

Affidavit of Abdullah Ahmed Mohammed Al Razehi

Comes now, Abdullah Ahmed Mohammed Al Razehi, under oath, and makes the following statement in Sana'a, Yemen:

I am the brother of Ali Ahmed Mohammed Al Razehi who is in Guantanamo Bay. I finished university this year, where I studied business administration. I currently work with my father while I am looking for other employment.

My father is 65 years old, and sells grocery items from a trolley and he is responsible for the finances of the whole family. My mother died after my brother was arrested, and we had to tell him in a letter that she had passed away.

We have three girls and three boys in the family.

My brother was born in 1979. He completed his high schooling. He loved to read, and loved teaching children to read. He also loved to run.

Everyone in our area loved him because he had such a good sense of humor. He used to make fun of the accents of Aden people in a particularly amusing way. He also had a very beautiful and polite manner.

My brother was religious to the extent that he used to teach children how to read the Koran. He was more pious than me.

My brother left home to go for the military draft. He disappeared the same year he graduated from school.

We learned that my brother was in Guantanamo Bay from the newspaper. Then about six months later we received a letter from him through the Red Cross. He apologized to his father in letters that he left the country. He asked the family to pray for



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him. He also said that one of his friends in Guantanamo Bay was so sick that he asked the family to pray for him as well.

This has been very hard on the family. We would not tell our mother that he was in prison, because she was sick. She died not knowing where her son was. My father is very upset about his son's situation, and prays for him all the time.

I do not believe that my brother would have done anything criminal or violent. He was not gone for very long, and would not have changed that much. He could never harm anyone. His religion forbids him to harm or kill anyone and he took that very seriously.

I know that my brother would want me to take whatever steps I could on his behalf and I wish to act as his next friend in court.

Signed this 10th day of April, 2004.


Abdullah Ahmed Mohammed Al Razehi

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