

Summarized Unsworn Detainee Statement

Detainee referred to Unclassified Summary R-1 to address specific points in the document.

I don't consider myself a member of the Taliban. I left England with the intention of finding a way to fight jihad. That wasn't the sole purpose of my trip. I was also migrating from England to the Islamic country of Pakistan.

Jihad was not my sole purpose for leaving England, but if it was necessary, "inaudible".

The Unclassified Summary says that I would hurt the guards. I have no record of saying that. It would be my duty to defend myself if they were trying to hurt me.

I don't consider myself a terrorist. I have no intention of hurting innocent people.

The Unclassified Summary says that if I had a way of fighting jihad in the future I would do so. I see participation in jihad as a duty of every Muslim who is capable of doing so. I can't say if there will be jihad in the future or that no one has to fight jihad.

I have never been to Afghanistan and have never considered myself a member of the Taliban or Al Qaida. I was only heading to Afghanistan to defend the Muslims who were being killed.

Summarized Answers to Questions by Tribunal Members

When I traveled from England to Iran and then to Pakistan, I funded my travel with money I had earned while working.

When I left England, I didn't know where in Pakistan I was going to go.

When I arrived in Pakistan, I received training on the Kalashnikov from a Pakistani person. I was at a house and told them that I was new and I had no training on the Kalashnikov, so they had someone show me how to use it.

I do not know anything else about the person who trained me, except that he knew how to use a Kalashnikov.

It is a duty in my religion to participate in jihad. The definition of jihad is very complicated. Jihad is a struggle within your soul and between yourself to do what is right. Any struggle in you to do what is right can be considered a jihad.

Jihad is not limited to military action.

When I was going to Afghanistan, it was to assist the Muslims who were being killed. There were many conflicts. I do not know if they were the Muslims who were being killed by the Taliban, Northern Alliance, or the Americans.

I have no intention of hurting innocent people. Non-Muslim people present in Afghanistan could be innocent.

It is fair to consider me a muhajedeen Warrior. We fight against oppression. I believe there were innocent people being wronged.

At the time I made my decision to go, I can't be sure who was doing the oppressing of the innocent people. There were ashes everywhere. You couldn't tell the difference between a tree, a dog or a human.

If I had been able to get to Afghanistan I would help the village and the people and try to stay safe.

I was not Muslim from birth. I converted as an adult. I heard about Islam from someone I used to study with. He gave me a copy of the Koran and I believe the message of Islam is true and you can find the truth in other religions such as Judaism and Christianity.

To say that as a warrior, it is legitimate to fight against enemies of Islamic states, is a broad statement. It is not necessary whenever there is an enemy, only when it is necessary.

I can't generalize the United States or the United States Government as an enemy of Islamic States, because the government is divided into groups. Some people make decisions, some gather information. I can't be specific on the United States as a whole group. I can't say the whole group is an enemy.

Anyone who knowingly kills any innocent person, even a non-Muslim person, is wrong.

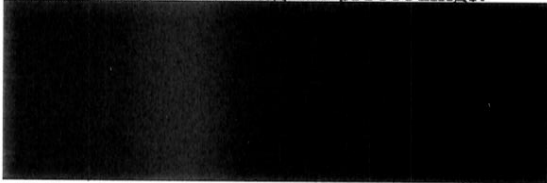
I have never been to Afghanistan. I was attempting to get there. I was arrested in Pakistan around March 2002. I attempted to go to Afghanistan in December 2001. This was the perfect time for me to fight jihad because I was already preparing to migrate to Afghanistan. When I saw people were attacking the innocents and they were being killed, I had to be there and help save the lives of innocent people.

I never considered waging jihad in Pakistan or Kashmir.

I was in England when I converted to Muslim. The people I worshiped with did not encourage me to go to Afghanistan to participate in jihad. My desire to travel there was in response to aggression against innocent people and I was trying to stop innocent people from being hurt in the process.

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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