Summarized Sworn Detainee Statement

When asked by the Tribunal President the detainee stated he understood the CSRT process and he did not have any questions.

When asked by the Tribunal President if the detainee had anything to add regarding the unclassified summary, the detainee stated, "I never moved to the front lines."

[At this point the Tribunal President clarified his previous question and asked the detainee if he wanted to make a statement under oath.] The detainee indicated that he did wish to make his statement under oath and was sworn by the Recorder. He then testified essentially as follows:

"The statement I moved to the front line and participated in the fight against the Northern Alliance is not correct."

[The Tribunal President then asked the detainee if that concluded his statement. The detainee stated that it did. The Personal Representative (PR) then informed the President that the detainee preferred to be prompted by the PR to respond to specific items in the unclassified summary. The President indicated that the PR should proceed in that manner.]

Summarized Answers in Response to Questions by the Personal Representative

[The Personal Representative read directly from the Unclassified Summary and the detainee provided the following responses:]

- Q. The detainee voluntarily traveled from Yemen to Afghanistan in September 2000.
- A. Yes.
- Q. While waiting for transportation to Afghanistan, the detainee stayed at a safe house.
- A. The placed I stayed at was referred to as an office.
- Q. The detainee attended the Al-Farouq training camp in September 2000.
- A. Yes.
- Q. At the Al-Farouq training camp, the detainee was trained on the Kalashnikov, RPK Machine gun, and the Seminov Rifle.
- A. Yes.

- Q. The detainee then trained at the Malek Military Center, where he received training on the Makarov Pistol, Dragonov Sniper Rifle, PK Machine-gun, RPGs, hand grenades, and map reading.
- A. Regarding the map reading, they only taught me to read North, South, East and West.
- Q. Following the training, the Detainee returned to Yemen, then again voluntarily traveled back to Afghanistan in August of 2001.
- A. Yes. I do not know the name of each month. I refer to them as the first month, second month, etcetera. Since I am not sure of the names, it is possible it was a different month, but I know it was the eighth month.
- Q. The detainee returned to the Al-Farouq training camp, where he received specialized training in positional shooting with AK-47s.
- A. Yes. I attended, but I don't know if it is considered specialized training. They just taught me how to walk and sit with a weapon.
- Q. The detainee participated in military operations against the coalition.
- A. Not correct.
- Q. The detainee participated in the retreat from Omar Seif Center, Afghanistan.
- A. Yes.
- Q. The detainee then fled to Karachi, Pakistan where he was captured during a raid on an apartment on September 11, 2002.
- A. Yes.
- Q. Why did you travel to Afghanistan?
- A. To train.
- Q. To fight against whom?
- A. The Chechnyans.

Summarized Answers in Response to Questions by the Tribunal Members

- Q. You went from Yemen to Afghanistan?
- A. Yes.

- Q. Can you tell me how you traveled there?
- A. I went by airplane from Yemen to Pakistan to Afghanistan.
- Q. Where in Pakistan did you stay?
- A. I went to the Dastar Taliban (office) in Ramsta.
- Q. In Afghanistan-do you remember which city?
- A. Yes. Kutah.
- Q. You knew there were Taliban in the office and you were going to train with the Taliban?
- A. There are rooms with Afghanis who just wait there until they go somewhere else.
- Q. Did anyone help you get to Pakistan and then to Afghanistan?
- A. Afghans.
- Q. Did they give you money, a plane ticket, how did they do it?
- A. No.
- Q. You used your own money to go to Afghanistan?
- A. Yes.
- Q. What do you do in Yemen?
- A. I study.
- Q. You are a student?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Do you study the Koran?
- A. I used to study nursing.
- Q. Once you got into Afghanistan, what city did you go to?
- A. Kandahar.
- Q. And then you went to training at Al-Farouq?

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- A. Yes.
- Q. Did you train with the Taliban in Al-Farouq?
- A. I trained with all of them, the Arabs, foreigners, but not the Afghanis.
- Q. Are you a member of al Qaida?
- A. I don't know. I know I am an Arab fighter.
- Q. An Arab fighter-and you went to Al-Farouq to fight knowing you were going to go to Chechnya?
- A. I went to train and go to Chechnya.
- Q. Do you remember when you were in Al-Farouq ever seeing Usama Bin Laden?
- A. No.
- Q. Do you know what al Qaida is?
- A. No, I don't know. I've seen things on television.
- Q. Are you trained as a sniper?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Did you ever fire your weapon in combat other than training?
- A. Only for training. I trained with a person.
- Q. What weapon did you use when you were a sniper?
- A. Dragonov, four years ago.
- Q. Do you remember who ran the training camp where you trained?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Who?
- A. In Al-Farouq, there were several trainers. Malek Hakeem use to train me.
- Q. After your training in Al-Farouq, why did you go back to Yemen?

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- A. I wanted to see my family. My father was sick and I wanted to finish my studies.
- Q. Did you finish your studies?
- A. When I go back, I will finish.
- Q. Then you decided to go back to Afghanistan after you saw your father, is that correct?
- A. Yes, but I don't know exactly what you mean.
- Q. Why did you go back?
- A. So I could fight the Chechnyans.
- Q. You said you didn't travel to the front line near Bagram?
- A. Yes.
- Q. But you were retreating from the Omar Seif Center?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Where were you retreating from when you were involved in that retreat?
- A. I retreated from Omar Seif to Kabul. I was not on the front lines. I retreated from the back lines.
- Q. What happened when you were captured?
- A. I was brought to Cuba.
- Q. You fled to Pakistan, true or not true?
- A. What do you mean?
- Q. You previously stated that after you retreated you went to Pakistan.
- A. Yes.
- Q. How long were you there before you were captured?
- A. Eight to ten months.
- Q. What were you doing in Pakistan?
- A. I was sitting in a house.

- Q. Were you waiting for something to happen?
- A. I was planning to go back to Yemen.
- Q. How were you captured?
- A. The Pakistanis came in and arrested me.
- Q. Who were you with when you were arrested?
- A. There were two people with me. One was (inaudible) and the other was Amir.
- Q. Were those people also brought to Guantanamo?
- A. They were arrested, but I haven't seen them.

The Tribunal President asked the Detainee if he had any other evidence to present to this Tribunal.

[The detainee stated:] I can swear to you, I am not quite sure what to say. I was not fighting, nor did I want to fight Americans. The Americans were very far from where I was fighting and I am from Yemen. The Americans did not do anything to give me a reason to fight them.

- Q. Personal Representative do you have any other evidence to present to this Tribunal?
- A. No.

[After the Personal Representative said no, and the President concluded the tribunal session, the detainee interrupted and stated:] "Osmah Embe and Humam Yahmen Ami were also trainers in the Al-Farouq training camp."

AUTHENTICATION

I certify the material contained in this transcript is a true and accurate summary of the testimony given during the proceedings.



Tribunal President