

Summarized Unsworn Detainee Statement

I do not accept the accusations.

When the Detainee made no further comments, the Personal Representative read each bullet of the Unclassified Summary and the Detainee had the following responses.

- **3(a)(1) The Detainee traveled to Kabul, Afghanistan from Kazakhstan in September, 2000.**

I forgot. It's been 2 ½ years. I don't remember which month.

- **3(a)(2) Detainee's travel route took him through Karachi, Islamabad and Peshawar, Pakistan and through Kandahar, Afghanistan.**

That's right.

- **3(a)(3) The Detainee has family ties to known terrorists in Pakistan.**

What kind of ties?

The Personal Representative rephrased the question. Is anyone related to you a terrorist in Pakistan?

I have no relatives in Pakistan. How can...?

- **3(a)(4) One of Detainee's "family ties" is a member of a terrorist group responsible for attacks in Uzbekistan.**

None of my family members have ties with the terrorist group in Uzbekistan.

- **3(a)(5) The Detainee resided in Taliban provided housing and worked as a cook in a Taliban camp.**

I told you last time. I wasn't a cook, I just grew the vegetables. I don't even know how to cook. My mother was cooking for me all of the time.

- **3(a)(6) The Detainee was captured in December 2001 at his house in Kabul.**

Yes, that's right it was 2001, but I don't remember the month. It was the middle of Ramadan in 2001.

Questions by the Personal Representative

Q: Can you tell us who you traveled to Afghanistan with?

A: There were 10 people, my grandmother, sisters and brothers.

Questions by the Tribunal Members

Q: Good morning.

A: Thank God.

Q: We don't know much information about you. The only information we have about you is from the Unclassified Summary and what you have told us today. We have a few questions so we can figure out your story. Are you a citizen of Kazakhstan?

A: Yes.

Q: Can you tell us why you went from Kazakhstan to Afghanistan with your family?

A: In Kazakhstan there are no jobs. It's hard to make money.

Q: You and your entire family went to Afghanistan to look for work?

A: We heard that any immigrants to Afghanistan from other countries are provided with food.

Q: Was that true? When you went to Afghanistan, did they provide you with food and a place to live?

A: Yes, they provided.

Q: How did you know how to get from Kazakhstan all the way to Afghanistan?

A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*

Q: It was a very long journey. How did you know how to do it?

A: There was no money. A guy named Jacob who knows the route. I went with Jacob.

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- Q: Do you remember how long it took you to get from Kazakhstan to Kabul?
- A: Approximately 2-3 days.
- Q: How did you get there [Kabul]. By plane, car?
- A: We went by plane from Kazakhstan to Karachi, Pakistan and then by bus from Karachi to Kabul.
- Q: So, you were in a house in Kabul and the only thing you did was grow vegetables. Did you do anything else?
- A: I looked on the house. Nothing else.
- Q: All of your family members lived in the same house?
- A: The rest of them were in the house. Jacob was working in the kitchen as a cook. The rest just stayed in the house.
- Q: You and your family didn't have to pay for any food or housing costs?
- A: We don't pay anything. All of the food and stuff is free. Jacob gets paid money from them [Afghanistan government].
- Q: Did they [Afghanistan government] ask anything from you in return?
- A: No.
- Q: The government in Afghanistan didn't require any service from you?
- A: No.
- Q: You lived in Kabul for a year or so? Maybe a little longer?
- A: Approximately a year.
- Q: You found the situation in Afghanistan better than your home country of Kazakhstan?
- A: It was not a hard life. They bring everything, like food, to us. I helped with the back yard.

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- Q: When did you first realize that Afghanistan was in the middle of a civil war?
- A: Please repeat the question.
- Q: At some point did you realize that the country was at civil war?
- A: When you traveled on the road, you can see the broken houses and tanks and realize there is a war going on.
- Q: Was the place where you and your family lived ever in any danger of the civil war?
- A: No. The houses are safe.
- Q: Did anybody from the Taliban ever approach you and ask you to assist them?
- A: No.
- Q: Did they approach any members of your family?
- A: No. Most of my family is just kids and a woman.
- Q: It seems most unusual that the government would be so generous to you and your family, but not ask anything of you in return. Can you explain this for us?
- A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*
- Q: What can you tell us about the other accusations you said were false? When it says you have "family ties" to known terrorists in Pakistan and Uzbekistan, what is the government talking about when it says these things?
- A: You mean how the Taliban government...how they feel about the terrorist groups in Pakistan and Uzbekistan, right?
- Q: No. What does the United States government mean when it says you have "family ties" to terrorists?
- A: They are just blaming me. It's false.
- Q: Do you think this is about someone else in your family?
- A: We came to Afghanistan because we are all Muslim. They provide all the food and housing because of the Muslim religion.

Q: We're trying to figure out why you're here. The United States wouldn't detain someone for more than 2 years for simply growing vegetables. Can you help us understand?

A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*

Q: Do you want to tell us why you think you're here?

A: I'm here because I went to Afghanistan with my family for a better life. They captured me at that house. That's the reason I'm here.

Q: Who captured you in Kabul?

A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*

Q: Was it Americans?

A: The Afghan people captured me. When I was in prison, I heard Massoud's people captured me.

Q: When you were captured, were members of your family in the house also?

A: There were 3 people in the house. Abdul was in that house too?

Q: Jacob too?

A: Yes.

Q: Was there any resistance to the arrest?

A: I don't know; they just captured me at my house.

Q: You had nothing to defend yourself with?

A: There is nothing.

Q: Do you have any idea where the rest of your family is?

A: God knows.

Q: Did you ever have the opportunity to have any type of training while in Afghanistan?

A: For what reason?

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Q: To do something other than growing vegetables, maybe help the government.

A: I can't do anything except grow vegetables.

Q: Did anyone ask you if you wanted to do something else?

A: No.

Q: What kind of vegetables did you grow?

A: Green peppers, tomatoes, green beans and some potatoes.

Questions by the Tribunal President

Q: Was your garden large or confined to a small yard?

A: It was only for my family.

Q: The house you stayed in, did it house just your immediate family members or were other people living in this house?

A: No, just my family members.

Q: Yet, when you were captured, other people were with you, other than your family. Right?

A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*

Q: You said earlier other people were arrested with you at your house.

A: I told you there were 3 people arrested in the house.

Q: You were with 3 people when you were arrested?

A: Yes.

Q: What work did these people do to earn a living?

A: They just ate whatever God provided.

Q: They too were living off the good graces of the Taliban government in Afghanistan?

A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*

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- Q: Do you know if the others received military training while in Afghanistan?
- A: Jacob was a cook for the back-up forces. Abdullah came from Pakistan, studying Islamic studies and came from Pakistan to Kabul.
- Q: Do you know if they received military training from the Taliban?
- A: I don't know.
- Q: Did you receive military training from the Taliban or Al Qaeda while you were in Afghanistan?
- A: No.
- Q: In your vegetable garden, did you also grow poppies?
- A: I do not know what a poppy is.
- Q: Flowers.
- A: Like a kind of drug?
- Q: Yes, opium.
- A: No, what I am going to do growing this?
- Q: It's pretty popular in Afghanistan, and it's a pretty good cash crop from what I understand. So, your garden was for your family's use only? You didn't provide those vegetables to anyone else?
- A: The ground is not good. Vegetables don't grow well.

Questions by the Tribunal Members

- Q: You were not able to sell any vegetables to make any money for yourself?
- A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*
- Q: It seems unusual to us that you would be in Afghanistan for over a year, but have no money yourself and have no source of income. Can you explain this for us, please?
- A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*

- Q: If you were released from Guantanamo Bay, where would you like to go?
- A: Mecca, it's a holy place. I know they are [Saudi Arabia is] a Muslim country.
- Q: I don't have any more questions, but I'll give you one more chance to say anything you might want to say to help us understand why many of these things don't seem to make sense.
- A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*
- Q: Is there anything else you can tell us to help us understand why you're here?
- A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*
- Q: At your house, did you have neighbors?
- A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*
- Q: Was there anyone close by?
- A: It's a community and there are other houses around.
- Q: They all grew vegetables?
- A: I don't know.
- Q: Did Jacob get vegetables from you?
- A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*
- Q: He was a cook; he needed vegetables.
- A: *The Detainee did not respond.*
- Q: No answer?
- A: Sir, I told you the ground is really bad and it doesn't really grow anything. It doesn't really grow vegetables.

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Questions by the Tribunal President

Q: Do you have any other information that you would like to present to this Tribunal today?

A: *The Detainee did not respond to the question.*

AUTHENTICATION

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



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