

**Summarized Sworn Detainee Statement**

*The Tribunal President read the Hearing Instructions to the Detainee.*

Tribunal President: Ghassan, Abdallah Ghazi Al Shirbi do you understand this process?

Detainee: I understand. Give me what you have.

Tribunal President: Do you have any questions concerning the tribunal process?

Detainee: No.

*The Personal Representative presented the Detainee Election Form (Exhibit D-A) to the Tribunal.*

*The Recorder presented the Unclassified Summary of Evidence (Exhibit R-1) to the Tribunal.*

*The Recorder confirmed that he had no further unclassified evidence or witnesses and requested a closed Tribunal session to present classified evidence.*

*The Tribunal President opened the Tribunal to the Detainee to make his statement and asked if he would like to make his statement under oath*

*The Recorder administered the Muslim oath to the Detainee.*

Tribunal President: Recorder please summarize the nature of the evidence.

Recorder:

- 3.a. *The detainee is associated with al Qaida:*
  - 3.1. *The detainee was born in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia*
  - 3.2. *In August of 2001 the detainee traveled from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia to Faisalabad, Pakistan via Dubai, United Arab Emirates and Karachi, Pakistan.*
  - 3.3. *The detainee lived in a safe house with senior al Qaida operative in Pakistan until the time of the detainee's capture.*
  - 3.4. *The detainee was captured by Pakistani forces in a March 2002 raid of the safe house in Faisalabad, Pakistan.*
  - 3.5. *Abu Zubaydah is a senior Al-Qaida lieutenant.*
  - 3.6. *The detainee taught English to other guest at the safe house in Faisalabad, Pakistan.*
  - 3.7. *The detainee received specialized training on remote control devices for use in explosives to detonate bombs against Afghani and United States forces.*
  - 3.8. *The detainee received military training, including Basic Weapons (use, operation, and assembly/disassembly of assault rifles, UZI, Khalishnikov, Seminovs, M-16 and RPGs), Basic Warfare Tactics (tactical movement, concealment and mine avoidance) and*

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*navigation (navigation using compass, watch, stick in the ground against sunlight method and celestial methods) at a terrorist training camp in Afghanistan.*

*3.9. Usama Bin Laden visited a Terrorist training camp in Afghanistan about ten times while the detainee was receiving training at that camp.*

*3.10. The detainee was observed chatting and laughing like pals with Usama bin Laden during Bin Laden's visit to that particular terrorist training camp.*

*3.11. The detainee pressured another man to swear bayat to Usama Bin Laden during a face-to-face meeting at that particular terrorist training camp.*

*3.12. The detainee admittedly supports the jihad and Chechens in the fight against the Russians.*

*3.13. The detainee wanted to be a mujihadeen freedom fighter.*

*3.14. In December 2001, the detainee was one of approximately 100 mujahideen near Birmal, Afghanistan.*

*3.15. The detainee is called the "electronic builder" by GTMO detainees, and is known as "Abu Zubaydah's right hand man".*

Tribunal President: Does the Recorder have any witnesses to present?

Recorded: No Ma'am

Tribunal President: Does the Recorder have any further evidence?

Recorder: Ma'am President, I have no further unclassified information for the tribunal but request a closed tribunal session at an appropriate time to present classified information relevant to this detainee's status as an enemy combatant.

Tribunal President: Recorder, you will be allowed that opportunity at a later time.

Tribunal President: I see, by the detainee election form, that you have elected to participate today as evidence of your being here. Ghassan Abdallah Ghazi Al Shirbi, you may now present any evidence that you have to the tribunal and you have the assistance of your personal representative in doing so. Do you wish to present information to this tribunal and would you like to make your statement under oath?

Detainee: I have something short to say and I will say it.

Tribunal President: Do you wish to do that under oath or not?

Detainee: For sure, I will take an oath.

Tribunal President: Recorder would you please administer the oath.

Recorder: Please repeat.

Detainee: I have my own oath, I will say it myself.

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Tribunal President: OK

Detainee: I swear to almighty god there is no god but him, that I will not only say the truth but fight for the truth, and I will be an enemy fighter to whoever is against the truth and god be my witness.

Tribunal President: You may begin.

Detainee: Honestly I did not come here to defend myself, but defend the Islamic nation, this is my duty and I have to do it. This is an important issue, more important like I said, you gathered here to look at what you have written and you will come up with a classification if this is an enemy combatant or not. If they come up with the classification enemy combatant, it is my honor to have this classification in this world until the end, until eternity, god be my witness. You have given me fifteen accusations and I said to myself in my prison let's take all the accusations.

Translator: Sorry, let him repeat so I can translate.

Detainee: I said to myself in my prison, let's take all the accusations in context on you, like you did. So I found the accusation against you to be many. I will try to count those accusations but they were many so honestly I did not count. It starts from being the infidel against god and it's profits and you being against Jesus Christ and making him a god and the son of god and he is a prophet that was sent like Moses, Abraham, and Mohammad and making him ware (ph.). You left your religion or the faith of god and the only thing what was known was Sunday. Well some of you, not all of you, know god only on Sunday and some don't know god at all. You adopted this religion you call democracy and based on this religion being the head of capitalism. I speak but I also speak English very well, but it is a custom that people like her (the translator) between me and you (tribunal) that carry my color but they are from you, so let them in between us so I will say capitalism upon you.

Translator: I am sorry one word I do not understand does not come up to my mind.

Tribunal President: That is OK

Detainee: Capitalism is a revolution and the money is in few people's hands. Ninety percent of the money in the world is in the hands of ten percent of the people thanks to capitalism. You are reaching social, reaching even in your country a father cannot forbid his son to sleep with another man or have sexual relationship with another man under the name of human rights. There is a lot of other examples, your support of those governments in other countries and is known to be supported by weapons by you and financial support and moral support and your support for Israel upon land that is broken promises and promised land.

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Translator: I sorry, I am having some problems understanding some words.

Detainee: The torah (ph.) has been changed and you came with something that is no more than a hundred years old and you support it. And supporting Saddam Hussein and so on, and killing one million Iraqi children and accusing Saddam Hussein and you forgot you are the one who made him up when you were scared of the Iran revolution and it does not end. Your culture chose to review the enemy combatant status. Your status as enemy combatants does not need a court. For your culture, the enemy combatant is Muslims Islam. Enemies yes, combatants no, you only wear the uniforms of what you call a coalition forces what I call traitors. I do not have anything to add and I do not want to say anything more then this and I do not want to hear more than this

Tribunal President: So that concludes your statement?

***The Tribunal President confirmed that the Personal Representative had no further evidence to present and that the Detainee no previously approved witnesses to present to the Tribunal and closed the open session.***

Detainee: [Starts to chant]

Tribunal President: Ghassan Abdallah Ghazi Al Shirbi shall be notified of the tribunal decision upon completion of the review of these proceedings by the convening authority in Washington D.C. If the tribunal does not decide that you are classified an enemy combatant you will be released to your own country as soon as arrangements can be made. We have other information to give you. Would you like to listen to it? If not, this will end our open session.

Detainee: [Still chanting]

***The Tribunal President explained the remainder of the Tribunal process to the Detainee and adjourned the open session.***

Tribunal President: We are going to reopen the unclassified session to allow the translator to translate of what the detainee was chanting as we adjourned and dismissed him from the room.

Translator: He said, "May god help me fight the infidels or the unfaithful ones".

Tribunal President: I appreciate that and of course we had the guards remove the detainee from the room. So at this point it concludes the open session of this tribunal.

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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.



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