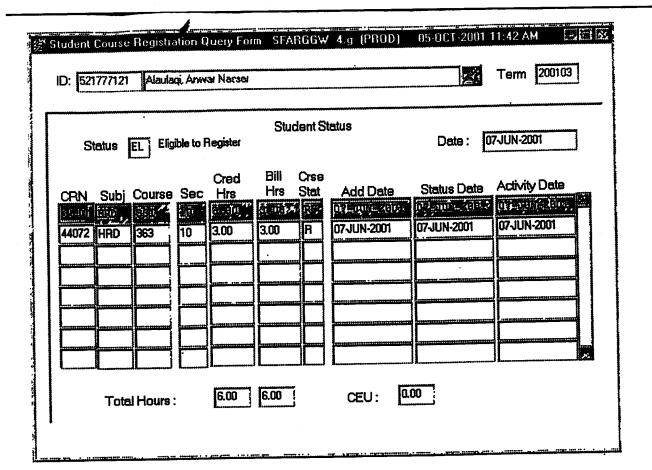
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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to confirm that Mr. Anwar Alaulaqi will be sponsored for a Ph.D. degree under the auspices of a World Bank Community College Project in Yemen. This project will pay for Mr. Alaulaqi's tuition and fees, books, health insurance, and living cost while he is pursuing a Ph.D. degree program.

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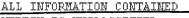
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July 19, 2000

Doctoral Screening Committee:

This letter is a recommendation for Mr. Anwar Al-Aulaqi who is applying to your doctoral program in Educational Leadership. I have had the pleasure of knowing Anwar for two years. He was my advisee in our MA in Educational Leadership program and he was a student in a few of my postsecondary education classes.

Anwar is an excellent candidate for your program. He is very, very bright and very hard working. He has an excellent command of English and his work is always of high quality. Anwar brings a unique perspective to class discussions and the work he produces. His background in Engineering and recent experiences in Educational Leadership have contributed to his expanding knowledge base and the way he approaches assignments.

When Mr. Al-Aulaqi completes his studies in the US he will become an educational leader in the higher education system in Yemen. In all probability he will either lead one of the new community colleges in his country or work in a university preparing leaders for the new postsecondary education system in Yemen. Either way, Anwar will be a success in your program and in his professional life.

It has been a real pleasure for me to have had Anwar as a student and to get to know him as a colleague. It also was a pleasure to read Anwar's work and listen to his participation in class. His peers in the classes looked to Anwar as a leader and always welcomed his participation in group projects and class discussions.

In short, Anwar will make an outstanding doctoral student in your program. He will be successful and become a credit to your program. He has my unqualified recommendation for admittance into your Ed.D. in Educational Leadership program.

Sincerely.		
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Statement of Purpose

The number of students who took the high school general examinations, in the Republic of Yemen, for the 1989/90 academic year was over 52,000 students. I was among the top 20 students in the whole nation. Because of my high scores, I was granted a full scholarship to the US. My inclination was towards human and social sciences. But the tradition was that students with high grades should go into medicine or engineering. I was discouraged so much from going into any other field but medicine or engineering. I definitely didn't want to go into the medical field, so I opted for civil engineering. What made me choose engineering, even though that wasn't my interest, is that I was the only student in the Republic of Yemen who received a full score in Physics. I also did very well in math. That was the case throughout my K-12 years. That made me assume that I belonged to engineering.

I started my undergraduate program in Civil Engineering at Colorado State University. I did pretty well in the beginning but then my grades kept on declining the more I felt that engineering wasn't my field. I wasn't enjoying my major at all. At the same time I was enjoying and doing well in the elective courses, which I handpicked to satisfy my true desires.

Even though it was hard for me to continue in engineering, I graduated with the intention of either doing my own readings in other fields, or going into graduate school in a different major. As soon as I graduated I came across a golden opportunity. The World Bank was sponsoring a community college project in Yemen. The project included the construction of four community colleges in Yemen and the training of the administrators and instructors of the colleges. That provided me with an opportunity to enter into the field I loved most: Teaching.

I served as an elementary teacher for one year after high school as part of a national requirement in Yemen. There was a law that stated that all high school graduates should serve the country for one year. The graduates with high grades would serve as teachers in rural areas, and the rest of the high school graduates would serve in the military. Since my grades were high I served as a teacher. That was my first exposure to the field of teaching, and I loved it. Now, almost seven years later, opportunity is knocking on my door. I applied for a scholarship in this new program and I was accepted. However, the program went through some hardships that delayed it for 2 years. That meant that I had to wait for the scholarship from 1995 to 1997. Nevertheless, I persisted and was able to hang on throughout that period until the project started.

I visited Dr at San Diego State
University to take a look at the curriculum. I wanted to make sure that this is
what I want. I did not want to repeat my undergraduate experience. I was very
much impressed with the Educational Leadership program. I applied to SDSU
and was admitted. Now after I finished the program I can say that it has
fulfilled my initial expectations and more.

Coming from an engineering background, it was a bit difficult to get accustomed to the new environment of education. The amount of reading required was not a problem because I am an avid reader anyway. But the amount of writing required was a challenge. At the end of my program, during my portfolio review, my advisor commented on the great improvement in my writing, compared to when I started the program. I was able to overcome all the burdens in my way and after spending 18 months in the program, I can say with full confidence that this is what I want to do.

The community college project administrators in Yemen were very happy with my progress (I am including a recommendation letter from the head of the project), therefore they are granting me a full scholarship to pursue a doctorate degree. They wanted me to start immediately. The reason why I didn't is because I wanted to thoroughly investigate my options. I spent lengthy days and nights surfing the net, visiting one university website to another. My research included universities from all over the country. The only curriculum that perfectly satisfied my aspirations was the HRD program at GWU. The HRD program would be a perfect addition to my MA in Educational Leadership. My focus in my masters degree was to establish a solid foundation in the field of education. That can be noticed through the choice of elective courses I've taken.

The HRD program would provide me with the needed knowledge and skills to successfully foster and develop newly established educational institutions. My interest is in a broad multi-disciplined course of study rather than a narrow one. A broad knowledge base in human resource development, administration, organization, instructional methods, adult learning, leadership, and educational technology will serve me more than a narrow focus on a particular field. This is due to the nature of educational institutions in an underdeveloped country such as Yemen.

My research interests would be in the integration of the different skills and knowledge learned in the program.

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BS in Civil Engineering from Colorado State University. (June 1994)

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AL-QAEDA'S INTELLECTUAL LEGACY: NEW RADICAL ISLAMIC THINKING JUSTIFYING THE GENOCIDE OF INFIDELS

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- The Islamic victory over the USSR in Afghanistan, the creation of the al-Qaeda global network, and the spread of Islam in many Western countries are seen as signs of an Islamic awakening that from the radical Islamist perspective may lead to the restoration of Islam as the world's most dominant power.
- In this emerging world order, Christians and Jews are no longer protected minorities under Islam. As a result, there is a dangerous trend among militant Islamist clerical authorities, especially from Saudi Arabia, justifying not only acts of terrorism against individuals, but also mass murder against whole groups of people regarded as infidels. Their call for the complete extermination of peoples means they have moved ideologically toward the justification of genocide.
- Jihad against America is the realization of "the right of self-defense" in retaliation for the terrorist war waged by the United States against the nation of Islam. Based on the Islamic principle, one al-Qaeda leader argues that Muslims have the right to kill four million Americans, while a Saudi scholar argues for killing ten million.
- The citizens in democratic Western countries become full participants in governmental decision-making by voting in elections and therefore they are no longer considered "non-combatants." Democracy is a prohibited innovation that contradicts Islamic values and embodies a new heretical religion.
- An official al-Qaeda publication presents a new, comprehensive concept of total extermination of Islam's enemies. Al-Qaeda's Saudi clerics are also having a growing influence on other militant groups, from Hamas to Chechen groups to the mujahideen in western Iraq: their legal rulings appear on the websites of these organizations in Arabic.

There has only been a partial moderation of these trends as a byproduct
of Saudi Arabia's internal struggle with al-Qaeda since May 12, 2003;
some clerics have called for discontinuing the practice of takfir - branding
Muslims as infidels worthy of destruction. But they have not altered their
harsh doctrine against Christians and Jews.

Seeing the West as "God's Enemy"

Global terrorism sprouted and thrived in the strongholds of radical Islam. Islamic scholar Bernard Lewis, in "The Roots of Muslim Rage," explains the rise of Islamic radicalism and the increasing hatred of the West as a response to Western superiority and to the undermining of Islam's authority by Western culture. The Islamic hatred is, according to Lewis, an outcome of the collision between the Western and Islamic civilizations and "an Islamic historical response to secularism and the Jewish-Christian heritage." Lewis' approach provides an essential interpretation of the roots of the current clash of civilizations, but it lacks a reference to the implications of the accumulating hatred for the West, which is viewed by many Muslims as "God's enemy."

The present-day radical Islamic outburst against Western civilization's hegemony emanates from a perception of achievement: the Islamic victory over the USSR in Afghanistan, the establishment of Taliban rule, the creation of the al-Qaeda global network, and the spread of Islam in many Western countries. These are seen as signs of an Islamic awakening that may lead in the twenty-first century to the restoration of the glory of Islam as the world's most dominant power.

In this context, the radical Islamic struggle against "God's enemies" has brought about a significant change in traditional Islamic attitudes toward the protected religions - Christianity and Judaism. During the golden age of Islam, in most cases Islamic regimes treated Christians and Jews with tolerance for being monotheists like themselves. They were considered ahl al-dhimma, non-Muslim monotheistic believers who had the privilege to be under the protection of Islamic rule, although some humiliating laws were imposed on them (payment of a head tax; synagogues and churches had to be built lower than mosques, etc.). The destiny of infidels and polytheists (those who attribute associates to God) under Islamic rule, however, was either conversion to Islam or execution.

The End of Protected Status for Christians and Jews

In recent years, radical Islamic scholars have renounced the privileges that Christians and Jews had enjoyed under Islamic rule and denied their status as *ahl al-dhimma*, accusing them of crimes against Islam and deviation of faith in God by attributing associates to God. This opened the way to justifying mass killing of Christians and Jews under the flag of *jihad* for the sake of Allah.

The roots of radical Islam's denial of protected status for Christians may be found in the long-standing, accumulated hatred of the U.S. and other Western countries as leaders of the Christian world. The U.S. is viewed as a global infidel force menacing Islam with its ideology, social and economic values, and hostile policy, seen in terms of a modern

Crusader war against Islam. Abd al-Aziz al-Jarbou', a prominent radical Saudi scholar, lashed out at the U.S. in his book *The Foundations of the Legality of the Destruction That Befell America*, presenting a thesis that was publicly lauded by many Saudi scholars, headed by Hamud bin Uqla al-Shuaibi and Ali al-Khudeir. Describing the U.S. as "the source of evil, moral corruption, oppression, despotism, and aggression," al-Jarbou' explained that the U.S. "spreads abomination and corruption in the world," "is the biggest source heretical movies," "has more sex channels and wine and cigarette companies than any other country," "wages war against Allah's religion...and strives to impose its heresy and values out of arrogance and a desire to dominate." "Even Satan does not behave like America does," he wrote.²

On May 6, 2002, fourteen Saudi scholars published a special announcement claiming that the escalation in tensions between Islam and the West stemmed from American and European foreign and economic policies reflected in their siding with Israel, supporting globalization, and waging war on global terrorism. They asserted that, "observing this conflict...between Islam and the Muslims who follow righteousness, on one side, and heresy and its forces, on the other side, will expose the identity of the enemy and its flag [ideology], which developed after the rise of what is called the new world order, the Madrid and Oslo conventions, other conventions held in America and Sharm Al-Sheik [Egypt], and the criminal war against Muslims called the war on terror. Thus, the genuine hatred and the nature of this conflict between the camp of Islam and the camp of ahl al-dhimma - the Jews and Christian Crusaders, and the hypocrites who follow them [Arab leaders] - becomes clear."

The confrontation between Islam and the West is considered a zero-sum game, the outcome of which is to be the absolute and total victory of Islam in the twenty-first century. In his public message to the Muslim world on the occasion of the holiday of Eid al-Adha (February 19, 2002), Hamas leader Ahmad Yassin clearly justified the *jihad* against the U.S. in Muslim and Arab countries on the basis of Islamic law. *Jihad* against America is a positive commandment in every respect and is the realization of "the right of self-defense" against "the Crusaders' war" and the terrorist war waged by the United States against the nation of Islam in Afghanistan and against the Islamic *jihad* movements in the world. Yassin emphasized that *jihad* has a defined goal, which is to "bring Islam to a dominant global position and release it from the hegemony of America and its Zionist allies." He encouraged Muslims to perform *jihad* and to prepare for an extended battle against the U.S., promising that the current century, the twenty-first, is the "Islamic century, the century of liberation, victory, and the fulfillment of potential."

The Future Conquest of Rome and All of Europe

Similarly, the prominent Muslim scholar Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi, the Qatari-based spiritual authority for the worldwide Muslim Brotherhood, issued an Islamic ruling that, despite the pessimism among Muslims, Islam will definitely prevail and eventually become master of the entire world.⁵ One of the signs of Islamic victory will be the conquest of the Italian capital, Rome, by the Muslims. Occupying Europe and defeating Christianity will become possible, according to al- Qaradawi, with the spread of Islam inside Europe until it becomes strong enough to take over the whole continent. Al-Qaradawi asserts that "the signs of salvation are absolute, numerous, and as plain as day, indicating that the future belongs to Islam and that Allah's religion will defeat all other religions." He relies on ancient Islamic traditions quoting the Prophet Muhammad, who allegedly argued that the

conquest of Constantinople (Istanbul) and then Romia (Rome) are considered signs of the victory of Islam. Al-Qaradawi wrote:

And Romia is the city we name Rome, the capital of Italy. The city of Herqel [Constantinople] was conquered in 1453 by the young Ottoman, aged 23, Muhammad Ibn Mourad, known by his nickname Muhammad the Conqueror. Nowadays, the conquest of the other city Romia [Rome] remains unfulfilled. Namely, Islam will return once more to Europe as a conqueror and as a victorious power after it was expelled twice from the continent....I assume that next time the conquest [of Europe] will not be achieved by the sword [i.e., war] but by preaching (daawa) and spreading the ideology [of Islam]....The conquest of Romia [Rome] and the expansion of Islam will reach all the areas where the sun shines and the moon appears [i.e., the entire world]....That will be the result of a planted seed and the beginning of the righteous Caliphate's return....[The Islamic Caliphate] deserves to lead the nation to the plains of victory.⁶

Al-Qaradawi's influence, it should be stressed, is widespread. His religious rulings not only appear on the websites of Muslim Brotherhood subsidiaries, like Hamas, but also on the websites of Saudi-inspired groups fighting the U.S. in western Iraq and on the websites of Chechen Islamists.

The State of Confrontation with the West

The state of confrontation with the West is considered by radical Muslim scholars not as something predestined from God, which Muslims have to endure until salvation, but as an opportunity to promote Islamic awareness and to release themselves from Western dominance and values. The first step to be taken from a religious perspective is to define the United States, the leader of the free world, as an "enemy" that is waging a "religious war" against Islam, and on this basis to issue Islamic rulings that the U.S. and its allies belong to dar al-harb (the realm of war). The command of jihad applies not only to Muslims on the confrontation lines in the Muslim and Arab worlds, but to all Muslims living in the areas of the enemy as well. Al-Jarbou' has ruled that the current state of relations between Islam and the West is to be expressed as one of total war against the infidels. America, according his viewpoint, is not a regime with which Islam can maintain normal relations until Islam becomes strong enough to launch a jihad against it. Nor is it a regime that deserves the tolerant and peaceful attitude from Islam accorded to Christians and Jews as protected minorities under Islamic rule (ahl al-dhimma). Criticizing other Muslim scholars who "neglected their duty" to define the state of relations with America as one of all-out war, al-Jarbou' unequivocally ruled that the definition of the U.S. as dar al-hart obliges all Muslims to prepare in practice for the war against the infidels.7

Another Saudi scholar, Salman bin Fahed al-'Auda, in his book *The End of History*, asserts that the solution to Islamic distress - that may bring about the fall of America and the Western world - "exists in one word which is **Jihad**" (emphasis in original). According to al-'Auda, the meaning of *jihad* is much broader than fighting with a sword (the Islamic symbol of *jihad*). Appealing to Muslims throughout the world, he wrote: "We should not simplify this issue and narrow its meaning to a restricted military battle in one of the Islamic regions or even to an all-out war against the West, which is possible and predicted and we assume is arriving [emphasis added]." He continues: "Life as a whole is a

battlefield. The weapons are not only the rifle, the bullet, the airplane, the tank, and the cannon. Not at all! Thinking is a weapon, the economy is a weapon, money is a weapon, water is a weapon, planning is a weapon, unity is a weapon, and so there are many types of weapons." In *The End of History*, al-'Auda concluded that the West by itself was already in an advanced state of decay: "The West, and above all the United States, and Western culture, in general are undergoing a historical process that is deterministic. This process leads to its total collapse, sooner or later." His *jihad* was intended to accelerate that collapse. During the 1990s, he was regarded as the most influential preacher in Saudi Arabia.

Civilians in Infidel States Deserve to Die

Islamic law concerning the state of war between Islam and the West also requires Islamic scholars to deal with issues regarding the laws of war and the definition of "combatants" and "non-combatants." The innovation observed in Islamic religious rulings issued by radical Muslim scholars in recent years refers to a broadening of the definition of "combatants" who deserve death in *jihad* to all residents living in infidel states. The laws of war are considered to apply to all civilians and they are perceived in the same way as soldiers fighting on the battlefield. Such a position cancels the right of Jews and Christians to receive protection under Islam and from a religious perspective turns all Western civilians into "combatants." It relies on various religious arguments: Imitating the way of life and behavior of the Prophet Muhammad in his policy toward *ahl al-dhimma*, reacting on the basis of retaliation, and excluding Jews and Christians from the definition of monotheism and re-defining them as polytheists.

On June 28, 2002, 28 scholars from the Al-Azhar Institute in Egypt determined that killing large numbers of Israeli civilians in Palestinian suicide bombing attacks was the "noblest act of jihad." They justified killing Jews by arguing that Israel is a racist, military state that took Muslim land illegally by force. Muslims have, therefore, the right under Islamic law to rise up in jihad against the occupation in order to liberate their lands. The Al-Azhar scholars argued that in conducting jihad there is no need to make any distinction between soldiers and civilians. The correct distinction has to be made between peace-seekers (Muslims) and warmongers (Jews), and between the attackers (Jews) and the attacked (Muslims). Following this religious outlook, the Jews are robbers of Islamic land who contaminate the sacred sites of Islam and, therefore, they have been defined as "combatants, no matter what kind of clothes they wear." 10

In April 2002, Sheikh Hamed al-Ali, a lecturer on Islamic culture in Kuwait and one of the leaders of the radical Salafi stream, 11 clarified in a religious ruling the circumstances in which it is permitted to kill civilians in the cause of *jihad* without violating the Prophet Muhammad's command prohibiting the murder of women and children. These include:

a. Participation in war - For civilians "who knowingly take part in combat or advise and encourage others to do so, etc., the prohibition against killing them does not apply and it is permitted to kill them in war....It should be noted that an army involved in modern warfare also includes soldiers who are non-combatants, some of whom serve in combat support roles and without whom conducting a war would not be possible. For example there are those who operate computers which manage military activities; military personnel involved in strategic planning; reserve forces who supervise mobilization of soldiers and prepare them for battle, if only on an

administrative level; intelligence personnel, etc. All are included in the fate of those who encourage war against Muslims, and it is permitted to intentionally kill them in battle." According to al-Ali, all citizens of Israel are to be considered combatants because of Israel's compulsory military service law, which includes women, in addition to the fact that its general population is party to government policy due to the taxes it pays and its participation in elections.

b. Collateral damage to civilians during attacks on military targets - "When Muslims are forced to launch an all-out attack on enemies or bomb them from a distance and this may cause the death of women, children, and other civilians, it is imperative to ensure that they are not killed intentionally. However, if they are killed during such attacks, killing them does not constitute a sin."¹²

In a similar vein, Sheikh Suliman bin Nasser al-Ulwan, a Saudi scholar, issued a ruling on May 18, 2001, which defined the suicide attacks against the "exploitive Jews" in "Palestine" and against the "aggressive Christians" in Chechnya as "acts of self-sacrifice according to the way of Allah," and are therefore legitimate means of warfare from a religious perspective." He is cited in a December 2001, al-Qaeda videotape when a visiting Saudi tells Osama bin Laden that he is bringing "a beautiful fatwa" from al-Ulwan.

Sheikh al-Ulwan argued that it is not prohibited to kill children as a consequence of suicide actions if the perpetrator of such an action had no premeditative intent to kill them. Nevertheless, al-Ulwan includes "all the Jews in Palestine" in his definition of "combatants," adding that, "If *jihad* fighters are not able to kill combatants [only] without [also] killing children [who are with them], there is no problem in such cases if they [the children] are killed." In this context, al-Ulwan provides religious legitimacy for blowing up buildings "on the Jews' heads" indiscriminately and permitting the murder of Jewish women, who serve in the military and take part in the "aggression" by the very fact of being part of the "plundering" of Muslim lands, and because of their "moral corruption." His impact has reached beyond the borders of Saudi Arabia. For example, al-Ulwan's writings have been found in schools belonging to Hamas in the Gaza Strip. Thus, one of the major al-Qaeda spiritual leaders has been influencing the development of religious and political thinking of the Palestinians as well.

A more decisive approach to ordering the indiscriminate killing of Jews is presented by the learned Saudi cleric Muhammad Saleh al-Munajjid in a *fatwa* issued in April 2003: "The Jews distorted the religion of Allah...murdered the prophets and denied the existence of Allah; they are intriguers, frauds, and traitors...bringing corruption to Muslim communities...set fire to the Al-Aqsa Mosque...desecrated the Quran...committed massacres; so how is it possible for Muslims not to rejoice at murdering the infidel, thieving Jews? Moreover, Allah will satisfy his believers by destroying and exterminating them all. This is our right as Muslims as was promised by our Prophet....Allah will bring us to defeat and master them according to the Islamic tradition: Fight the Jews and defeat them until the rock says: 'O Muslim, there is a Jew behind me, come and kill him!"¹¹⁴

All those involved in fighting Muslims, both Christians and Jews, are regarded as "combatants" in Muslim eyes. However, a particularly negative status is reserved for Jews, who are regarded as the source of all evil not only in the context of the current Israeli-Palestinian conflict but due to their "inherent characteristics" and the "danger they embody to mankind." In a statement issued in December 2002 to "enlighten young Muslims," the Hamas movement describes Jews in wholly anti-Semitic terms in a way that

divests them of any vestige of humanity. Jews are described as a nation of "despicable lowlifes," "traitors," and "liars" who are "arrogant," "corrupt," and "cursed," who include other gods in their beliefs and distort the Holy Scriptures." The Jews are accused of attempting to murder the prophet Muhammad, of seditiously creating the religious conflict that resulted in the split between the Shia and the Sunni, of the murder of Ali (founder of the Shia), and of supporting the collapse of the Ottoman Caliphate. The document ends with an appeal to Muslim youth warning that "the Jews control the centers of power in the world," "spread lechery and abomination," "are behind all current and past wars," and are responsible for "almost all corruption and perversion that occurs in the Muslim world." 15

A similar description of the characteristics of the Jewish nation can be found in a sermon given by the imam of the central mosque in Mecca, Sheikh Abd al-Rahman al-Sudays, in May 2002, describing the Jews as "infidels," "calf-worshippers," "prophet-murderers," who even "tried to kill the prophet Muhammad," "distorters of prophecies," the "scum of humanity," "corrupt," 'treacherous," and "conniving." He prayed to God saying: "I wish the enemies of Islam and Muslims, the Jews, the pagans and other corrupted people, will be humiliated....Allah, exercise your power against the Jews. Allah, destroy them with sharpened tools and take them out of Al-Aqsa Mosque."

One of al-Qaeda's leaders, identified by his nickname, Abu Ayman al-Hilali, in an article published in the periodical *Al-Ansar*, defined the U.S., Britain, France, Italy, Canada, Germany, and Australia as "enemies," while praising the mass-murder attacks committed by al-Qaeda operatives in the U.S., Tunisia, Yemen, Bali, Moscow, and elsewhere. He justified killing Western civilians in these attacks for the following reasons:

- a. The citizens in democratic Western countries become full participants in governmental decision-making by voting in elections and therefore they are no longer considered "non-combatants" as in past wars.
- b. The citizens in Western countries are full participants in the war their governments are waging against Islam. Their designation by al-Qaeda as "targets" was a reaction to the aggressive policies of their governments. Al-Hilali asserted that even those in the West who oppose their governments' policies have no immunity from al-Qaeda's jihad since they are a small minority without real influence and cannot be distinguished during the commission of attacks.¹⁷

Democracy: The Religion of the Infidels

Abu Muhammad al-Maqdisi, leader of the Bayat al-Imam extremist group whose operatives were arrested in Jordan in 1995, takes a further step in his book *Democracy is a Religion* in denying the traditional protection given by Islam to Jews and Christians. They become "combatants" and infidels and lose their status of *ahl al-dhimma* not only because of their participation in elections, but as a result of their endorsement of democracy and its values. For al-Maqdisi, democracy is a prohibited innovation that contradicts Islamic values and embodies a new heretical religion. Its followers are "infidels" and "polytheists," even if they consider themselves as Jews or Christians by religion. Al-Maqdisi based his claim on the following arguments:

a. "Democracy gives legitimacy to the legislation of the masses or to the despotic regime. It is not [the expression of] the rule of Allah....Allah ordered his Prophet to

execute the commands given to him and forbade him to follow the emotions of the nation, the masses, and the people."

- b. "Democracy is the rule of the masses or the rule of paganism, which is conducted according to a constitution [written by humans] and not according Allah's laws....It [democracy] has become the mother of laws and is considered [by the masses] as a holy book. The religion of democracy has no relation to Quranic verses or the Prophet's way of life and it is not possible to legislate according to them unless they are compatible with the holy book [the constitution]."
- c. "Democracy is an outcome of despicable secularism and its illegitimate daughter, since secularism is a heretical school striving to separate religion from state and government."

Al-Maqdisi concludes: "Democracy is a religion that is not Allah's religion.....It is the rule of paganism...it is a religion which includes other gods in its belief...the people represented in the religion of democracy by its delegates in the parliament...who are actually standing idols and false gods placed in their chapels and their pagan fortresses, namely, their legislative councils. They and their followers rule according to the religion of democracy and the constitution's laws upon which the government is based, and according to the paragraphs of their legislation....Their master is their God, their big idols who approve or reject legislation. He is their emir, their king, or their president."¹⁸

Debating Islamic Retaliation: 4 Million or 10 Million American Deaths?

As noted, radical 'Islamic scholars rely in their rulings on the principle of retaliation while justifying indiscriminate mass murder of Christians. Suliman Abu 'Ghaith, a prominent al-Qaeda leader, in his famous series of public letters entitled *Under the Shade of the Lances* and directed at Muslim youth, listed the crimes of the U.S. against the Arab and Muslim world. He argued that the U.S. is responsible directly and indirectly, in its long-lasting war on Islam, for the death of four million Muslims, including 1.2 million Iraqis, 260,000 Palestinians (as a result of its support for Israel), 12,000 Afghans and Arab fighters, 13,000 Somalis, and millions more throughout the world. From his perspective, al-Qaeda's attacks in Washington and New York in September 2001 are not enough to balance the equation of killing. Basing his claims on the Islamic principle of retaliation, Abu Ghaith argues that Muslims have the right to kill four million Americans, including one million children, to displace eight million Americans, and to cripple hundreds of thousands more. Moreover, Abu Ghaith asserts that Muslims are religiously entitled to use chemical and biological weapons in their war against the U.S.¹⁹

Nasser bin Hamed al-Fahd, another prominent Saudi Salafi scholar, in an Islamic ruling published in May 2003, approved the use of weapons of mass destruction against America. He also based his indictment on the principle of retaliation, but argued that Muslims have the right to kill ten million Americans in response to the crimes of their government against the Muslim nation. Al-Fahd elaborated the circumstances under which it is religiously permitted to kill non-combatant Americans: During a military operation when it is hard to distinguish between soldiers and civilians and according to military needs or considerations. Ascribing great importance to the military considerations, he asserted that the military leaders who are responsible for the execution of *jihad* have the authority to make the decisions concerning what types of weapons to use against the

infidels. If they decided to use weapons of mass destruction based on military need, it would be an obligation under Islamic law.²⁰

Similarly, radical Muslim scholars have justified the killing of 2,750 civilians in al-Qaeda's September 2001 attacks. A senior al-Qaeda operative named Saif al-Din al-Ansari argued in his book *The September 11th Attack* that the killing of thousands of civilians in the suicide attacks did not go beyond the "special circumstances" in which Muslims are religiously permitted to kill infidel civilians. These attacks were justified because they were conducted according to the principle of retaliation as well as the Islamic religious principle that permits the killing of civilians when necessary in order to destroy the enemy's fortresses, when it is impossible to differentiate between military and civilians.²¹ Support for this position has also been expressed by Saudi Islamic scholars Hamud bin Uqla al-Shuaibi and Ali al-Khudeir.

- a. Hamud bin Uqla al-Shuaibi referred to the September attacks in his Islamic ruling as follows: "Any decisions taken by the American infidel state, particularly those dealing with war and other critical decisions, are taken based upon public opinion surveys or representatives' voting in their infidel legislatures. These legislatures represent primarily the people's opinion....Therefore, any American citizen who voted for the war is considered a combatant or at least an accessory [to the war]."²²
- b. The Saudi Sheikh Ali al-Khudier wrote in another Islamic ruling: "We should not regret the deaths of civilians in the Twin Towers attack since the American is an infidel because of his connection to his government. He fights for it, supports it with money, opinions or advice, and this is the type of their political regime. Therefore, they deserved what they experienced, since their fighting, support, and opinions deserve punishment."²³

Advocating Total Extermination of Islam's Enemies

Al-Qaeda has adopted a broader interpretation of the religious command concerning the killing of infidels. It is considered an absolute command that does not depend on political circumstances, the need or will to take revenge, or a wish to liberate Muslim lands from infidel rule. Saif al-Din al-Ansari, in an article in al-Qaeda's official periodical, presented the new, comprehensive concept of total extermination of Islam's enemies based on the Quranic verse: "And that He may purge those who believe and deprive the unbelievers of blessings" (Al-Imran, 142). According to al-Ansari, this is the way Allah deals with infidels, who are doomed throughout history to total extermination through various types of death. as was the fate of the people of Noah, Hod, Saleh, Lot, Midian, and Pharaoh. Al-Ansari asserted that the extermination of infidels is a permanent Islamic law and unchangeable fate for infidels that is as relevant today as it was in past generations. According to al-Ansari, "Just as the law of extermination was applied to the infidel forces among the nations in previous days and no one could escape it, so it will be applied to the infidel forces in our day and no one will escape it. Namely, similar to the fate of the Thamoud and 'Ad peoples [two pagan Arab peoples which, according to Islamic tradition, were exterminated due to their rejection of the words of the Prophet], so the American state, the Jewish state, and all other infidel countries will certainly be destroyed."24

Al-Ansari further developed his concept of total extermination in a subsequent article. First, he firmly criticized the Islamic movements that raise the banner of daawa (Islamic

preaching) and support the gradual spread of Islam through education, social organizations, and the economy as the preferred means to bring about the victory of Islam over other religions. He asserts that Allah has the power and might to subdue the infidels and to exterminate them by his will. However, He has not done so because of His wish to designate this task to Muslims.

Al-Ansari relies on the Quranic verse: "Fight them, Allah will punish them by your hands and bring them to disgrace [meaning that Allah will kill the infidels], and assist you against them and heal the hearts of a believing people" (Al-Tawba, 14). The key word in this verse is "by your hands," which indicates the great importance Allah attributes to the physical action of the infidels' extermination. This is even more substantial than the *daawa* in executing the command of *jihad*, since the *daawa*, as important as it might be, could not fulfill God's commandment for extermination.

Al-Ansari wrote: "Allah is capable of exterminating his enemies with no need for intermediaries or the help of anyone. His might is infinite...therefore, when He [Allah] designates the task of extermination of infidels to his believers, He does so as a hidden expression of His power...the infidels' extermination is part of Islamic law, which is operative until the Day of Judgment. Its principal element will be fulfilled only at the hands of the believers, meaning through *jihad*, which is also to be operative until the Day of Judgment.²⁵

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Who's Who Among Radical Islamic Thinkers

- A Glossary

Hamed al-Ali - Kuwaiti scholar (in his 40s). Serves as lecturer and preacher. Graduated al-Madina University in Saudi Arabia. Published Islamic verdicts justifying suicide attacks committed by Palestinians against Israelis.

Saif al-Din al-Ansari (nom de guerre) - Senior al-Qaeda leader and ideologist. Expresses support for total extermination of infidels through *jihad* for the sake of Allah.

Salman bin Fahed al-'Auda - Prominent Saudi scholar. Born in Baser (Buraida, Saudi Arabia) in 1956. Serves as Islamic researcher, lecturer and preacher. Runs the Islamic website www.islamtoday.net. Arrested by Saudi security services in 1994 for his radical views and jailed until 1999. Al-'Auda considers *jihad* against the U.S. in Muslim countries as justified self-defense in reaction to American occupation. He attributes great importance to the *daawa* (spreading Islam by education and preaching).

Nasser bin Hamed al-Fahd - Saudi scholar. Born in 1968 in Riyadh (Saudi Arabia). Graduated Al-Imam University in Riyadh. Served as lecturer in Islamic affairs. Jailed by Saudis 1994-1997. Al-Fahd published articles and religious edicts supporting the Taliban regime in Afghanistan and denouncing Muslims who cooperated with the U.S. In May 2003 he justified use of weapons of mass destruction against the U.S. as a retaliatory measure. Along with Ali al-Khudeir and Ahmed al-Khaldi, he incited to commit attacks against Westerners and openly supported the Riyadh bombings. In May 2003 he was rearrested by the Saudi security services and charged with advocating violence in sermons in mosques and on the Internet. Under pressure by Saudi authorities, which began cracking down on militants believed responsible for a string of attacks in Saudi Arabia, al-Fahd renounced militancy and attacks against innocent people inside Saudi Arabia in an interview on Saudi TV (November 2003). He focused on the past tendency of clerics to widely use the doctrine of *takfir*, charging that Muslims have become infidels and should be treated accordingly.

Suliman Abu Ghaith - Born in the 1970s in Kuwait. Former religious studies teacher. Serves as al-Qaeda's spokesperson. He left Kuwait in 2000. Abu Ghaith was stripped of his citizenship after he called for retaliation against the U.S. during the war in Afghanistan. He is considered as one of Osama bin Laden's closest associates.

Abu Ayman al-Hilali (nom de guerre) - Senior al-Qaeda leader and ideologist. Supports uncompromising *jihad* against infidels and religiously justifies mass killings of Western civilians.

Abd al-Aziz al-Jarbou' - Saudi scholar. Published religious edicts justifying *jihad* against the U.S. and al-Qaeda's attack on the U.S. in September 2001. Considered a supporter of al-Qaeda's terrorist global network. Arrested in 2003 by Saudi security services.

Ali al-Khudeir - Saudi scholar. Born in 1954 in Riyadh (Saudi Arabia). Graduated Allmam University in Qusaim. Hamud bin Uqla al-Shuaibi, one of his teachers (see below), had great influence on shaping his Islamic views. Al-Khudeir published articles and religious edicts supporting the Taliban regime in Afganistan including the destruction of the Hindu statues, as a part of jihad against the infidels. He religiously justified al-Qaeda's attack on the U.S. in September 2001. Along with Nasser al-Fahd and Ahmed al-Khaldi, he incited to commit attacks against Westerners and openly supported the Riyadh bombings. He was arrested by the Saudi security services and charged with advocating violence in sermons in mosques and on the Internet. Under pressure from Saudi authorities, which began cracking down on militants believed responsible for a string of attacks in Saudi Arabia, in an interview on Saudi TV (November 2003), al-Khudeir reversed his religious edicts justifying attacks against innocent people including Westerners under regime protection inside Saudi Arabia and encouraging Saudi youth to join the jihad in Iraq and Afghanistan. Like Nasser al-Fahd, he focused on limiting the application of takfir, which had largely internal implications.

Abu Muhammad al-Maqdisi - Palestinian scholar (born in Nablus), living in Jordan. Al-Maqdisi was involved in directing Islamist terrorist groups in Jordan under various names - Bay'at al-Imam, Jaysh Muhammad, Al-Islah wal-Tahaddi - along with the Islamic Movement for Change, which carried out the terrorist attack in Riyadh in November 1995 in which five American officials were killed. He was imprisoned between 1995 and 1999 and detained again in the recent wave of arrests of Islamists in Jordan.

Muhammad Saleh al-Munajjid - Saudi scholar. Born in 1961. Graduated Saudi University in Dhahran. The late grand mufti, Abd al-Aziz al-Baz, was one of his teachers, who had great influence in shaping his views. Serves as Islamic researcher and preacher.

Yusuf al-Qaradawi - Prominent Islamic scholar and well-known preacher. Born in Egypt (1926), lives in Qatar. Known as a member of the Muslim Brotherhood. Qaradawi heads the Sunni studies department at Qatar University. He was the first Sunni Muslim scholar to give religious legitimacy to the suicide operations of Hamas (1995), and to the participation of women in suicide attacks. Qaradawi has generally defended bin Laden as a representative and defender of oppressed Muslims against the "American and Zionist evilness," even though he condemned the attacks on American soil against innocent civilians.

Hamud bin Uqla al-Shuaibi - Prominent and influential Saudi scholar. Born in 1927 in al-Shiqqa (Buraida, Saudi Arabia), died in 2001. Lost his eyesight in the age of 9 as a result of disease. Learned Islamic studies and law. Served as teacher of Islamic affairs. His students included a number of important Saudi religious leaders, including the current grand mufti. Al-Shuaibi published religious edicts supporting the Taliban regime in Afghanistan including the destruction of the Hindu statues, as part of jihad against the infidels. He religiously justified al-Qaeda's attack on the U.S. in September 2001 and gave religious legitimacy to the suicide attacks against Israel carried out by Palestinians. In October 2001, bin Laden cited al-Shuaibi when he spoke of his justification for killing Jews and Christians.

Abd al-Rahman al-Sudays - Imam of the central mosque in Mecca. Well-known for his

Al-Qaeda's Intellectual Legacy: New Radical Islamic Thinking Justifying the Genocid... Page 13 of 13 radical Islamic views and ardent preaching against the infidels.

Suliman bin Nasser al-Ulwan - Saudi scholar. Born in 1969 in Buraida. Serves as lecturer and preacher. Published religious edict justifying the Palestinian suicide attacks against Israeli civilians. In 2001 he stated that the attacks on the World Trade Center were an act of *jihad*.

Ahmad Yassin - Palestinian religious leader; born in 1937 in Ashkelon (today in southern Israel); worked as teacher, preacher, and community worker; completely paralyzed following an accident in his youth; founder of the Islamic Center in Gaza in 1973, which soon controlled all religious institutions; founder and spiritual leader of Hamas, the Islamic Resistance Movement, and its military wing, Izz al-Dinn al-Qassam, which is responsible for the deaths of hundreds of Israelis in terrorist attacks, including suicide bombings, since the 1990s. An Israeli court convicted Yassin in 1989 of ordering Hamas members to kidnap and kill two Israeli soldiers. He was released from jail in 1997 to appease Jordan after Israel's failed attempt to assassinate Hamas leader Khaled Mashal in Amman. Yassin opposed the previously signed agreements between Israel and the Palestinian Authority, and maintains that eliminating Israel and the establishment of an Islamic state in Palestine is a religious duty.

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Australian David Hicks, 28, has been held in near-solitary confinement at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba for two years, awaiting trial - and Marine Cops Major Michael D. Mori reported on Thursday that his client's mental condition is deteriorating.

Mori told reporters that Hicks is suffering from lack of outside communication and contact that has left him with little other to concentrate on than his basic human needs, such as food and shelter. Human rights organizations have called on the United States to release the Guantanamo prisoners or at least say what is planned for them. The groups complain that the indefinite detentions have led to a deterioration in mental health and dozens of suicide attempts at the prison, set up shortly after the start of the war in Afghanistan in October 2001. Anyone watching the video coverage of Major Mori's report regarding his client's condition, could readily see from the graphic expressions on his face that it was almost painful, and that it took much effort to even voice the words coming to mind in attempting to describe what he had seen upon visiting Hicks.

Besides reporting on Hicks's mental health, Mori took aim at the system of military tribunals that the U.S. government has established. Mori said that the military commissions process has been "created only by those with a vested interest in conviction." Mori further stated, "The commission's two orders and nine instructions have removed any resemblance to any established criminal process."

Regarding the "negotiations" between the rivaling 44 countries from which the detainees hail, Mori asks the question, "What are the Brits going to get? What are they going to obtain for their citizens? It really sets a double, triple, quadruple standard that different nations are getting different agreements. Justice shouldn't be based on one's nationality."

Hicks and the other 680 inmates are left in limbo, without any rights. There are nine British citizens currently being held at Guantanamo, three of the detainees are boys between the ages of 13 and 15. Johan Steyn, one of a panel of judges who sit in Britain's House of Lords, recently said holding the tribunals in Cuba would be a "monstrous failure of justice."

Other critics have also said that military tribunals, last used during World War II, are unfair to defendants because they unduly restrict their investigations and do not allow for review by independent courts.

Since the first prisoners arrived on Jan. 11, 2002, the U.S. government has classified the men as "enemy combatants" and not prisoners of war, which would afford them more legal protection.

It was not until December 2003 that Hicks, an anomaly among the 680 or so inmates at Guantanamo, became one of only two detainees with Pentagon appointed legal representation. U.S. authorities say Hicks was fighting with the Taliban when he was captured, yet he has yet to be charged with any crime. The government has not indicated when it will charge Hicks, or any of the Guantanamo detainees, for that matter. The U.S. Supreme Court will decide in July whether any of the other inmates will be appointed legal representation.

It is the indefinite nature of the detentions as much as the severe conditions that has drawn the attention of human rights groups and other critics. It has been reported that twenty-one prisoners have attempted suicide, some multiple times and most by trying to hang themselves.

The U.S. government has denied mistreatment, noting detainees can exchange censored letters with family, are well fed and receive quality medical care.

Officials began rewarding detainees last year for good behavior – of course, in exchange for providing information about terror cells.

Notably, however, one privilege that has been eliminated is contact with the camp's Muslim spiritual adviser. Authorities suspended the meetings last year after the arrest of Muslim chaplain Capt. James Yee on accusations of mishandling classified information. Yee was one of four arrested by investigators looking into alleged security breaches at the base.

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The new Muslim chaplain, Capt. Khallid Shabazz is only allowed to minister to Muslim soldiers - not detainees.

U.S. officials have released 88 people held at the detention camp in eastern Cuba - but new ones have regularly been brought in, and Washington has also continued to expand the prison with plans for a total of 1,100 cells, raising further questions of what the future holds for the mission.

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Clues Raise Questions About Terror Funding

Six months after they raided the Northern Virginia headquarters of some of the nation's most respecte Muslim leaders, federal agents say they are pursuing a trail of intriguing clues in a top-priority searc for evidence of tax evasion and financial ties to terrorists.

Federal and European investigators say that several lines of inquiry have emerged from their review c documents and computer files they carted off in a dozen panel trucks from offices and homes affiliate with the Herndon-based SAAR Foundation, a tight-knit cluster of prominent Muslim groups funded b wealthy Saudis.

One avenue of investigation is the alleged transfer of millions of dollars from the SAAR network to tw overseas bankers who have been designated by the U.S. government as terrorist financiers. Another i the network officials' history of ties to the militant Muslim Brotherhood.

A third part of the investigation concerns a key mystery: whether an astonishing \$1.8 billion in gift passed through the SAAR Foundation in a single year, 1998. SAAR leaders reported that sum on a ta form, but later said it was a clerical error.

Agents are struggling to sort through and translate rooms full of documents — many in Arabic — an chasing leads in 17 countries. U.S. officials call the investigation one of the highest priorities c Operation Green Quest, the U.S. Customs Service task force formed after the Sept. 11 attacks to wag a financial war on terror.

The probe is part of a global crackdown the U.S. government has launched to stem the funding of terror groups since Sept. 11, 2001. That crackdown has targeted a number of large Muslim charities here an abroad.

The investigation of the SAAR officials, most of whom live and work around Herndon, infuriates som members of the Muslim community, who insist that the men are among the most moderate an progressive figures in American Islam. One of the raided institutions, for example, was denounced b Islamic radicals for issuing a *fatwa*, or Islamic ruling, that allowed Muslims in the U.S. military to fight i Afghanistan. Several people whose homes were raided advise the Defense and State departments o Islamic matters.

"My clients are absolutely not involved in any way in supporting terrorism," said Washington attorne Nancy Luque, who represents most of the individuals and groups raided. "It's a smearing."

Taha Jabir Alalwani, a stocky man in a flowing brown robe who has been part of the Herndon group

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for years, said the searches of his home and the Leesburg-based Graduate School of Islamic and Social Sciences that he runs reminded him of the tactics of the secret police in his native Iraq.

"I'm moderate, I'm serving this country and I'm innocent of these suspicions," said Alalwani, whos institute trained 10 of the U.S. military's 14 Muslim chaplains. "I'm trying to convince Muslims in the U.S this is our home, we must defend this country."

The SAAR network consists of more than 100 Muslim think tanks, charities and companies, many c which are linked by overlapping boards of directors, shared offices and the circular movement c money, according to tax forms and federal investigators. The network, named for Sulaiman Abdul Azi Rajhi, the patriarch of the Saudi family that funded it, gives to charities, invests in companies an sponsors research, all with a goal of fostering the growth of Islam.

The SAAR Foundation officially dissolved in December 2000, and many of its functions were taken ove by another group, Safa Trust, run by many of the same people.

Government officials say the investigation of the SAAR groups, which began with a probe of anti-Israe activists in Florida in 1996 and intensified after the Sept. 11 attacks, has not traced money from th SAAR entities to the al Qaeda terrorist network. But U.S. and European investigators say they hav uncovered information in the Bahamas and Europe that in recent years some SAAR entities' fund have moved to two men, Youssef Nada and Ahmed Idris Nasreddin, designated by the United State as terrorist financiers. The funds moved through two offshore banks in the Bahamas that the pa controlled, officials said.

The institutions, Bank al Taqwa and Akida Bank Private Ltd., have been designated conduits for terrorist funds by the U.S. Treasury Department. In recent months they were shut down by Bahamia authorities under U.S. pressure. In an August report, Treasury said that the banks "have been involve in financing radical groups" including Hamas and al Qaeda, both before and after the Sept. 11 attacks Bank al Taqwa and Akida Bank were described by the Treasury Department on Aug. 29 as "she companies" that were "not functional banking institutions."

Nada and Nasreddin said they have done nothing wrong and pointed out that thousands of businesse use offshore havens like the Bahamas. In March, Nada told reporters he is a legitimate businessma and has never funded terror. Nasreddin could not be reached for comment, but his Geneva-base-lawyer, P.F. Barchi, said in May that his client has no links to terror and abhors violence.

SAAR representatives say they have had no transactions with the banks and that the SAAR network' financial ties to Nada are limited to a single loan to him. Early last year, an individual connected t SAAR arranged for funds to be moved from a joint account of several SAAR executives to Nada as loan, they said.

U.S. officials say they believe that the SAAR network moved a total of about \$20 million to offshor accounts, much of it through Bank al Taqwa and Akida Bank to Nada and Nasreddin firms.

But because of the complex nature of the wire transfers, which sent money through myriad accounts officials say they have had difficulty tracking SAAR entities' money around the world. In 1998, fc example, SAAR moved \$9 million to the Humana Charitable Trust, which a SAAR tax form said wa based in the tax haven of the Isle of Man. U.S. investigators said they found no evidence the trus existed. Panama, another tax haven, was also the destination of millions of dollars.

"Looking at their finances," one U.S. official involved in the probe said, "is like looking into a black hole.

Questions Surround Network

Much about the SAAR entities remains in dispute, including the reported \$1.8 billion in gifts in 1998.

For years, the foundation operated on annual budgets of about \$1.5 million. Then it reported on it 2000 tax form that it had taken in \$1.8 billion in contributions two years earlier.

SAAR representatives said that nothing like \$1.8 billion has passed through the foundation over its 16 year life. They assert that investigators are chasing a simple clerical error on a tax form. They have file an amended document stating that SAAR received no contributions in 1998.

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U.S. officials say that they believe the reference to \$1.8 billion was no mistake. "We are still looking at as a real transaction," a U.S. official said. But investigators acknowledge that they haven't foun evidence that sums of that size coursed through the network.

Another focus of the probe is the SAAR leaders' links to the Muslim Brotherhood, a 74-year-old grou which is under investigation by European and Middle Eastern governments for its alleged support c radical Islamic and terrorist groups. For decades the brotherhood has been a wellspring of radical Islamic activity; Hamas, the militant Palestinian group, is an offshoot of it. European officials ar particularly interested in the brotherhood's ties to leading neo-Nazis, including the Swiss Holocaus denier Ahmed Huber.

A number of central figures in the SAAR network, including Rajhi, were for decades involved in th brotherhood, where they befriended Nada, said representatives and friends of the SAAR officials. Th one-time radicalism of SAAR network members has mellowed since they moved to the United States SAAR associates said.

Nada, 73, a native of Egypt, has been one of the brotherhood's leading figures for years, and Europea officials say his network of banks and companies, including Bank al Taqwa and Akida Bank, ar intimately tied to the brotherhood. European officials say the two banks handled tens of millions c dollars for the brotherhood over the years.

A wealthy construction magnate, Nada controls firms across Europe and the Arab world. Nasreddin, c Ethiopian descent, operates a business empire intertwined with Nada's out of Milan.

Founded in Egypt, the Muslim Brotherhood has over the decades helped stir a revival in Islamic prid and militant opposition to secular Arab regimes. Governments in Egypt, Syria and Iraq have harshl cracked down on the group since the 1950s. The organization, viewed as heroic in much of the Ara world, has recently moderated some of its radical stances. The brotherhood has not been deemed terrorist group by U.S. officials.

SAAR's defenders say it is guilt by association to accuse SAAR leaders of terrorist ties because the have connections to people like Nada.

"It's alarming that the government criticizes people for old associations that pre-date by years an questions being raised about those people," said SAAR attorney Luque. "They're being investigated fc friendships formed 30 years ago."

Investigators said they have also uncovered numerous ties between SAAR entities and Bank al Taqwa Samir Salah — a founder of the Safa Trust, SAAR's successor, and an officer of other SAAR companie — helped establish Bank al Taqwa in the Bahamas in the mid-1980s, according to a Treasur document. In a letter to The Washington Post, Salah said he had no role with the bank.

Ibrahim Hassaballa, another officer of some SAAR-related companies, also helped set up Bank a Taqwa in the Bahamas, according to the document. Hassaballa did not respond to numerous request for comment.

Terrorism specialists say the significance of the SAAR network is that it could offer wealthy Persia Gulf financiers a circuitous route for money they don't want traced.

"A rich Saudi who wants to fund radical ideas or terrorists like Hamas and al Qaeda knows he can't send the money directly, so he filters it through companies and charities, often in the U.S or Europe," said Rita Katz, a terrorism expert at the private SITE Institute in Washington.

Connections to Leading Muslim Groups

The SAAR organizations are run by approximately 15 Middle Eastern and Pakistani men, a number c whom live in two-story homes on adjoining lots in Herndon that were developed by one of their affiliate firms in 1987. SAAR representatives say most were born into devout Muslim families and some fe under the sway of the Muslim Brotherhood.

In the 1960s and 1970s, funded largely by Persian Gulf and particularly Saudi money, the men wh would later form the SAAR network fled their homelands amid crackdowns on the brotherhood.

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In Saudi Arabia and the United States, they helped launch groups that would evolve into some of th nation's and the world's leading Islamic organizations, including the Muslim Students Association, th World Assembly of Muslim Youth and the Islamic Society of North America.

In 1984, Yaqub Mirza, a Pakistani native who received a PhD in physics from the University of Texas i Dallas, used money from the Rajhis to start SAAR in Virginia, with the goal of spreading Islam an doing charitable work.

Mirza also sought out business ventures for SAAR. By investing the Rajhis' money with Washingto real estate developer Mohamed Hadid, he made SAAR one of the region's biggest landlords in th 1980s. The SAAR network also became one of South America's biggest apple growers and the owne of one of America's top poultry firms, Mar-Jac Poultry in Georgia.

"The funds came very easily," said a businessman who dealt with SAAR. "If they wanted a few millio dollars, they called the al-Rajhis, who would send it along."

But while SAAR enjoyed the largess of some of Saudi Arabia's wealthiest families, it didn't hew to the Saudis' austere fundamentalism. Instead it promoted a more progressive Islam.

Ali Ahmed, a Saudi activist in Washington who denounces the Saudi regime as repressive, said hadmires the Hemdon group for its moderation. He said the officials engaged in a decades-long act copportunism by taking Saudi cash and using it to promote their more tolerant agenda — for example allowing women to work.

"They got private Saudi money, but they weren't Saudi agents," Ahmed said.

In the mid-1990s, the Saudi government, upset with its inability to control the SAAR network, presse contributors to stop giving money, several informed sources said.

Despite their moderate public face, the SAAR groups' leaders have had close dealings with people wh were more radical. Among them were Muslim activists who ran two vehemently anti-Israe organizations affiliated with the University of South Florida in Tampa. Despite the Florida activists denials, federal officials have been investigating them for years based on suspicions that the organized support for Palestinian Islamic Jihad, which the U.S. government has declared a terroris group because it organizes suicide bombings in Israel.

Steve Emerson, a terrorism expert who has studied SAAR for six years, said that "although the SAAI network presents a moderate profile, they have contacts and connections to Islamic groups here an abroad that are under investigation for ties to terrorism."

In a letter to a SAAR official, the Tampa groups described the SAAR network as their main fundinsource. SAAR allies said the money went only to conferences and publications.

Some of the Tampa activists later joined a SAAR affiliate in Virginia. One of them, Bashir Nafi, wa deported as an alleged Islamic Jihad operative in 1996.

The investigation of SAAR began after a 1995 raid of the Tampa groups' offices yielded man documents showing close ties with the SAAR organizations, U.S. officials said.

Leesburg scholar Alalwani, in a 1993 letter to the Tampa groups that he said was also on behalf c several other SAAR leaders, described donations sent to the Florida activists. "We consider you a par of us and an extension of us," the letter said. "All your institutions are considered by us as ours. . . . W make a commitment to you; we do it for you as a group, regardless of the party or facade you use the money for."

After the 1995 Tampa searches, investigators widened that probe, launching a related investigation c the SAAR network, which lasted into the late 1990s. In 1998, National Security Council aides in th Clinton White House pushed the FBI to intensify that SAAR investigation. But knowledgeable source said the FBI declined because of fears that a probe would be seen as ethnic profiling. The sources sai U.S. officials also pressed senior Saudi officials to investigate SAAR and other Saudi-funded charities.

"At the end of the day the progress can best be described as marginal," said one U.S. official.

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SAAR representatives said that between 1996 and 2000 they met four times with top FBI officials, who told them at the final session that the bureau had concluded that the SAAR network had committed n wrongdoing, U.S. officials dispute that account, saying that FBI officials never gave SAAR officials suc blanket clearance.

Customs revived the probe after the Sept. 11 attacks, with help from Europeans probing Bank a Taqwa's Italian and Swiss operations.

"We are looking for patterns and connections, so it is very complicated," said a U.S. official. "The & Taqwa-SAAR nexus is a very high priority."

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The leader of the Islamic group preparing to build a major new mosque in Boston has deeper involvement with organizations individuals suspected of funding terrorism than previously disclosed, the Herald has learned.

Records obtained by the newspaper reveal the chairman of the local Islamic Society of Boston, Osama M. Kandil, is one of the directors of Taibah International Aid Association, a Muslim charity long suspected by investigators in the United States and E of funding international terrorism.

In addition, records show that over the past 15 years Kandil has surrounded himself with an array of individuals investigator are working within the United States to support militant Islam's worldwide agenda.

Kandil's ties to suspect organizations and individuals raise new questions about the city of Boston's decision to grant the Isla Society of Boston approvals to build a \$22 million mosque and cultural center in Roxbury which would be the largest of its ki the Northeast.

So far, Mayor Thomas M. Menino has shrugged off the connections some of the leaders of the mosque have to Islamic extrer

The Herald reported in October that Kandil and one of his former companies had been identified by the federal government a part of the "Safa Group," a complex network of U.S.-based corporations, charities and individuals currently under investigational backing Islamic terrorist groups.

Both Kandil and the Islamic Society of Boston claimed the naming of Kandil in a government affidavit as a member of the Sa Group was a mistake and that he was only included because he happened to rent a home in Herndon, Va., owned by a key r of the Safa Group. The government coined the name Safa Group because several individuals who have been under investiga on

Safa Court and Safa Road in Herndon.

"I was never part of that group," Kandil said. "I was never involved in their activities."

The Islamic Society of Boston echoed that claim: "There is absolutely no other connection between Dr. Kandil and any other organization that supports terrorism."

Charity linked to terror

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leadership position with Taibah International Aid Association, which has been the subject of terrorism investigations dating b 1997.

- In 2002, Taibah was identified by investigators in Bosnia as "under the direction of" the Muslim Brotherhood, one of the old Islamic terrorist groups in the world.

Both U.S. and Bosnian officials determined Taibah worked hand-in- hand in Bosnia with another Islamic charity, Global Relie Foundation in Bridgeview, Ill., which the United States named as a "Specially Designated Global Terrorist" in October 2002.

According to the U.S. Treasury Department, Global Relief's Arabic newsletter regularly sought donations for armed Islamic jil including one solicitation for money "for equipping the raiders, for the purchase of ammunition and food, and for their (the Mujahideen's) transportation so that they can raise God the Almighty's word."

The relationship between Taibah and Global Relief was so close, Taibah stepped in to represent Global Relief's interests in Bc after the government there shut down Global Relief for supporting terrorists, FBI records show.

- In 2001, one month after the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States, Taibah's Bosnia office was raided in connection with a I plot to blow up the U.S. Embassy there. It turned out at least one of the six men arrested in the scheme worked for Taibah.
- At present, Taibah is targeted in two related federal cases as involved in financing terrorist groups. In one, Taibah is named member of the Safa Group of companies and charities, which the government says has financed terrorist groups including Ha and al- Qaeda.

In the other, investigators found Taibah served as an agent for another non-profit group, the Success Foundation in Falls Ch Va, which the government alleges has funneled money to the terrorist group Hamas.

- In 1997, Taibah's dealings with the Saudi charity International Relief Organization were scrutinized as part of a federal terr money laundering and fraud probe in Illinois and Virginia, according to testimony before Congress by Matthew Epstein of the Investigative Project. Both charities operated out of the same address at

360 South Washington St. in Falls Church, Va.

Records show the International Relief Organization, which is the U.S.-based arm of the International Islamic Relief Organizat IIRO, transferred thousands of dollars to another charity called Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development, which the government shut down in December 2001 for aiding terrorists.

According to terrorism investigator Rita Katz, director of the Site Institute, the evidence is clear that Taibah is not a typical c

"Although it purports to be a humanitarian organization, the Taibah International Aid Association is tied to al-Qaeda front growth Katz said.

Back to Egypt

Kandil could not be reached for comment this week and a spokesman for the Islamic Society of Boston declined comment. A to his former neighbors in Herndon, Va., Kandil moved back to Egypt in 2002 after federal agents raided the Safa Group's of March of that year. When the Herald interviewed Kandil in October, he spoke by telephone from a hotel in Germany.

Until he left the country, Kandil lived in a \$720,000 single- family home on Milwood Pond Drive in Herndon, one-half mile from cluster of homes owned by members of the Safa Group, which government agents also raided in March 2002 as part of their terrorism financing probe.

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Security News Service, a nonprofit news organization in Washington, D.C. Those records indicate the charity was incorported November 1991 by four wealthy Saudis.

One of them was Abdullah bin Laden, a nephew of al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden, who has been investigated by the FBI role as head of the World Association of Muslim Youth. Before Abdullah bin Laden abandoned WAMY's offices in Virginia soon Sept. 11, the group had been investigated by the FBI for suspected support of terrorist groups.

Another founding director of Taibah was Saudi lawyer Basim A. Alim. Alim graduated from Harvard Law School in 1993 and a point listed as his address the same Cambridge apartment as one of the current directors of the Islamic Society of Boston, W Fitaihi.

Alim, who now practices law in Saudi Arabia, has been retained to coordinate the defense of the major Saudi charities name: Sept. 11 victims' civil suit.

Taibah filed articles of amendment in 1999 which named Kandil as one of its four directors. In its last two annual reports, the charity lists Kandil as one of three directors.

On the current three-man board of directors with Kandil is Abdurahman M. Alamoudi, a well-known Muslim activist in the Un States who, records show, founded the Islamic Society of Boston in 1982.

Alamoudi's career took an unexpected turn this fall when he was arrested and indicted by the U.S. government for ferrying I sums of cash out of Libya, a designated terrorist nation.

In court papers, federal agents portray Alamoudi as a significant financier of international Islamic terrorism who used severa related non-profit corporations, including Taibah, to aid the cause of armed Jihad.

Before his arrest, Alamoudi drew attention for his public statements in support of the terrorist groups Hamas and Hezbollah, also enjoyed access to high levels of the U.S. government where he was received as an influential spokesman for American i

The close working relationship between Kandil and Alamoudi, evidenced by their roles with Taibah, calls into question Kandil' effort to distance both himself and the Islamic Society of Boston from Alamoudi.

In an interview with the Herald in October, Kandil chided the newspaper for mentioning Alamoudi's role as the founder of the Islamic Society of Boston and publishing Alamoudi's controversial statements, which included one in which he said he approx the 1994 terrorist bombing of a Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, which killed 85 people and injured mo 200.

"It is inappropriate to talk about people who spent a year or two in Boston and then made statements 15 years later," said k who did not mention his ongoing dealings with Alamoudi at Taibah.

Other associates

One of Taibah's former directors is Samir I. Salah, the founder and president of the Dar al-Hijra, a mosque in Falls Church, V which has been both a platform for radical Islamic rhetoric and a magnet for militants.

Two of the Sept. 11 hijackers, Nawaf Alhazmi and Hani Hanjour, attended Dar al-Hijra in March 2001 prior to commandeerin United Flight 77 and crashing it into the Pentagon.

The Egyptian-born Salah, who served in 1999 and 2000 with Kandil on Taibah's board, also helped set up and manage the B branch of the Muslim Brotherhood's al-Taqwa Group, a network of banks and shell corporations which has been designated a terrorist organization by the U.S. government. AWLAKI-1110

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The Herald reported in October that Kandil was a founding director of a controversial Islamic group in the United States calle Muslim Arab Youth Association. Kandil claimed MAYA was a moderate group, but for many years the organization's conferent served as a platform and gathering place for militant Islamists.

Another Kandil business partner, Nabil Sadoun, was also a founding director of MAYA. Sadoun and Kandil were directors of A Products International, Inc., a now defunct for-profit company named by federal investigators as part of the Safa Group.

Sadoun was also a founder and director of United Association for Studies and Research in Springfield, Va, which was identific "the political command of Hamas in the United States" by one of the terrorist group's operatives.

In Florida, Kandil and Sadoun were involved in the Islamic Center of Northwest Florida, Inc., which operated a mosque in PaCity, records show.

A central figure at that mosque was an Egyptian-born doctor and Islamic lecturer named Ahmed Elkadi, who also had other i interests with Kandil.

According to Katz, the terrorism investigator, Elkadi came to the United States in the early 1980s with the purpose of establi an American branch of the Muslim Brotherhood. Elkadi was also tied to the Muslim Brotherhood by Soliman Biheiri, a financic convicted last year of violating U.S. immigration laws.

When the Herald spoke with Kandil in October, he denied associating with Muslim extremists or any involvement with organi which support terrorist activities.

But when the Heraid asked him for his views on suicide bombings, he declined comment.

"I'd rather not discuss this issue," Kandil said. "I'd rather focus on the ISB (mosque) project. I'm the chairman of the board trustees and the board has never discussed this subject. I don't want to talk about my personal opinion because I don't want be confused with the board's opinion."

Graphic: BAD COMPANY; Several individuals suspected of involvement or support of terrorist groups had had contact with th of the Islamic Society of Boston.

- -- Osama Kandil: present chairman and director of the Islamic Society of Boston, which has city approvals to build the larges mosque in the Northeast on land in Roxbury. Depite his past denials, Kandil has had extensive involvement with individuals a organizations suspected of supporting Islamic terrorism, according to public records and terrorism investigators.
- Abdurahman Alamoudi: serves with Kandil on the board of directors of Taibah International Aid Association, a U.S.-based c investigated for ties to terrorism; was arrested last year on terrorism-related charges; was the first president of the Islamic of Boston, which Kandil now heads; quoted supporting terrorist groups Hamas and Hezbullah and praising the 1994 terrorist bombing of the Jewish Community Center in Argentina.
- Ahmed Elkadi: founded two businesses and one non-profit Islamic group in Florida with Kandil; tied to the radical Muslim Brotherhood, according to a terrorism investigator and Soliman Biheiri, a Muslim financier convicted last year of violating U.S immigration laws; was involved with Kandil in the Islamic Center of Northwest Florida.
- Samir Salah: former director of Taibah International Ald Association with Kandil; managed Bahamas branch of terrorism fir network called al-Taqwa Group; founder and president of Dar al-Hijra mosque in Falls Church, Virginia.
- Nabil Sadoun: former director with Kandil of American Products International, which was identified as one of the Safa Grou companies by federal investigators; was a founding director with Kandil of Muslim Arab Youth Association; was founding director united Association for Studies and Research, a group linked to the terrorist group Hamas; was involved with Kandil in the Isl Center of Northwest Florida.

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- Sheik Yusuf al-Qaradawi: listed in IRS documents as former director with Kandii of the Islamic Society of Boston; influentia Muslim Brotherhood cleric who says suicide bombers are martyrs, not terrorists; said, "The Israelis might have nucear bomb we have the children bomb and these human bombs must continue until liberation; spoke on videotape at 2002 fundralser for planned \$22 million Islamic Society of Boston mosque in Roxbury; major stockholder in Bank al-Taqwa, a desgnated terroris organization.

- Basim Alim: founding director of Taibah International Aid Association; Saudi lawyer coordinating deense of major Saudi chasued by the families of victims of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks; used Cambridge address of another Islamic Society of director, Walid Fitaihi.
- Jamal Barzinji: identified along with Kandil as a member of the Safa Group, an alleged financial support network for terroristics. Investigators; rented his home in Herndon, Virginia to Kandil.
- Abdullah bin Laden: founding director of Taibah International Ald Asociation; nephew of terrorist Osama bin Laden; ran U.S branch of World Association of Muslim Youth, which was investigated by the FBI for connections to terrorism; was, like Kand founding director of the Muslim Arab Youth Association.

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Caption: LUXURIOUS DIGS: Osama Kandil owns this \$720,000 single- family home on Millwood Pond Drive in Herndon, one-mile from the cluster of homes owned by members of the Safa Group in Herndon, Va. STAFF PHOTO BY KEVIN WISNIEWSKI

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Wahhabis in the Old Dominion

What the federal raids in Northern Virginia uncovered.

by Stephen Schwartz 04/08/2002, Volume 007, Issue 29 - Weekly Standard

FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT has kicked over quite an anthill in Northern Virginia. A U.S. Treasury task force, Operation Green Quest, has been investigating the funding of Islamic terror. Raids on March 20 struck an extraordinary array of financial, charitable, and ostensibly religious entities identified with Muslim and Arab concerns in this country, most of them headquartered in Northern Virginia.

Reaction to the raids suggests the Feds inflicted serious injury on the Wahhabi lobby, the Saudibacked extremist network that largely controls Islam in America. Officials of the targeted groups as well as their non-Muslim apologists -- notably GOP operative Grover Norquist, the chief enabler of Islamic extremists seeking access to the White House--have condemned the raids as civil rights violations.

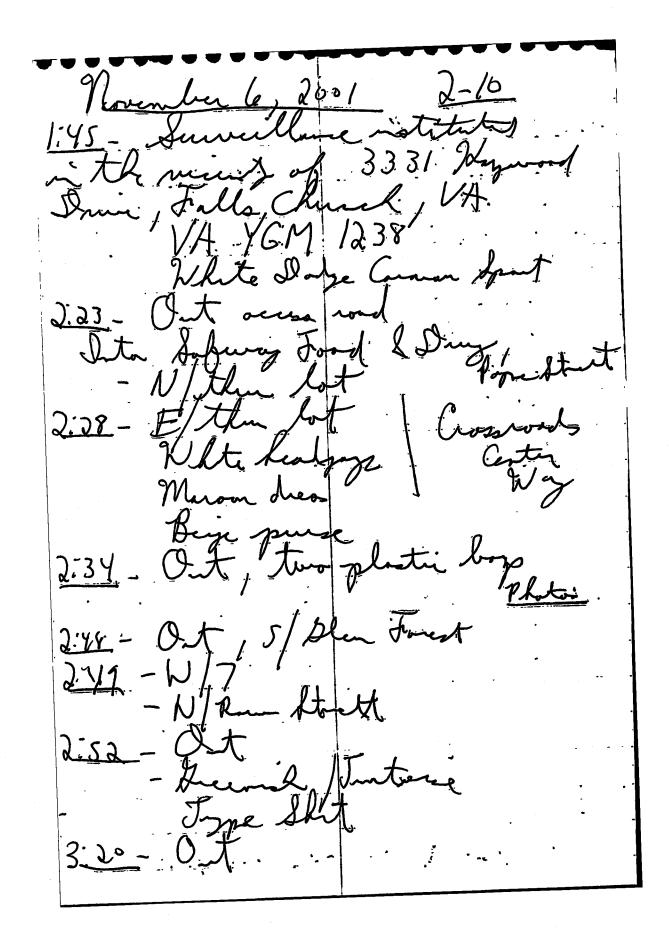
The convoluted system of interlocking directorates, global banking transactions, and ideological activities exposed in Northern Virginia will take time to sort out. Operation Green Quest has drawn attention to a previously overlooked aspect of support for extremism in this country: The principal threat comes not from the thousands of working-class Arab immigrants in places like New Jersey and Michigan who contribute modest sums to the so-called Islamic charities, but from the Arab elite.

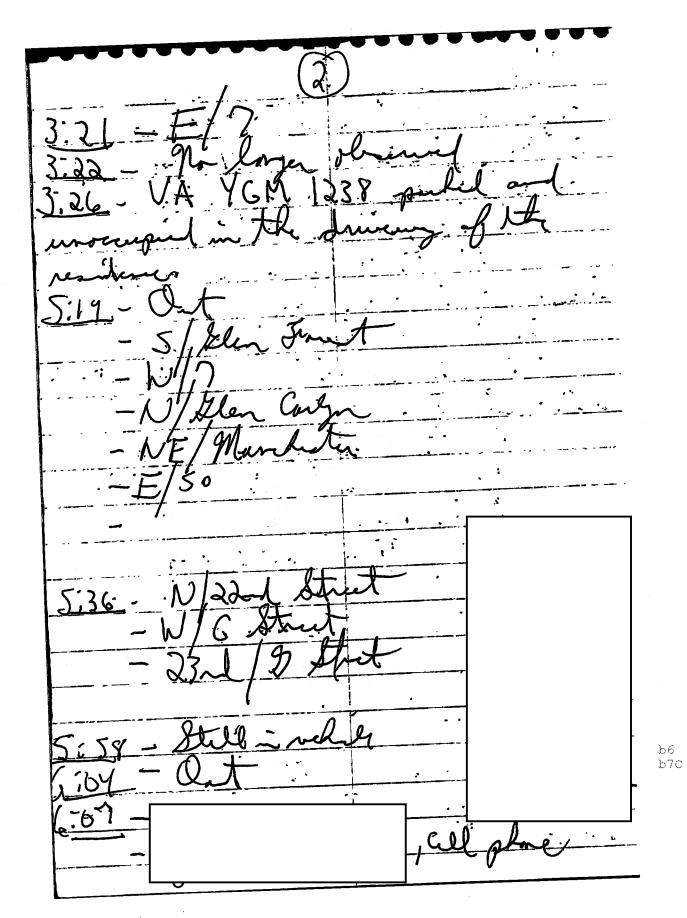
The Saudis stand behind all of it. The kingdom pledged \$400 million last year for the support of "martyrs' families," according to the Saudi Embassy website. At \$5,300 per "martyr," that works out to about 75,000 martyrs, suggesting the Saudi princes anticipate a lot more suicide bombings than Israel has yet suffered. The Saudis offered a fraudulent "peace" plan this year intended to divert attention from their involvement in the horrors of September 11.

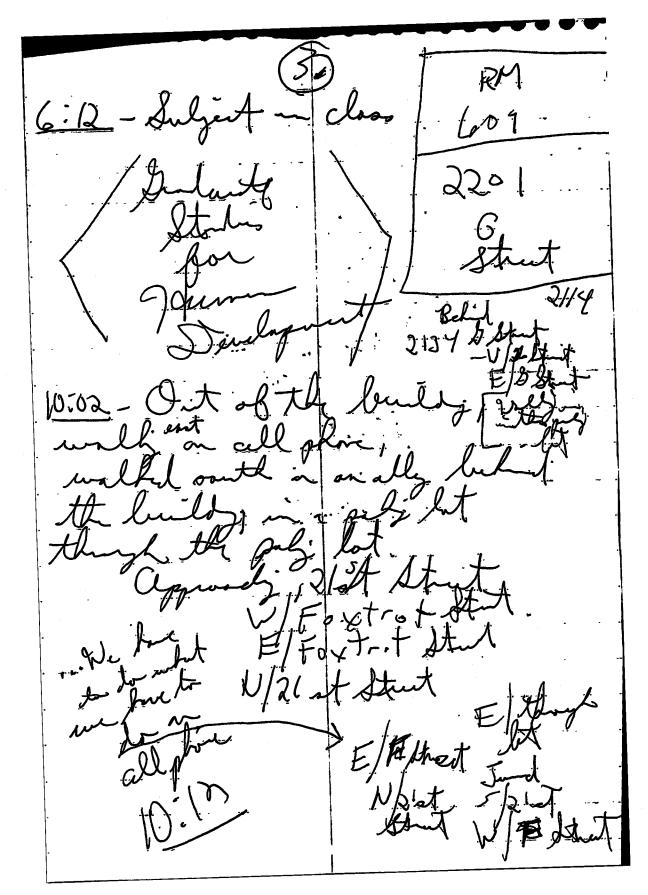
The keystone of the Saudi-sponsored Northern Virginia network is the Saar Foundation, created by Suleiman Abdul Al-Aziz al-Rajhi, a scion of one of the richest Saudi families. The Saar Foundation is connected to Al-Taqwa, a shell company formerly based in Switzerland, where its leading figures included a notorious neo-Nazi and Islamist, Ahmed Huber. Subsequently moved to the United States. Al-Taqwa was shut down after September 11 and its assets frozen by U.S. presidential order. But operations continued, as the Wahhabi lobby shifted to its backup institutions here.

Saar has also been linked to Khalid bin Mahfouz, former lead financial adviser to the Saudi royal family and ex-head of the National Commercial Bank of Saudi Arabia. Mahfouz has been named by French intelligence as a backer of Osama bin Laden; Mahfouz endowed the Muwafaq Foundation, which U.S. authorities confirm was an arm of bin Laden's terror organization. Muwafaq's former chief, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOI/PA
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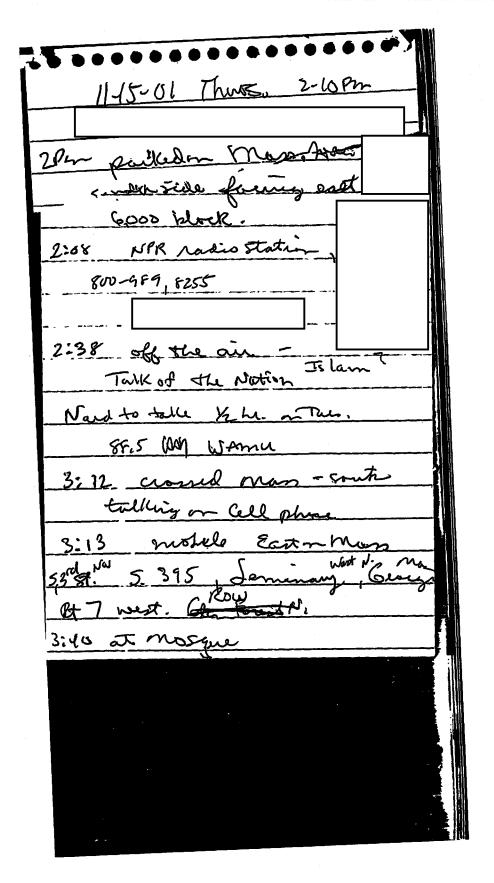
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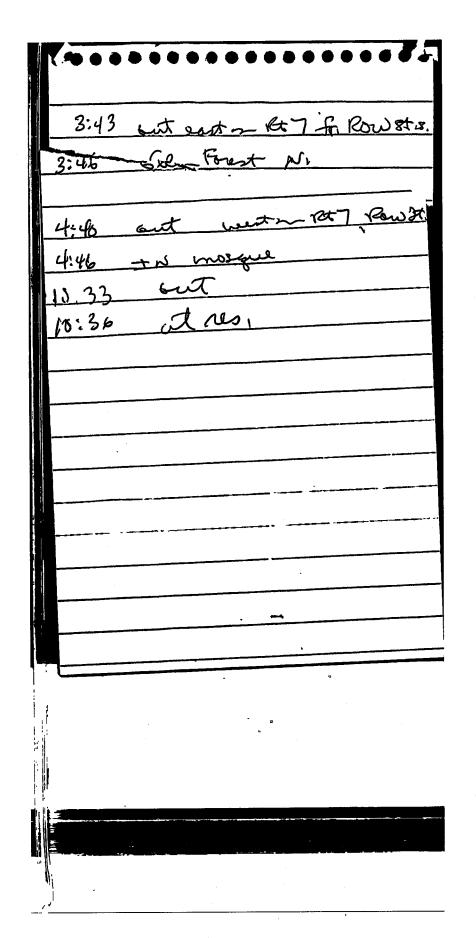
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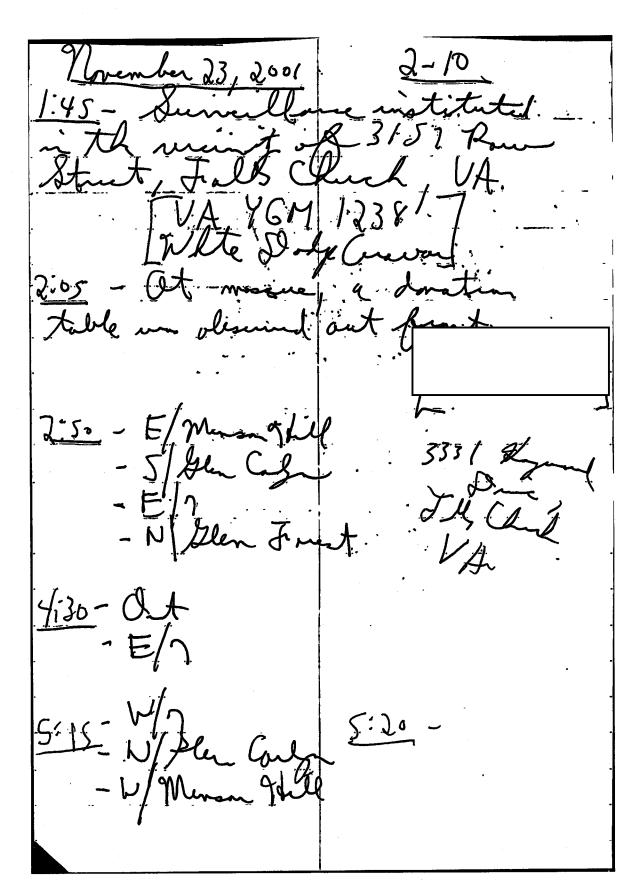
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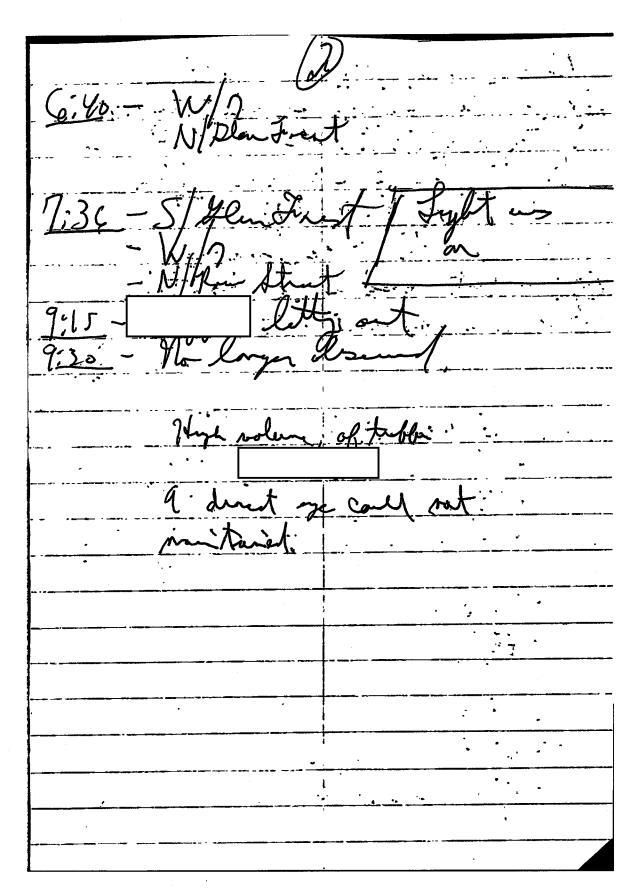
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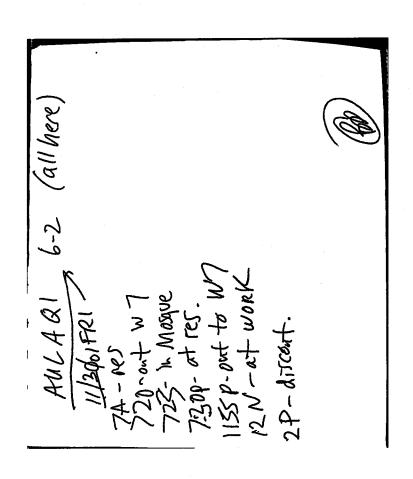
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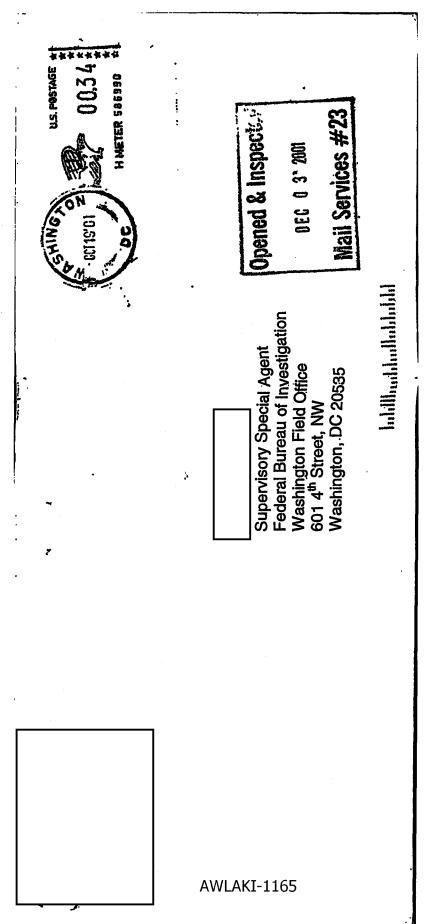
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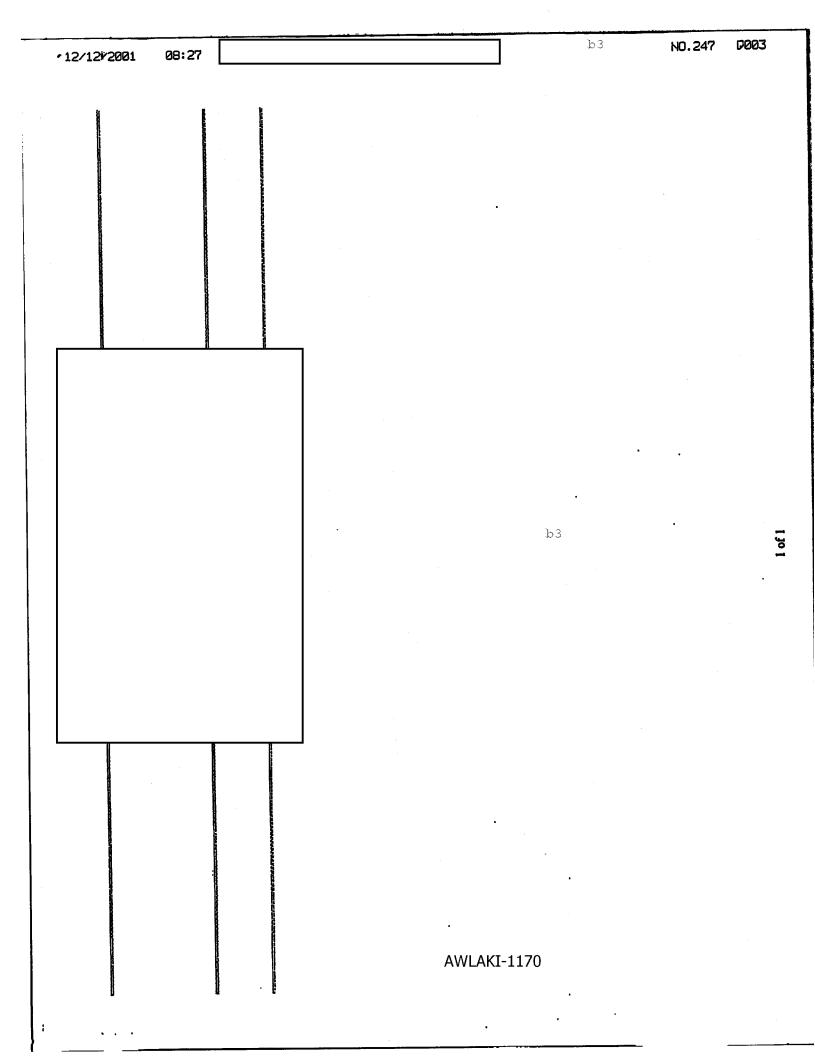
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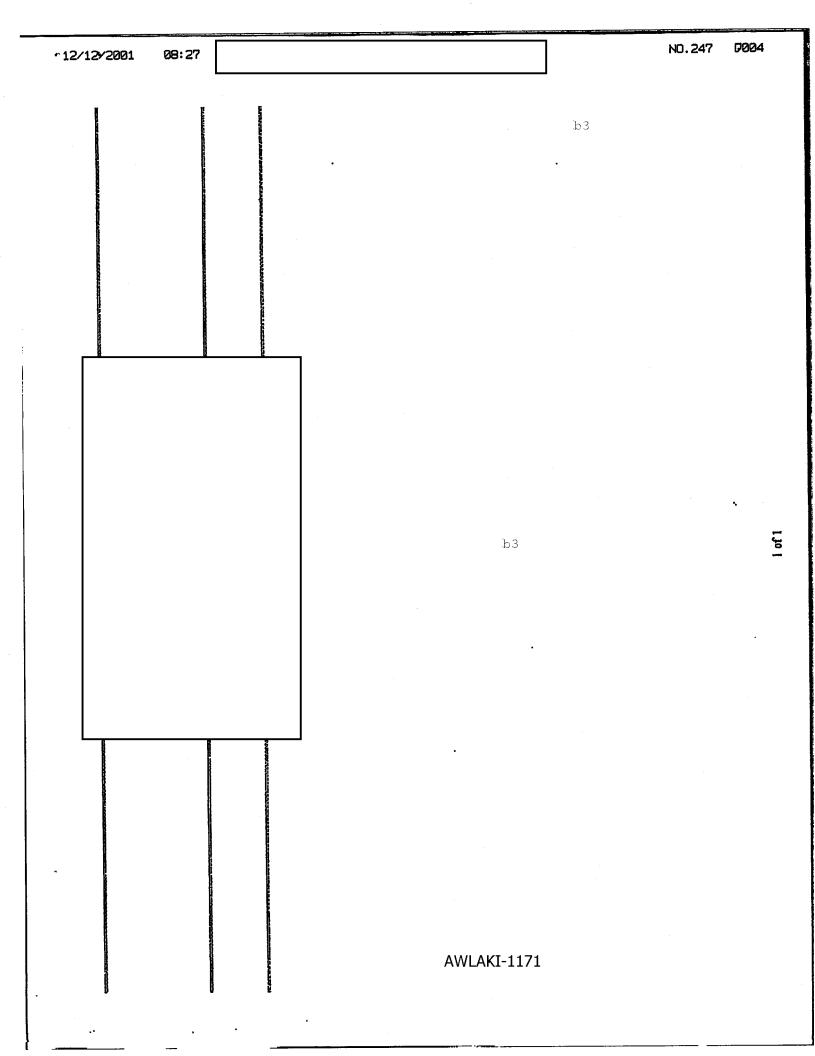
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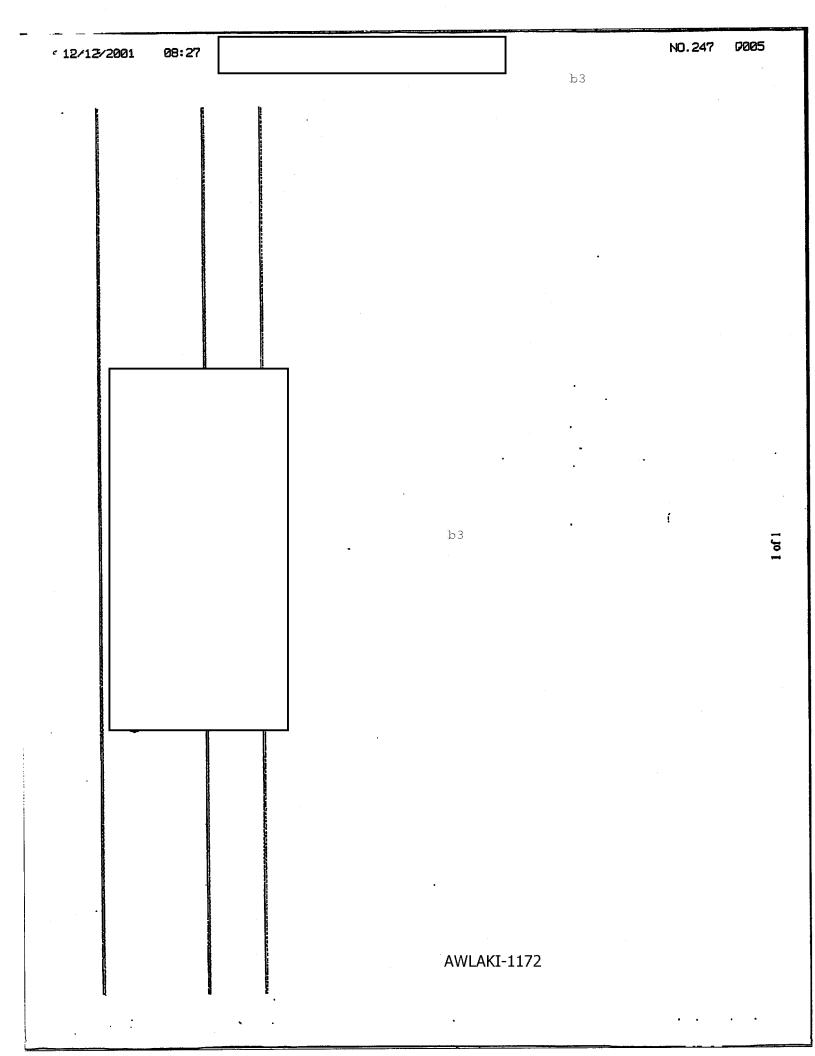
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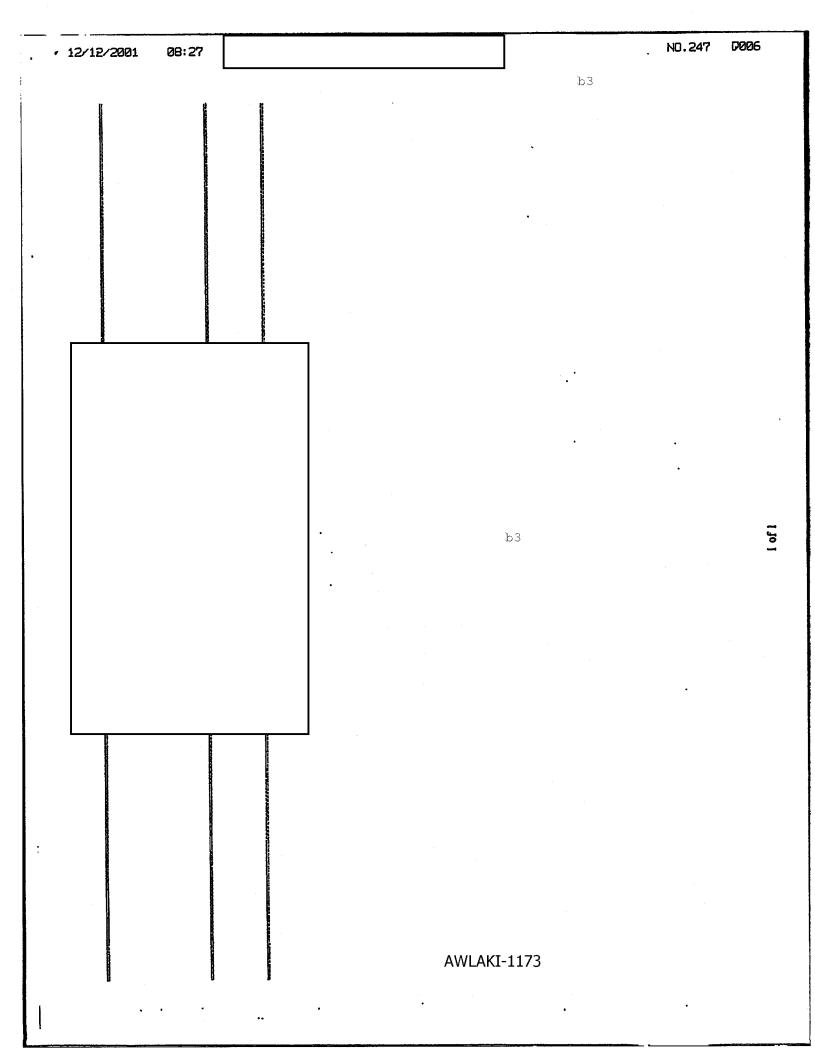
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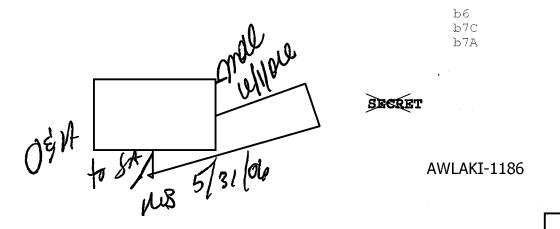
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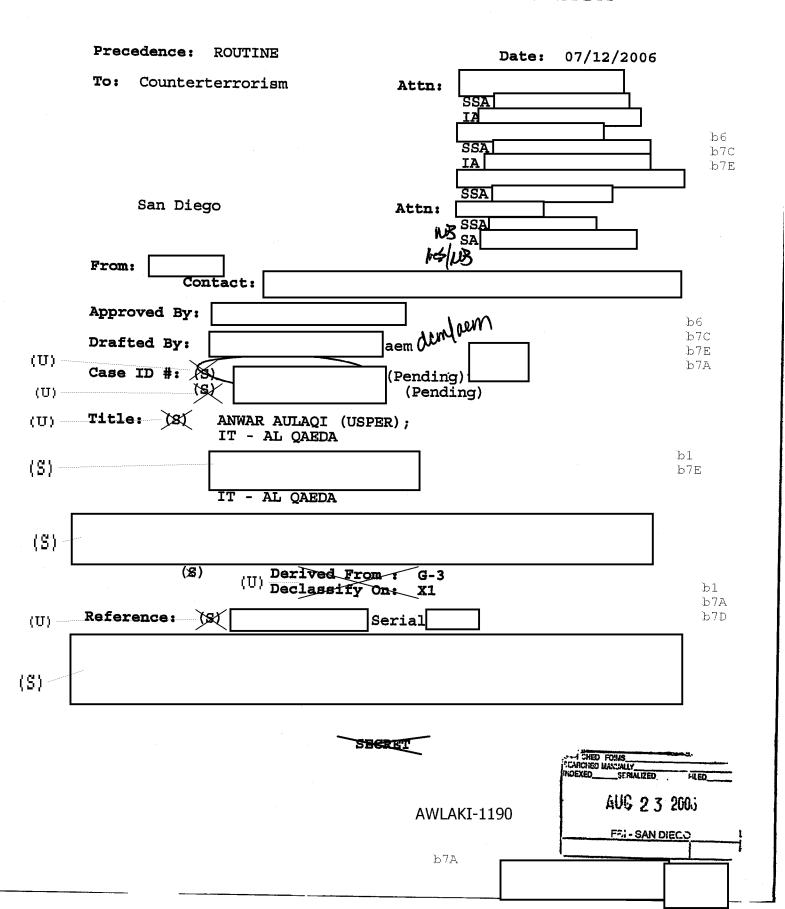
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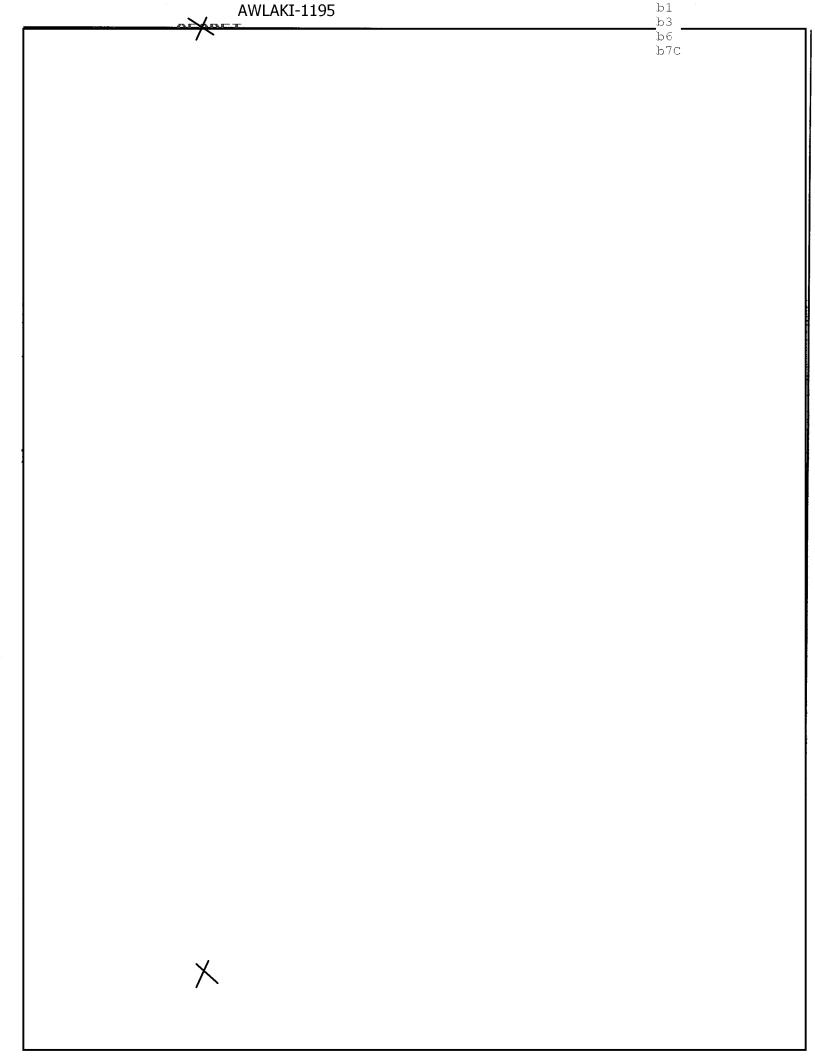
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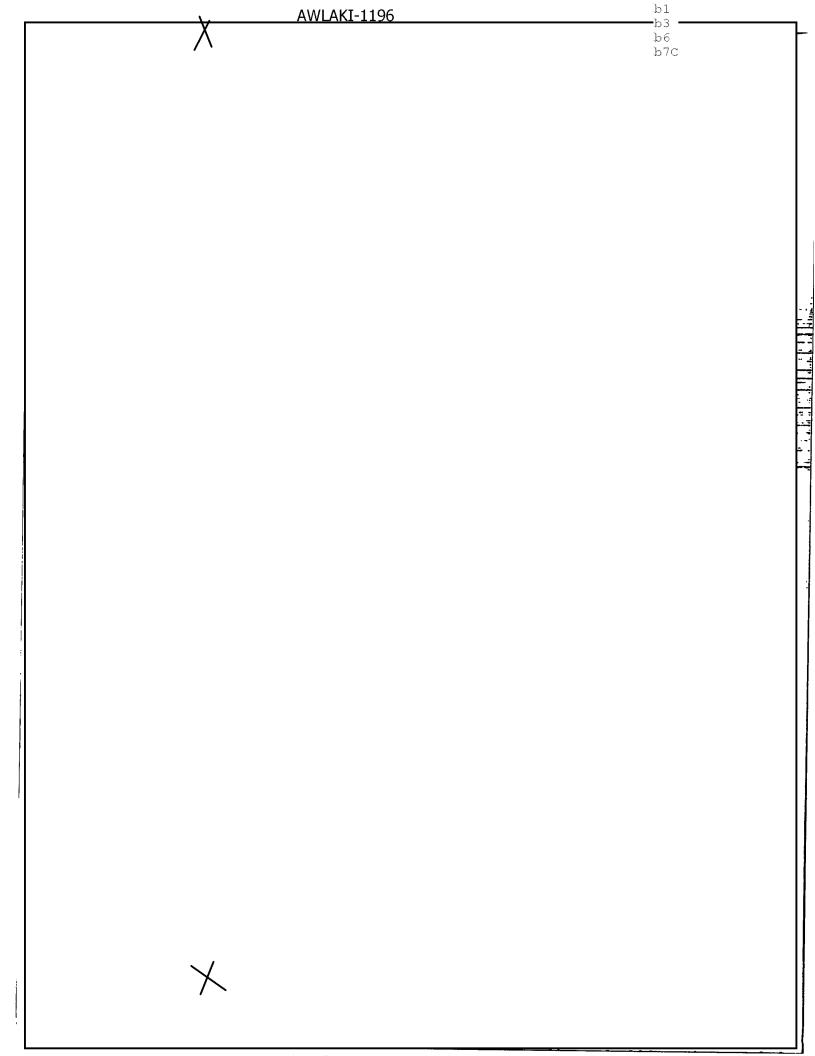
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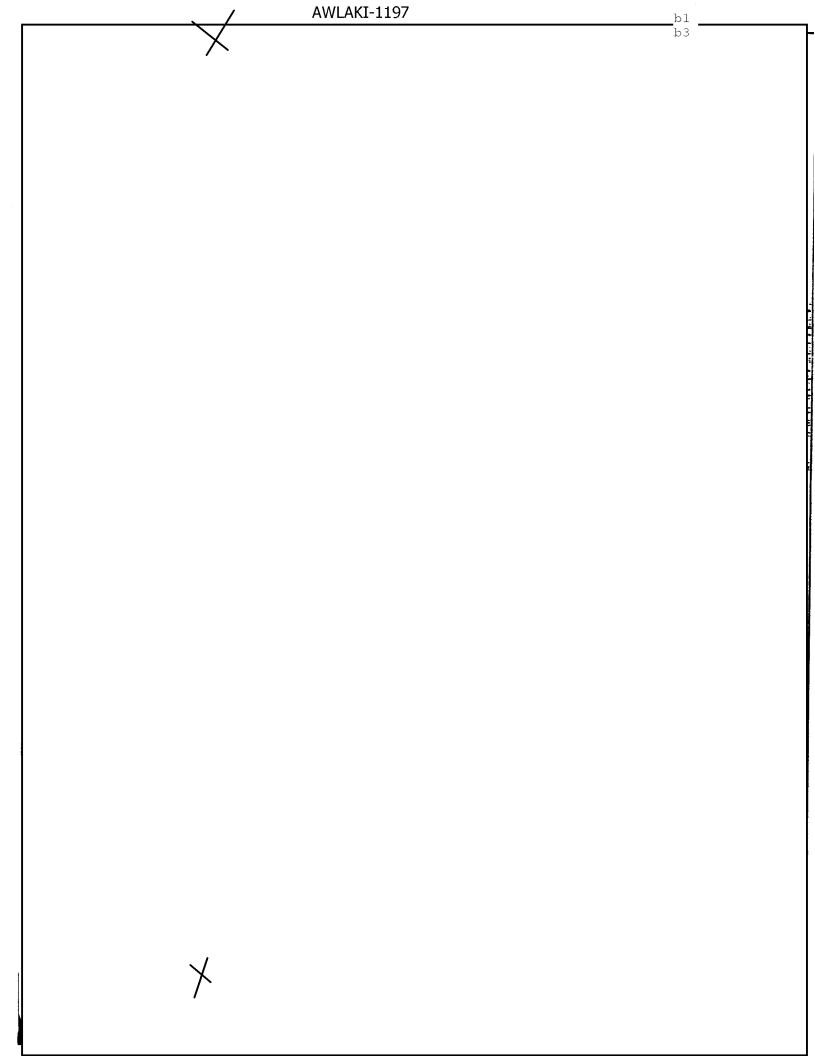
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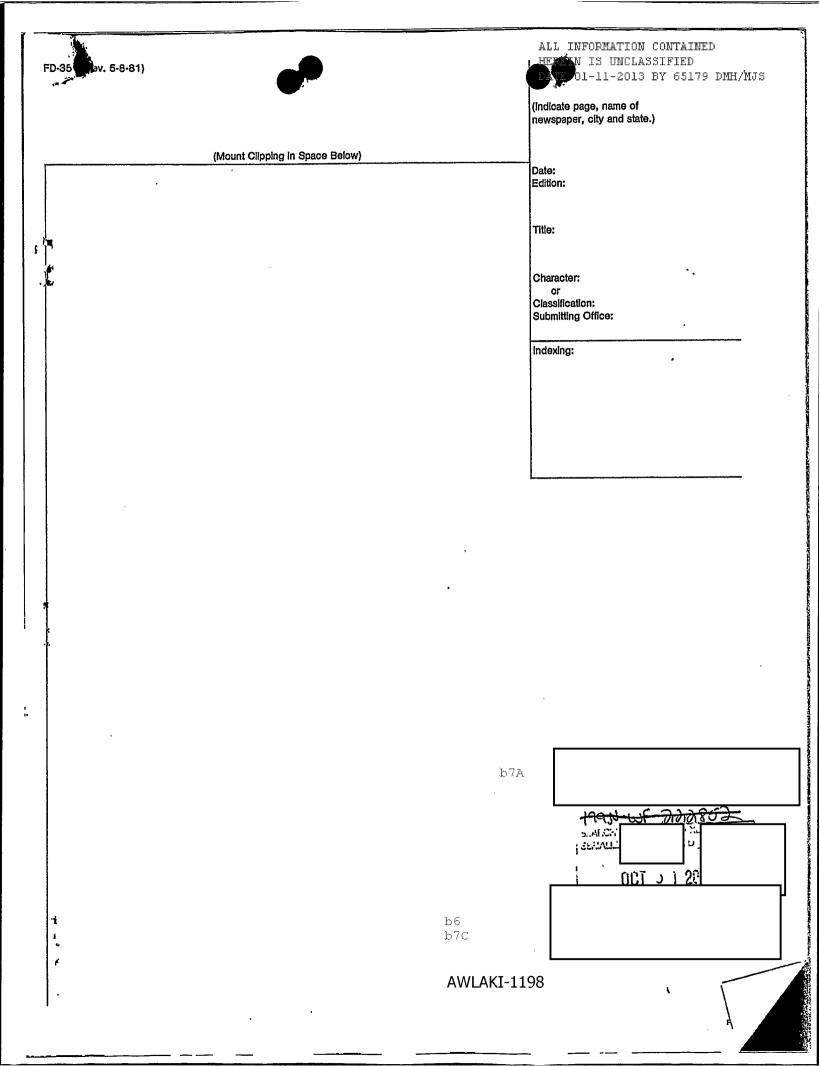




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Hate Crimes Against Muslims Nationwide Abate

Calls for Tolerance, Fees About Anthrax Cited as Factors

By Rene Sanchez Washington Post Staff Writer

LOS ANGELES—After spending more than a month tracking a rash of threats, vandalism and violence against Muslims. the hate crimes unit here has ended the past few days relieved to file the same report: All quiet.

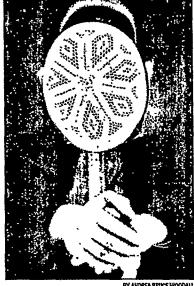
1 Sheriff's deputies have not had to investigate any new cases in a week, their first break since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"We were getting bombarded with incidents for a while, and we were getting really nervous about where this situation said Lt. Joe Impellizeri, who leads 12. squad. "But it has been very encouraging lately."

Similar signs are emerging across the country. Law enforcement officials and leaders in Arab American and Muslim communities are braced for more trouble. but say they are heartened that a wave of random assaults against people of Middle Eastern descent, or mistaken for Muslims, may be subsiding.

Hussein Ibish, a director of the Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee, a national group based in Washington, said that since Sept. 11 more than 400 such incidents of violence have been reported nationwide, six of which resulted in death. "It has slowed down some-23vh recently," Ibish said.

San Diego, where several of the terrorist hijackers had lived for a time, fear of hate crimes has kept many Muslims away



Sheikh Anwar Al-Awlaki, limam of Falls Church's Dar Al Hijrah mosque, which was closed because of fear the congregation might be threatened or harmed, prays during a community news conference.

from mosques or Islamic community centers, some of which were struck by paintballs and firecrackers and subjected to bomb-scares. But that mood is changing.

"In the past week, we have not received any threats," said Omaran Abdeen, a leader at the Islamic Center of San Diego. "People are getting more comfortable, particularly the women. Some had not even left their homes for a while."

Abdeen also said that he was pleasantly surprised by the experience he had traveling on a commercial airline flight last weekend. "I was expecting to be singled out, or to be harassed because of my name

and how I look, even though I was born in this country," he said. "But I had no problems whatsoever."

Police and Muslim leaders say hate crimes may be decreasing simply because the extreme rage and fear that some Americans had is waning, or being replaced by pervasive new anxiety over anthrax. They also credit President Bush, who visited an Islamic center in Washington shortly after the attacks, and state and local leaders who have denounced vigilante violence.

But some Muslim leaders also say they began noticing a decline in hate crimes after the U.S. military bombing campaign began in Afghanistan earlier this month.

"Maybe that has given people who are inclined to take vengeance an outlet for their aggressiveness," Ibish said. "Maybe they feel something is being done now that the war has started."

In New Jersey, where authorities are investigating nearly 80 recent hate crimes against Arabs, Muslims or people who appeared to be Middle Eastern, most of the cases were reported in September. "As we get farther away from the incident, they seem to be tapering off," said Emily Hornaday, a spokeswoman for the state's criminal justice department.

Still, Ibish and others say their worries about hate crimes are hardly over. In Michigan, which has one the country's largest Arab American populations, authorities say that lately they have been getting reports of subtler forms of discrimination against Muslims in housing and employment, or by police officers stopping and questioning them because they fit an ethnic profile.

"We're still receiving many complaints about police conduct and harassment at work," said Lekan Oguntoyinbo, a spokesman for the Michigan Department of Civil

Ibish said, "What we could be facing next is a long period of discrimination, that is infinitely harder to catch and deal. with."

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is still investigating about 50 ob vious or suspected hate crimes linked to. the attacks. The incidents are similar to. those that have flared nationwide—fights in convenience stores, arsons, vehicle destruction and several shootings and beatings. One of its latest cases involved a Hisnanic man who was mistaken as Middle. Eastern by two assailants who followed. him home and kicked in his front door.

Hoping to prevent more assaults, the department has increased patrols around, mosques and neighborhoods with large numbers of Arab or Muslim residents. It., has urged managers at radio and televies. sion stations to broadcast messages of tolerance and diversity. In some states, governors have taped radio messages on. religious tolerance.

Before the attacks, California, the nation's most racially diverse state, had been averaging about five hate crimes a day. + Over the past six weeks, the daily tally of. ten has been four or five times as high. Preliminary hate crime statistics collected. from law enforcement agencies in the, state's six largest cities in September; showed nearly 250 anti-Arab incidents, --many-of-them involving violence. But the figures are returning to normal levels.

"It's too early to tell whether this trend. will last," said Sandra Michioku, a spokes woman for the state attorney general's of: fice. "All we know for sure is that communities and law enforcement are really mobilized on this issue."

Special correspondent Jeff Adler contributed to this report.

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Missile Defense Tests Are Put Off

U.S. Delay Averts Face-Off With Russia

By AIAN SIPRESS and BRADIEY GRAHAM Washington Post Staff Writers

The Bush administration put the brakes on its missile defense program yesterday, steering clear of a confrontation with Russia by deciding for the first time to delay testing elements of the system that could violate the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty.

With President Bush hoping to close a deal on strategic weapons when he meets Russian President Vladimir Putin in the United States next month, administration officials said they would put off a pair of exercises scheduled for this fall that involve using two radars to track rocket firings.

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By Steve Twomey and Avram Goldstein Washington Post Staff Writers

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AULAQI was tall and thin with a full beard, in his mid 30's, he was
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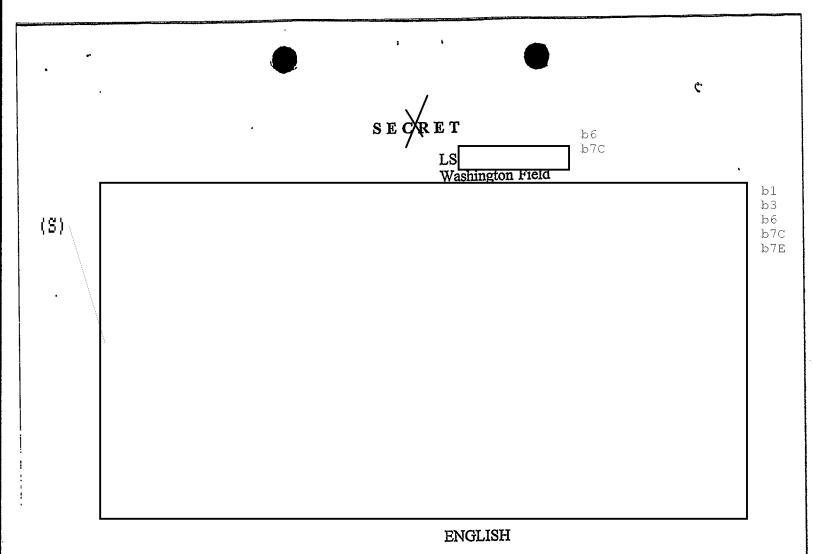
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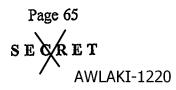
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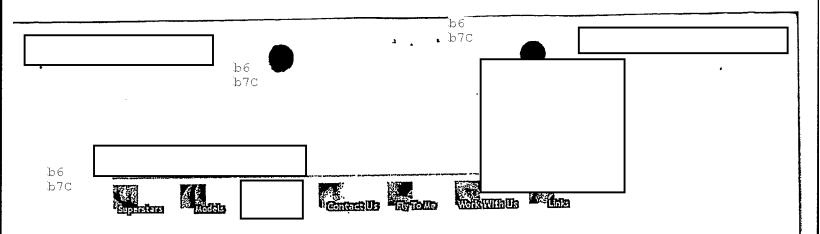
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(U)	Aulaqi at approximately 2:54pm as he visited an automatic teller machine at the Seven Eleven convenience store at 3011 Patrick Henry Drive, Falls Church, VA. Aulaqi subsequently drove into Washington, DC and was observed entering the Swissotel at 2650 Virginia Avenue, NW around 3:58pm. At approximately 4:47pm	
(U)	Aulaqi departed the Swissotel and drove back to his residence. The	
	a. hourly rate b7c of \$250.00 in-call or out-call, for an appointment call b. hourly rate of \$350.00 per hour in-call or out-call, for an appointment call	
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Investigation at WFO disclosed that room 15223 of (\mathbf{U}) (protect the Loews L'Enfant Plaza was registered to b6 b7C identity), listing an address of checked into the hotel on 11/05/01 and was b7D scheduled to depart on 11/11/01. On 11/09/01, the writer and SA (\mathbf{U}) in room 15223 of the Loews's Hotel. interviewéd and that on 11/05/01 she stated that she works for performed oral sex on Anwar Aulaqi, he paid her \$400.00 in cash. b6 displayed for interviewing agents hand written notes b7C detailing her escort customers in Washington, DC. The notes b7D contained an entry for a customer on 11/05/01 at 5:00pm with a listed name of Anwar Aulaqi and an address of 3331 Kaywood Drive,

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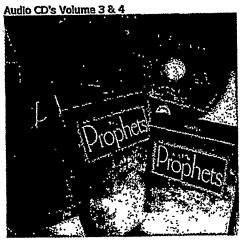
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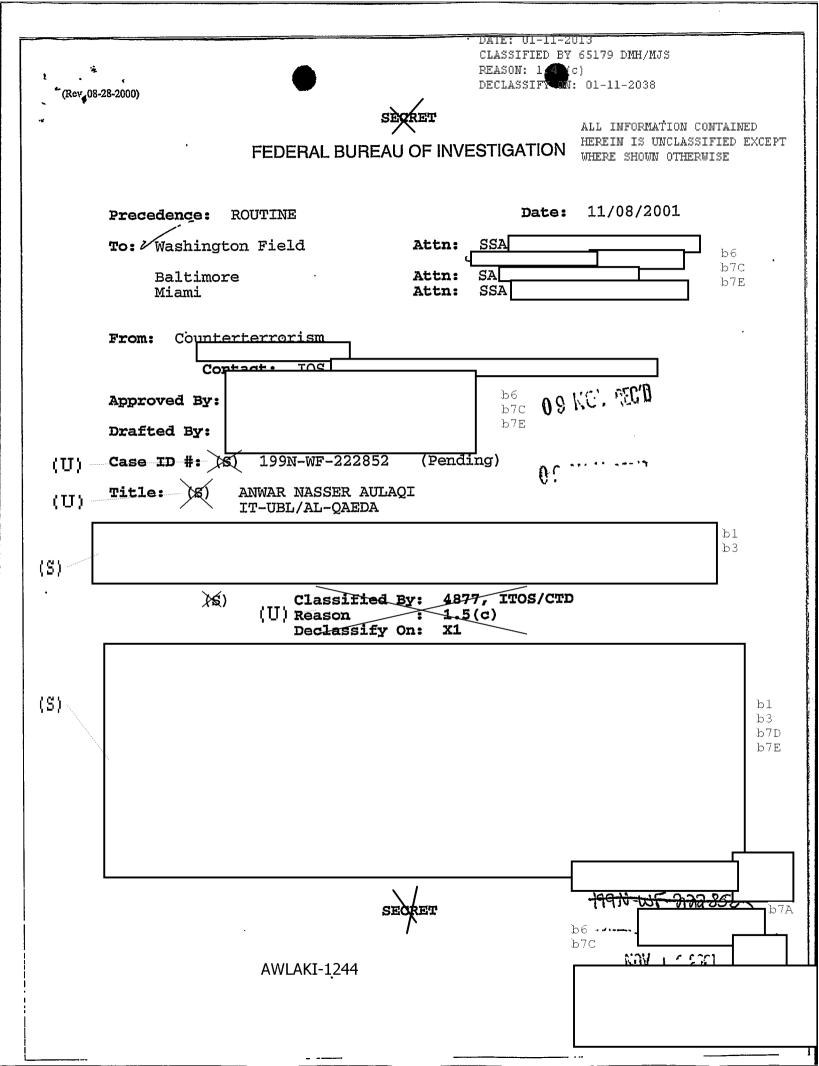
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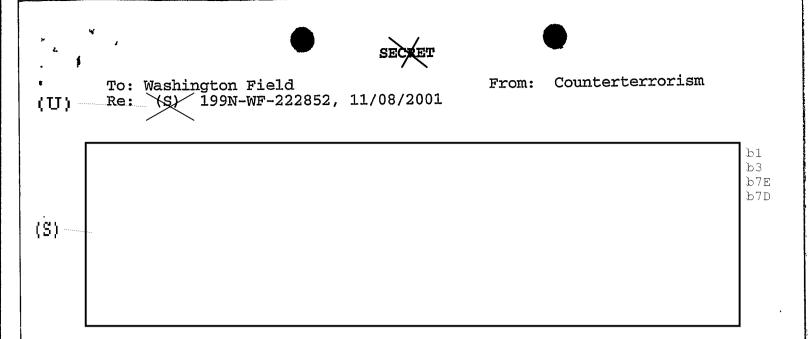
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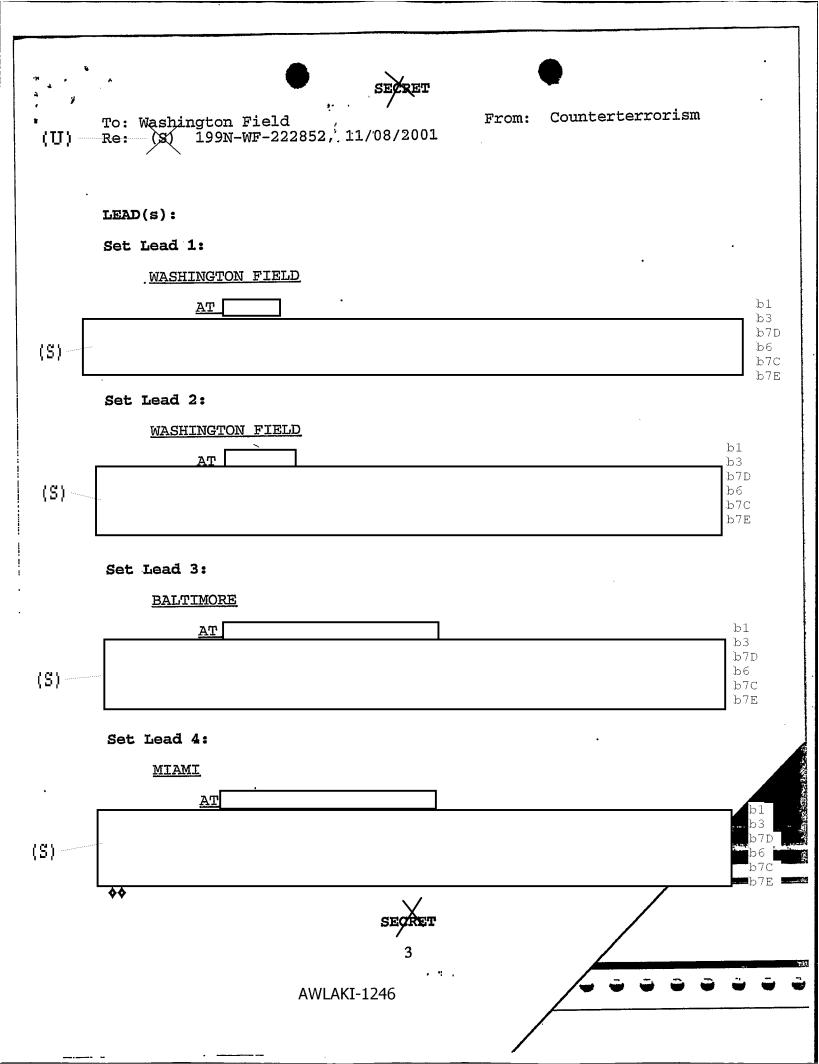
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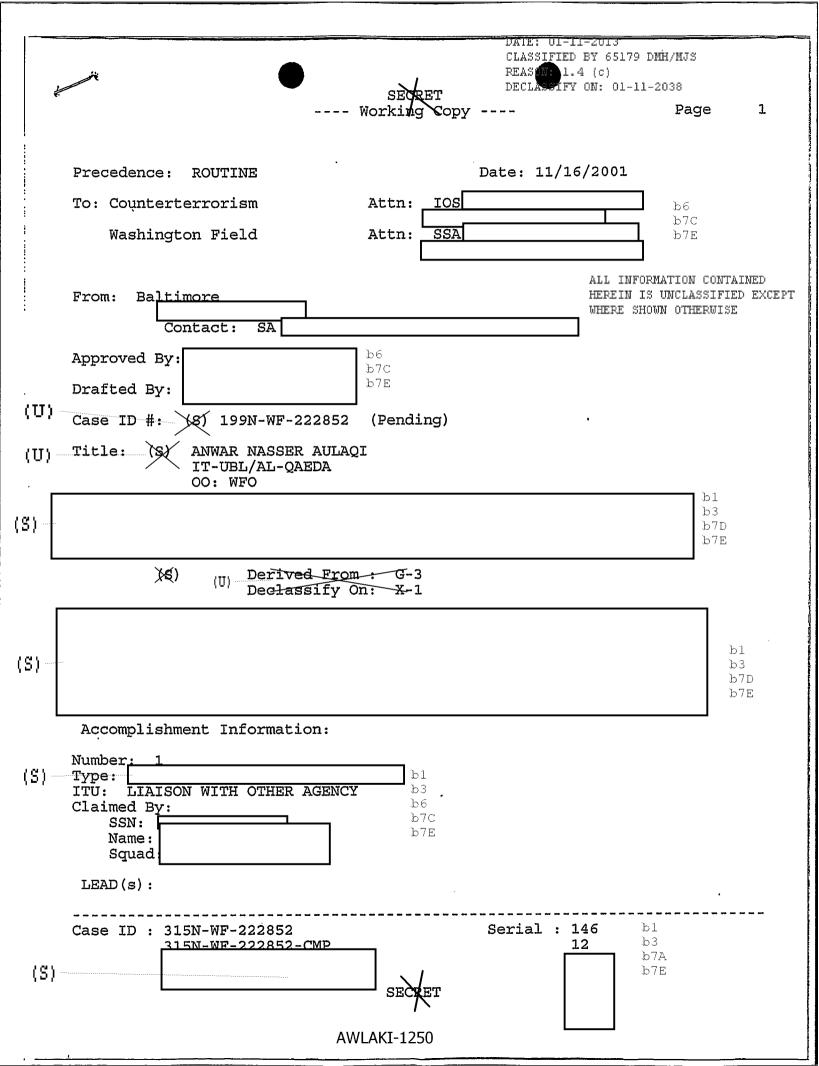
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(U)	customers the unique opportunity to meet some of the adult entertainment industries hottest stars for elite companionship, some of today's most breathtaking porn stars and centerfolds are available at for personal encounters.	6 7C
(U)	site identified a girl using the name as visiting Washington DC from 11/05/01 to 11/11/01. The advertisement for indicated the instructions to visit for a current tour schedule or to book a travel date. For same day appointments, the telephone number was provided.	b6 b7С
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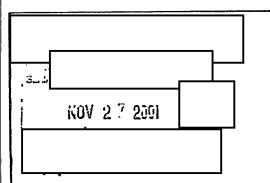
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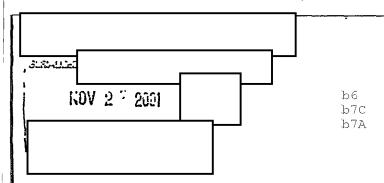
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From: Albuquerque Contact:	
Approved By: b6 b7c	
Drafted By:	
Case ID #: 265A-NY-280350-AK (Pending) - 160	
Title: PENTTBOMB MAJOR CASE 182	
Synopsis: Copy of birth certificate for Anwar Nasser Aulaqi obtained. Lead covered.	
Reference: 265A-NY-280350 Serial 3668	
Enclosure(s): Enclosed for San Diego is an FD-340 with a copy of birth certificate for Anwar Nasser Abdulla Aulaqi. Enclosed for Washington Field Office is an FD-340 with a certified copy of birth certificate for same individual.	
Details: This lead is in response to Rapid Start lead AQ1229.	*
On October 19, 2001, the New Mexico Vital Records and Health Statistics Office, Public Health Division for the State of New Mexico was contacted in order to obtain a copy of a birth certificate for Anwar Nasser Aulaqi with date of birth 04/21/1971. On October 24, 2001, a facsimile copy of birth certificate #1382187 was received at the Las Cruces RA, Albuquerque Division, for Anwar Nasser Abdulla Aulaqi. Date of birth was indicated as April 22, 1971, county of birth as Dona Ana. was listed as the father and was listed as the mother. The date of registration was April 30, 1971. On November 8, 2001, a certified copy of the aforementioned birth certificate was received at the Las Cruces RA. The certified copy is being forwarded to Washington Field Office.	ъ6 ъ7с
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Counterterrorism From: Albuquerque 265A-NY-280350, 11/13/2001

To: Re:

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This is your receipt. Copy 01 of 01
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New Mexico Vital Records and Health Statistics Public Health Division
Post Office Box 26110 Santa Fe, NM 87502 Request No. 26401130567
FBI NOVEMBER 5. 2001
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Reference: NASSER
AULAQI FBI 19710498078.04221971,07
P.O. BOX 997 LAS CRUCES, NM 88004
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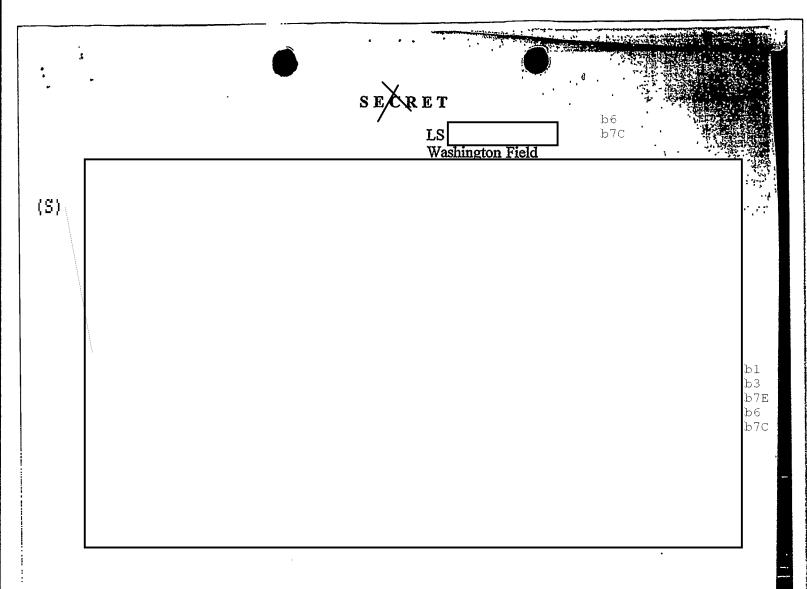
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P.O. Box 26110/1105 St Francis Dr. (Address of Contributor)	-
Santa Fe, NM 87502	•
By . IA b6 b7C	
To Be Returned Yes No Receipt Given. Yes No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6 (e) Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure Yes No Federal Taxpayer Information (FTI) Yes No Title: Pen+1-bomb	•
Reference: EC dated 11/13/01 (Communication Enclosing Material)	
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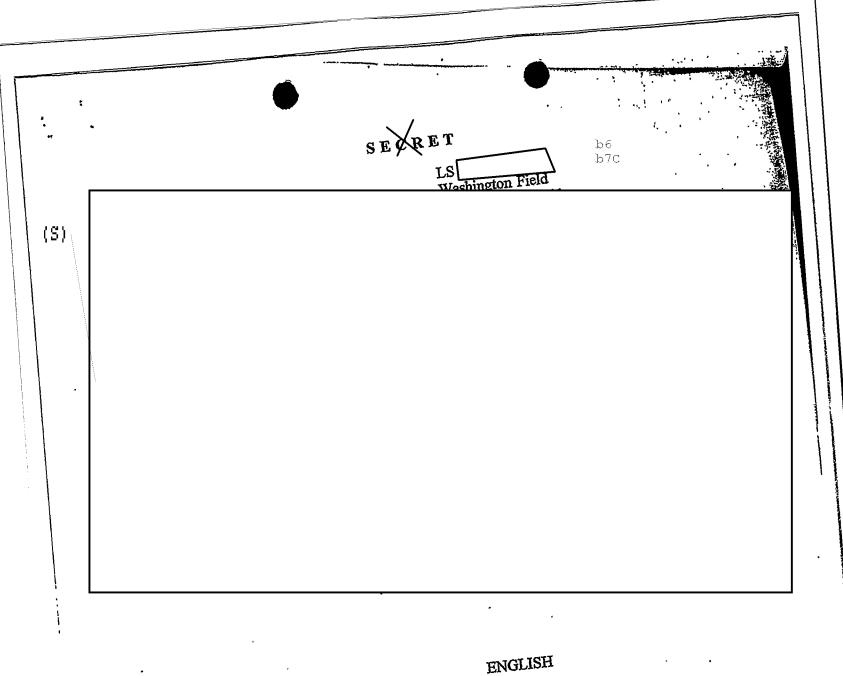
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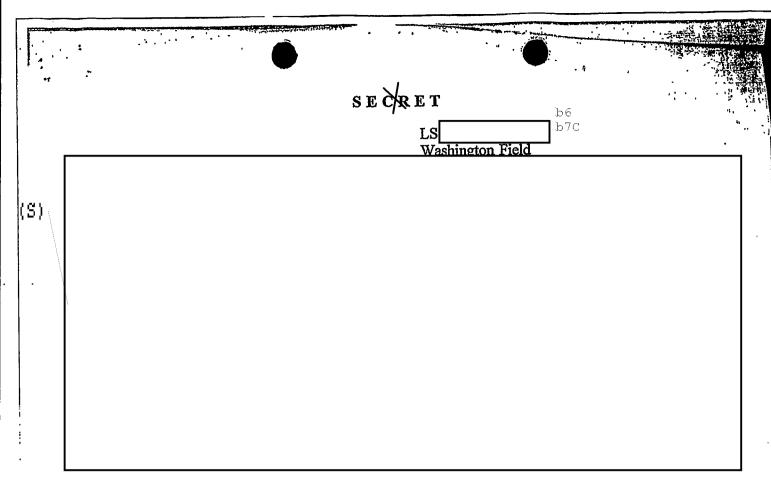
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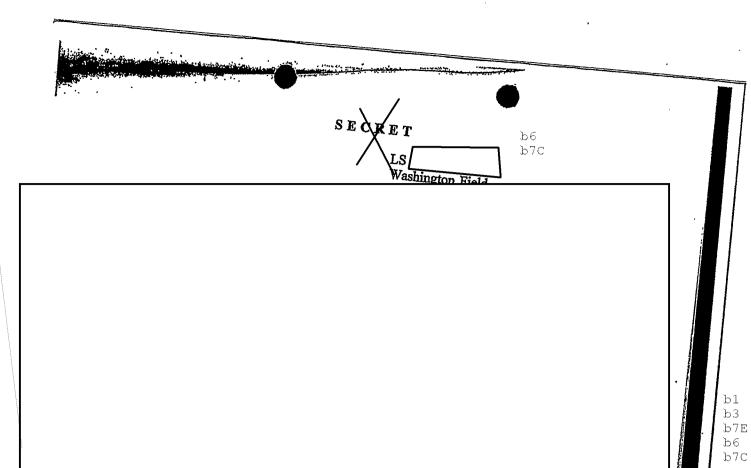
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(U) —	L	revealed a company called using telephone numbers The advertisement depicted six girls as Washington DC Companions, including who would be visiting between 11/19/01 and 11/27/01, and a girl who would be visiting between 12/17/01 and 12/20/01.	
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ا (U)	Visited the Washington Suites Hotel at 2500 Denngylyania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20037. Consultation with] b6 b7C b7D
(U) -	Motel. She stated that she had been working for escort service since September, 2001. She advised that on Friday, 11/23/01 a man visited her in the evening, she described the man as tall and thin with a full beard, and polite. He claimed to be from India and employed as a computer engineer. This person stood out as somewhat suspicious because of his full beard, something that seemed out of place in America right now, given the recent terrorist attacks. could not remember this man's name. was then shown a photograph of Anwar Aulaqi, which she positively identified as the man she was speaking about. This was the first meeting between and Aulaqi.	b6 b70 b71
(U)	When Anwar Aulagi showed up at the hotel room on Friday night (11/23/01), asked to see one of his business cards to verify he was the person who called for a reservation. Aulagi did not have a business card, instead he displayed an electronic information storage device which contained an entry with the name of a computer company. could not remember the name of the company.	С
.(U) ···	one hour appointment. then had sexual intercourse with Aulagi.	
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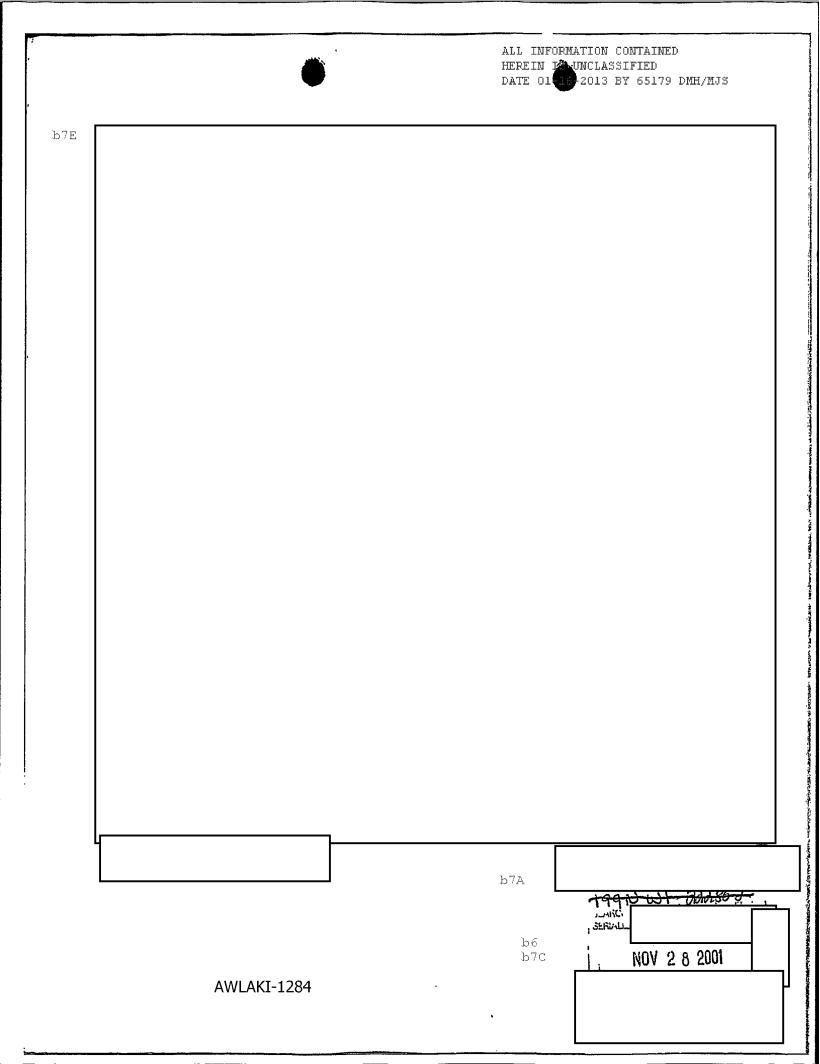
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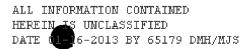
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ir ir	etails: In connection with leads generated from the PENTTBOM nvestigation (265A-NY-280350) conducted financial nvestigation relating to ANWAR NASSER AULAOL SSAN 521-77-7121, b7E OR 04/21/1971. Concurrently, WFO opened (199G-WF-222852) targeting AULAQI. Results of financial investigation to date have been provided to
느	and forwarded to the 199Q-WF-222852 case file.
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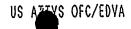
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Records ordered by but not yet received will be forwarded to upon receipt. b7E	-
In addition to financial investigation conducted by WFO, FBI and IRS- San Diego conducted financial investigation relating to AULAQI (AULAQI resided in San Diego prior to moving to Falls Church, VA). Contacts are: IRS SA	
telephone TRS-San Diego, SA	b6
has requested to open a tax case on AULAQI for the years he lived in San Diego. FBI-San Diego is not conducting any further financial investigation relating to AULAQI, and has forwarded all records to WFO.	b7C
will not, on its own accord, conduct any further pro-active investigation regarding AULAQI. However, will remain available to assist with additional financial investigation of AULAQI, upon specific request. Requests for assistance may be directed to IRS Special Agent (Virginia Office) telephone (FBI-NVRA), or (cellular), and/or SA	b6 b7C b7E

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Dear Mr.	RE: John Doe A01-246 b6 b7C	
According at	ngly, will consider this matter close if you have any questions.	ed and your request answered. Please contact me
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CLERK ~		DATE
ELIZABETH H. PARET, CLERK OF THE	COURT	Oct. 9, 2001
(By) Deputy	b6 b7C	•
This subpoens is assued on appreciation of the United States of America		NAME, ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER OF ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY AUSA Kenneth E. Melson U.S. Attorney's Office
PAUL J. McNULTY UNITED STATES ATTORNEY		U.S. Attorney's Office 2100 Jamieson Avenue Alexandria, Virginia 22314 (703) 299-3700

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On 12/14/01, at approximately 1:30pm, DOB: was interviewed in Room 1010 of the Residence Innotation, 2120 P Street NW, Washington, DC 20037, telephone (202) 466-6800. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview, provided the following information:	h 7.0
works as an adult escort, under the name of for a company called Washington DC working for for two weeks preceding thanksgiving. She left DC to visit her ramily over Thanksgiving and then came back to DC on or about 11/23/01, she has been in DC since then. has been working as an adult escort for approximately two years and is using the money she earns to go to college.	b 6
other than the floor her room is on. She then brings the person her room whereupon she asks for identification and payment in case then telephones her service to let then know the customer has arrived, while she is on the phone with her service she types the name of the customer into her nationwide pager and sends it to a friend. She follows this routine for security reasons.	5h. n b6 c b7C
On Thursday, 12/13/01 at 2:30pm had a first time customer named ANWAR AULAQI. displayed for interviewing agents her nationwide pager which contained the name "ANWAR AULAQI 12/13/01 2:30." AULAQI identified himself by giving three credit cards, they all had the same name on them. She couldn't recall the credit companies but does recall that one of the card was a transparent green color. When was typing AULAQI'S name into the pager he didn't want her to type in his last name took his credit cards away from her, she therefore may have mistyped the last name.	s b6 b7c and
ANWAR AULAQI identified himself as being from Californ originally from India. He stated he was a computer engineer. identified AULAQI as being tall (over 6 feet), very thin, with a full beard, and in his thirties.	ia, b7A
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On 12/14/01, at approximately 12:15pm, for Residence Inn by Marriott, was interviewed at her place of employment, 2120 P Street NW, Washington, DC 20037, telephone (202) 466-6800. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview, provided the following information:
believes there is a female escort/prostitute working out of room 1010 of the hotel. based this opinion on the extended time the woman is staying at the hotel, the fact that the woman pays for her room in cash, the woman doesn't appear to leave during the day, and recently saw this woman talking to someone in front of the hotel who has driving an expensive luxury car.
provided a hotel registration card and photocopy of a Texas driver's license identifying the women she suspects of being a prostitute. The license contained the following information:
NAME: ADDRESS: DOB: HEIGHT: 5'5" EYE COLOR: Green DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER:
The hotel registration card contained the same name and address plus the following additional information:
TELEPHONE NUMBER: ARRIVAL DATE: 11/23/0/L b6 ROOM RATE: \$159.00 b70
is aware that arrived at the hotel in an automobile, she knows that it is a Toyota Corolla but could not
locate any other information on the car. b7A SERIALIZED DEC 1 4 2001
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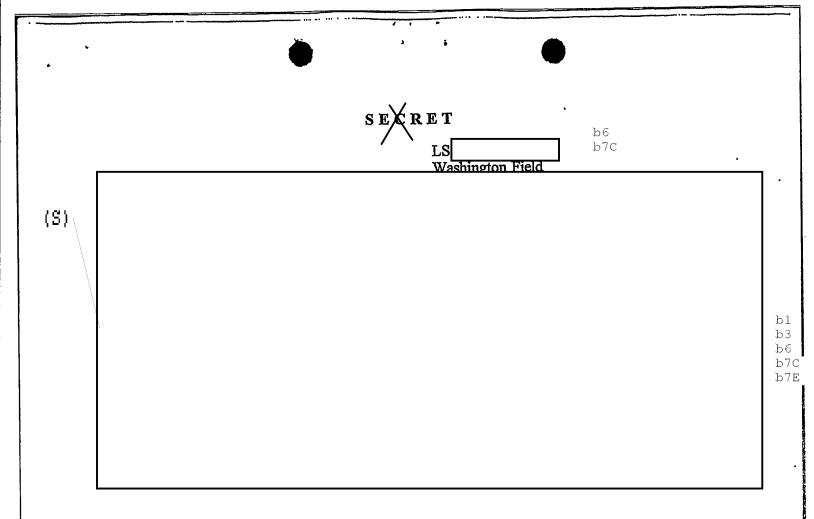
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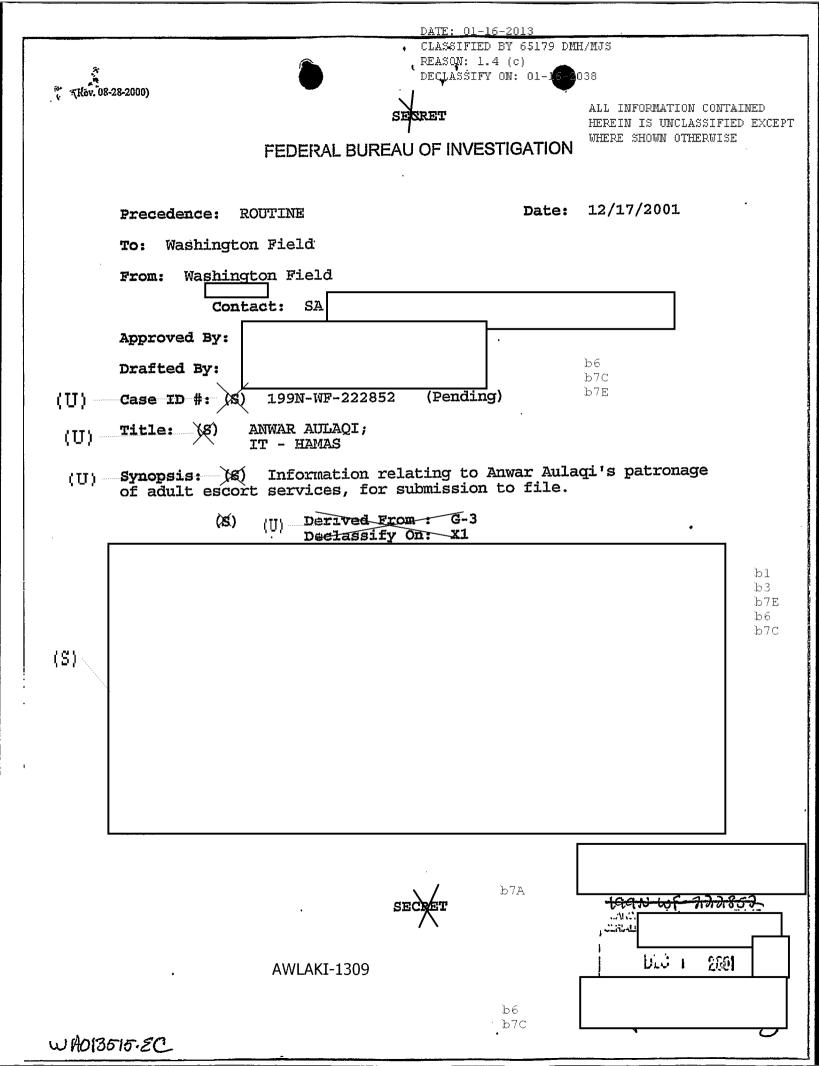
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(U)	and Special Agent met with for Residence Inn by Marriott, 2120 P Street NW, Washington, DC 20037. advised that a woman named may be working as a prostitute out of the hotel, room 1010.	b6 b7C
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(U)	floor other than the floor her room is on. She then brings the person to her room whereupon she asks for identification and payment in cash then telephones her service to let them know the customer has arrived, while she is on the phone with her service she types the name of the customer into her nationwide pager and sends it to a friend. She follows this routine for security reasons.	b6 b7С
(U)	first time customer named Anwar Aulaqi. displayed for interviewing agents her nationwide pager which contained the name "Anwar Aulaqui 12/13/01 2:30." Aulaqi identified himself by giving three credit cards, they all had the same name on them. When was typing Aulaqi's name into the pager he	b6 b7C
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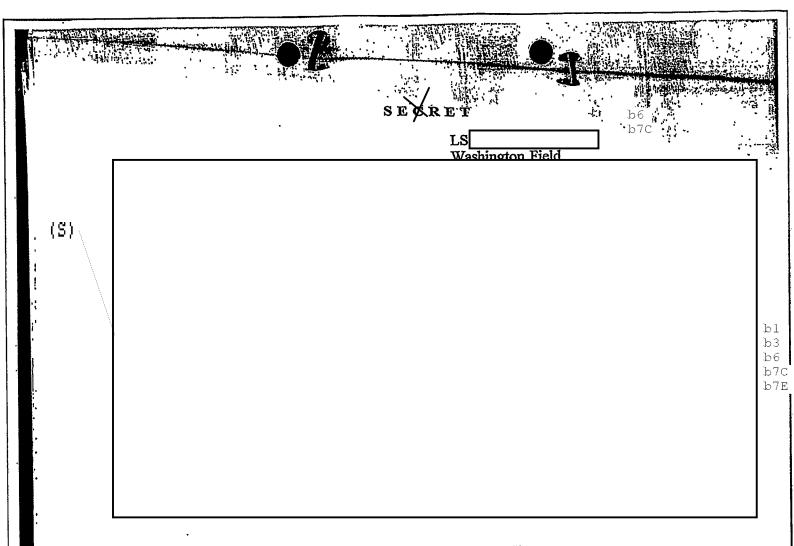
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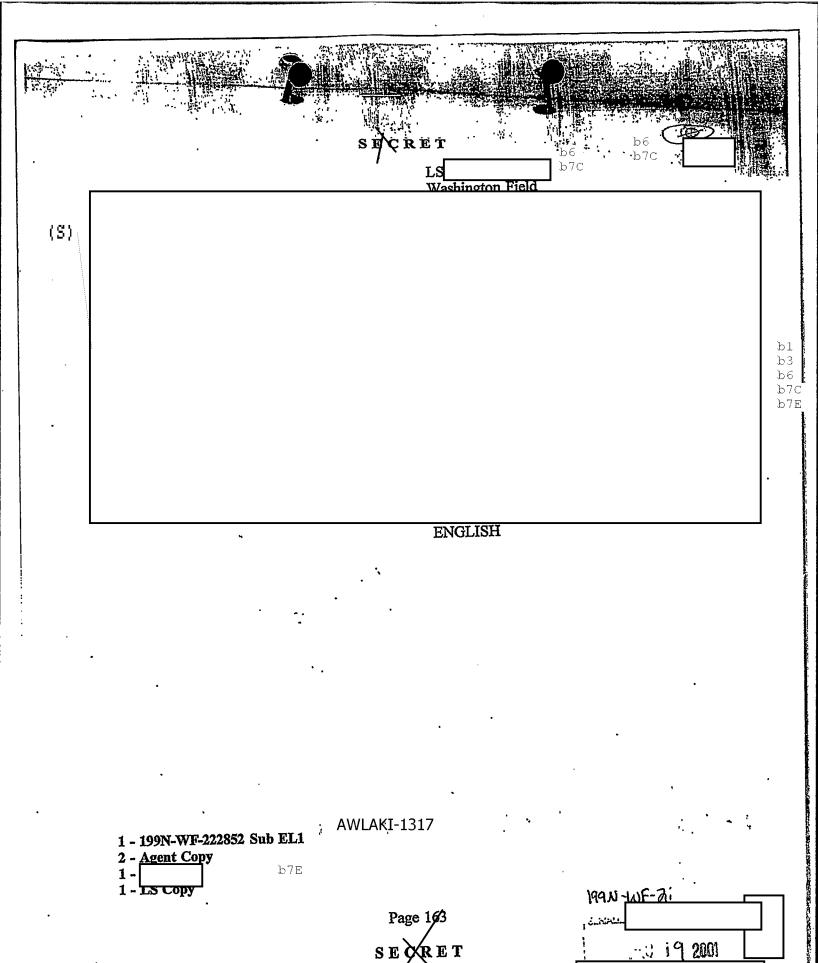
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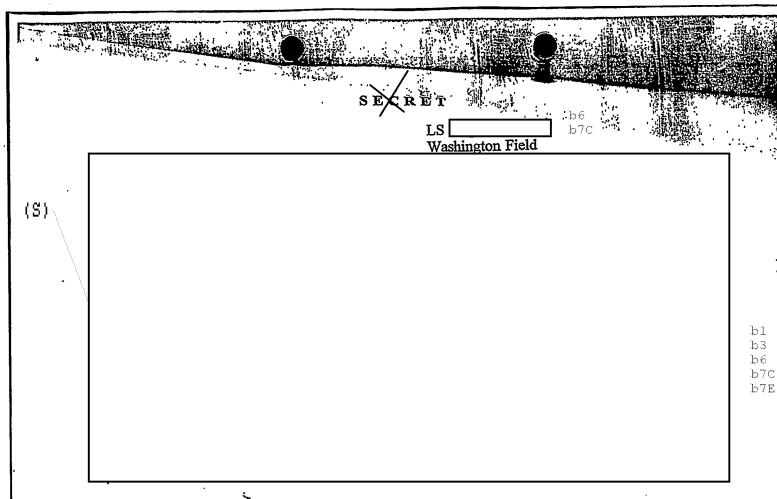
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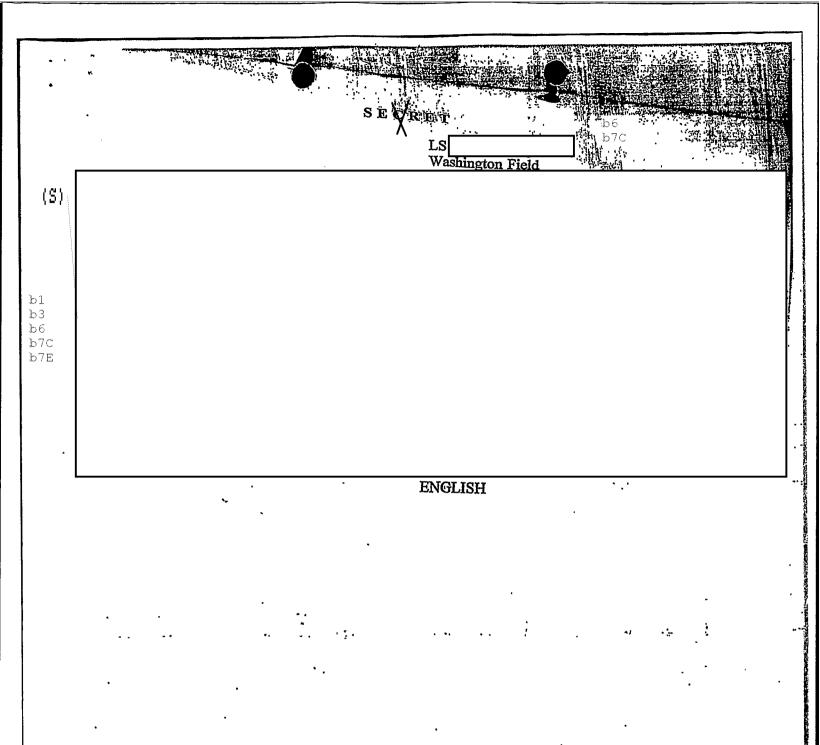


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Washington Field Washington Field From: To: (U) 199N-WF-222852, 01/02/2002 Re: Vehicle Make: Unknown b6 Color: b7C Body Style: 2 Door Tag: b1 (S) b3 **b**6 b7C b7E b6 (U) b7C b7E The writer was unable to personally contact b6 (U) because of other case commitments. b7C On 12/31/01, the writer contacted the (U) or the Monarch Hotel, 2401 M Street NW, Washington, DC. advised that on 12/19/01 the registered The guest in room 405 of the Monardh Hotel was as follows: b7C Name: Address: Telephone: was a guest at the Monarch Hotel between (U) 12/19/01 and 12/23/01. She reserved her room through an unspecified internet booking service, she paid cash for her room.

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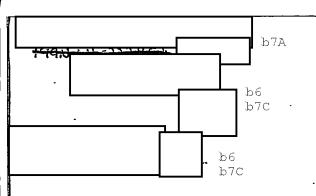
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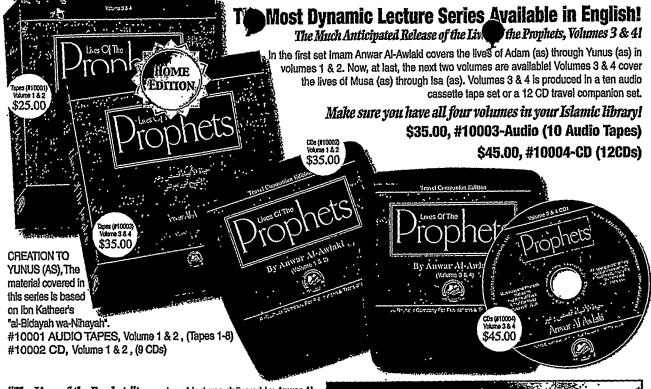
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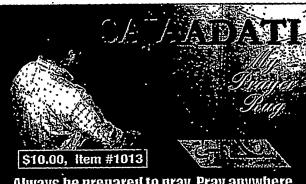
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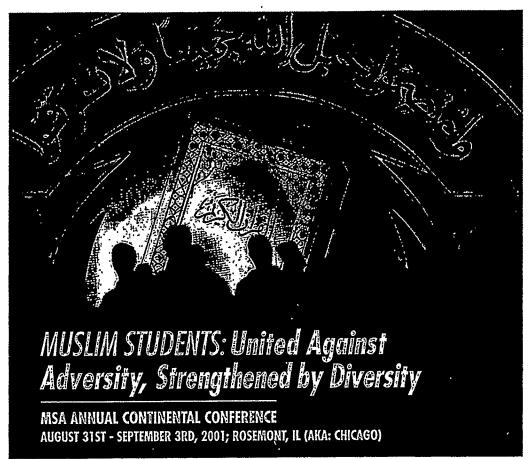
r. Tarig Ramadan is a professor of philosophy at the Geneva College and also teaches Islamic Studies at the University of Friebourg in Switzerland. His ancestry is traced back to his father, Dr. Said Ramadan and his grandfather, Ash-shaheed Hassan Al-Banna, the founder of the Ikhwan Muslimoon. A part of Dr Ramadan's North American tour, was a stop ili Toronto, Ontario, Canada from July 11-12, 2001, sponsored by the Islamic Institute of Toronto and the Muslim Association of Canada. Dr Ramadan requested to meet with youth leaders and workers from Toronto for two private roundtable discussions at the Toronto City Hall.

Sr Omaira Alam (outgoing VP Canada, incoming Ex-Officio) was invited to head up a delegation of MSA Executive members from across southern Ontario. This delegation included Sr Amal Kandar (outgoing East Zone Canada Rep), Sr Sarah Attia (incoming East Zone Canada Rep), Br Fouzan Khan (MSA President, Ryerson Polytechnic University), Br Omair Naeem (Dawah Coordinator, MSA, Uni-

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A Palestinian's Chronicle

Idris Elbakri's e-mail Messages from Palestine

ou can live in Palestine for weeks and not see a single stone thrown. You can hang out in Ramallah, attend its "Kasabeh" theater, or chill at one of its many western or easternstyle coffee shops, and not hear a single gun shot. But while no stones are being thrown and no guns are shot, you can feel an electrifying tension surging through the air.

As people go on living, drinking coffee, (or even drinking what an un-repenting Muslim calls "very strong coke"), as they marry, pray, love and hate, as they drive, ride, sell and buy, the air is filled with an uneasy tension. An electrical engineer like myself might sense the presence of a high voltage, a high potential, for things to become electrocuted, to explode, and to engulf life with terror and death.

This paradox of life and death is best illustrated and symbolized by the "checkpoint" experience. No Palestinian city or village can live in isolation. Most Palestinians find themselves commuting from one city to another for such reasons as economics, politics, family relations, marriages and

friendships. Palestinian life spans the few city limits throughout Palestine. Yet the Oslo fiasco has done nothing but contribute to the isolation of every city and village, turning each into an enclave of Palestinians who wish to live peacefully; surrounding each by checkpoints of "IDF" forces who wish to kill mercilessly.

As Palestinians try to go to work, to church, attend a wedding or a funeral, they experience a short (or long)-lived death encounter at each checkpoint. As they flash their color-coded I.D cards, as they pull over for more thorough security checks, as they take one cab to the checkpoint, walk across, and then take another cab, their humanity becomes irrelevant, Continued on page 11