

## 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 Presiding Officer confirms with the Detainee that he speaks and understands English well and therefore does not require a linguist.*

*The Assisting Military Officer presented Exhibit EC-A, the Enemy Combatant Notification Form to the Administrative Review Board. The AMO then 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 Evidence to the Administrative Review Board and Exhibit DMO-2, the FBI Redaction Certification.*

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

*The Designated Military Officer stated that he had no further unclassified information to present to the Administrative Review Board and requested a closed session to present classified information relevant to the disposition of the Detainee.*

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

Presiding Officer: The Detainee may now present information to the Administrative Review Board. Assisting Military Officer, does the Detainee want to present any information to this Administrative Review Board including written statements, oral statements, or witness statements prepared on his behalf?

Assisting Military Officer: Yes, sir. The Detainee would like to take the opportunity to make an oral statement using his notes [which] he has prepared himself to do that. In addition, I would like to brief you on the notes that I took during the reading of the unclassified summary to the Detainee during the enemy combatant election form initial briefing. In summary, the Detainee was read the unclassified summary and he also read it himself [because] he speaks and reads English. The Detainee simply informed me that he had spoken to lawyer at that time and that his lawyer had ordered him not to answer any questions regarding this hearing and the statements that were read to him at that time, however, he has prepared himself now and is ready to answer and present his case. That is all I have to report.

*The Presiding Officer asks the Detainee if he wishes to make a statement and if so will he take the Muslim oath. The Detainee declines taking the Muslim oath.*

Presiding Officer: You may now begin your statement.

Detainee: Thank you for the opportunity you have given me to address you. Obviously, I would like to have my attorney here to help me put my case but since he is not allowed to be here; he has allowed me to say the following: My dream is to return to England and complete my education, to get a good job, to get married and raise a family. I am not a threat to the United States, Great Britain or anyone. I have been incarcerated for almost three years and I have had a great deal of time to think. I was young back then and now I have matured as I obviously

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(inaudible) by my record at the institution here. I do not feel that I have always been treated well by U. S. forces but I hold no grudge. I understand why some people over reacted towards prisoners in Pakistan and later in Afghanistan because America had suffered a great and inexcusable tragedy on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001. It is my belief that the overwhelming majority of Americans are kind and decent people and the slaughter of innocent people in New York and Washington was a terrible wrong. Islam properly understood cannot condone the killing of innocent people. Personally, I prefer to settle disputes with peaceful means and as such I kindly request you to allow me to return to my family and my life back in England. Thank you.

Presiding Officer: Anthony Kiyemba, does that conclude your statement?

Detainee: Yes it does.

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

Detainee: Yes, it did.

Presiding Officer: Assisting Military Officer, do you have any questions for the Detainee?

Assisting Military Officer: No, I do not sir.

Presiding Officer: Designated Military Officer, do you have any questions for the Detainee?

Designated Military Officer: Mr. Kiyemba, are you going to follow your attorney's advice and not answer questions?

Detainee: Yes, I will.

*The Board Members conclude that the Detainee will not answer questions from either the Designated Military Officer or the Board Members.*

*The Presiding Officer reads the post-Administrative Board instructions to the Detainee and adjourns the open session of the Board.*

#### AUTHENTICATION

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



Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps  
Presiding Officer

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