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Summarized Administrative Review Board Detainee Statement

The Presiding Officer read the Hearing Instructions to the Detainee and confirmed that he understood and had no questions.

The Assisting Military Officer presented Exhibit EC-A, the Enemy Combatant Notification Form to the Administrative Review Board.

The Assisting Military Officer presented Exhibit EC-B, the Enemy Combatant Election Form to the Administrative Review Board.

The Designated Military Officer presented Exhibit DMO-1, the Unclassified Summary of Information and Exhibit DMO-2, the FBI Redaction Certificate to the Administrative Review Board.

The Designated Military Officer gave a brief description of the contents of Exhibit DMO-1, the Unclassified Summary of Information to the Administrative Review Board.

The Designated Military Officer confirmed that he had no additional unclassified information to present.

The Presiding Officer opened the Administrative Review Board for the Detainee to present information with the assistance of the Assisting Military Officer.

Assisting Military Officer: The Detainee has some comments I gathered during the interview he would like for me to read.

Presiding Officer: Fahed Nasser Mohamed, would you like to make your statement under oath?

Detainee: I don't need the oath; I will tell the truth.

Presiding Officer: An oath is a promise to tell the truth; we've prepared a Muslim oath if you wish to use it. We do not require an oath.

Detainee: I don't need the oath.

The Assisting Military Officer then read from Exhibit EC-B, the Enemy Combatant Election Form, in which the Detainee made the following comments in response to the Unclassified Summary.

Assisting Military Officer: (on behalf of the Detainee) I never attended al-Farouq or any other training camp; I know nothing of supporting Palestinians; I never met Usama bin-Laden; He does not believe in the CSRT or the ARB processes, it is "all a film;" The USA is sure that I am innocent, [I'm] just being held for a political cause; We (ARB Members)

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are all in official uniforms, but we are all like a mafia gang; a polygraph test proved that I'm not al-Qaida, and never at a training camp.

Presiding Officer: (addressing the Detainee) Did the Assisting Military Officer's statement provide the information that you wanted us to hear?

Detainee: There is more information.

Presiding Officer: You can continue.

Detainee: Everything that this soldier (referring to the Designated Military Officer) mentioned before is not true; only some parts [are true]. That's all I have.

Presiding Officer: Which points were true?

Detainee: The first part about traveling from Saudi Arabia to Afghanistan, and then to Aljanki that was true; that's all I remember.

Presiding Officer: In a minute, we may be asking you questions.

Detainee: I don't have a problem.

Questions for the Detainee:

Designated Military Officer: Just one question about your travel that you say is true; what was your travel for?

Detainee: It doesn't have anything to do with you.

Presiding Officer: It does have to do with us.

Detainee: It doesn't have anything to do with America. If it has something to do with this issue, I don't have any problem [talking about it].

Presiding Officer: It does.

Detainee: About what?

Presiding Officer: The reason for traveling from Saudi Arabia to Afghanistan.

Detainee: I went for jihad to Afghanistan, but when I got there, I changed my mind.

Presiding Officer: Do any of the Administrative Review Board Members have questions for the Detainee?

Board Member: I do, sir; a follow-up question on what he just said. You said that you went to Afghanistan you changed your mind; what made you change your mind?

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Detainee: I saw some things that were against my religion, so I changed my mind.

Presiding Officer: What things were against your religion that caused you to change your mind?

Detainee: Things like worshipping a cemetery where people have died; that has nothing to do with our religion; worshipping graves.

Presiding Officer: Where did the fighting fit in to that religion?

Detainee: Everything goes back to the religion such as fighting jihad.

Presiding Officer: In the Unclassified Summary of Information it says that you were shot.

Detainee: Yes.

Presiding Officer: Where were you shot?

Detainee: When I was leaving Aljanki, that's when I was shot. I went to turn myself in. In the market, when they saw me they directly started shooting at me; that's the story.

Presiding Officer: But you escaped from the Aljanki castle.

Detainee: I just left early.

Presiding Officer: Where on your body were you shot?

Detainee: My arm.

Presiding Officer: OK; you're right shoulder, is that right?

Detainee: Yes.

Presiding Officer: Were you fighting then on the front lines in Konduz, or how did you end up at Mazar-e-Sharif?

Detainee: You know the answer to that question, why would you ask that?

Presiding Officer: Because I get to ask the questions.

Detainee: We weren't there to fight; we were there in prison.

Presiding Officer: How did you get to Mazar-e-Sharif?

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Detainee: We were in vehicles; trucks and buses. We were in big trucks to move from Konduz to Kandahar, we were in back. There was an agreement between the Taliban government and Konduz to return us to Kandahar. Dostum betrayed us and turned us in to the United States.

President Officer: Dostum was the commander of the Northern Alliance?

Detainee: In Mazar-e-Sharif only.

Presiding Officer: What was he doing at Konduz?

Detainee: Who?

Presiding Officer: Mr. Mohamed.

Detainee: I was sitting there. I wasn't fighting at all. I only was looking for a group of people.

Presiding Officer: And they swept you up off the street and took you to Mazar-e-Sharif?

Detainee: No, I wasn't on the street; I was in a house that had Arabs in it.

Presiding Officer: Here's the main question; were you fighting against the Northern Alliance?

Detainee: No.

Designated Military Officer: Were you guarding and watching for troops? You weren't fighting?

Detainee: No.

Presiding Officer: Mr. Mohamed, do you think you are a threat to the United States?

Detainee: My name is Fahed.

Presiding Officer: OK, Fahed, same question.

Detainee: Am I a threat?

Presiding Officer: The question is, do you consider yourself a threat to the United States or its allies?

Detainee: I don't consider myself a threat; how could I be a threat at all?

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Presiding Officer: Is there any other relevant information you would like us to consider?

Detainee: I don't have any [other] information; I've said everything.

Designated Military Officer: Who traded you to the Americans?

Detainee: Dostum.

Designated Military Officer: Do you know why?

Detainee: For money.

Designated Military Officer: Why would he sell prisoners?

Detainee: The Americans kidnapped us and changed Dostum's mind for no reason.

Designated Military Officer: Do you have a scar on your right arm? Can you show it?

Detainee: Yes (the Assisting Military Officer motioned that the Detainee would be unable to show the wound).

Designated Military Officer: (addressing the Presiding Officer) That's it, sir.

Presiding Officer: Are there any other questions (looking in both directions of the Board Members)?

There was a negative response.

The Designated Military Officer and the Assigned Military Officer had no other information to present to this Administrative Review Board.

The Presiding Officer began reading the post-Administrative Board instructions to the Detainee.

The open session of the Administrative Review Board was adjourned.

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AUTHENTICATION

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


Colonel, USA
Presiding Officer

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