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Summarized Sworn Detainee Statement

When asked by the Tribunal President the detainee stated he understood the CSRT process and he did not have any questions.

When asked by the Tribunal President if he wanted to make a statement the detainee stated yes and provided his statement after electing to be sworn. The detainee testifies essentially as follows:

In the name of Allah the merciful, I will tell the truth. What I have already said to the interrogator was the truth. I am an innocent man. I have not committed any crimes and should not be here. I have never been in trouble nor have I ever been a member of any organization. These organizations are against my religion. By nature, I don't like Moses and problems. For this reason, I live in a remote village away from the city. If I wanted to be a combatant and participate in these activities I would have done that in my own country. For the last fifteen years, I have not any problems with anyone in my village. Anyone in my village can verify that. I am forty-five and I am not going to do anything foolish. If I were going to do these things, I would have done them when I was younger. I am a Muslim. Islam is against all terrorism, violence and problems between people.

[The Personal Representative (PR) asked the Detainee if he wanted to talk about the specifics that they originally talked about:] The Detainee said, "yes."

Paragraph 3.1. [The Detainee voluntarily traveled from Mauritania, Africa to Islamabad, Pakistan in 1987 to work for the Islamic Relief Organization (IRO).] [PR from his notes stated:] The detainee did not go directly to Pakistan. He went from Mauritania to Saudi Arabia and then to Pakistan in 1987 to work for the IRO. The Detainee had told me his original plan was to stay in Saudi Arabia and study, but he could not get residency status. Before leaving, the Detainee went to the IRO and had a job in Pakistan but not in Saudi Arabia. The Detainee met his future wife and got married. He never worked or associated with a terrorist organization.

A. That is true.

Q. Is there anything else you want to add?

A. That is true.

Paragraph 3.2. [The Detainee received weapons training on the Kalashnikov rifle while working for the IRO. The training took place near the boarder town of Peshawar, Pakistan.] [PR from his notes stated:] The Detainee said it was normal for everyone to receive training because there was no security. People walked the streets carrying rifles for protection.

A. That is true.

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Paragraph 3.4. [The Detainee worked for the IRO in their Orphan's Department (which included a school) until 1990, when the school closed.] [PR from his notes stated:] The Detainee confirmed he supervised kids and was the administrator and a purchaser for the school. He worked for the school from late 1987 to 1990.

A. That is true.

Paragraph 3.5. [Between 1991 and 2001, the Detainee traveled back and forth between Algeria, Pakistan, Yemen, and Pakistan. He worked various jobs during this time.] [PR from his notes stated:] In 1991, the Detainee traveled once to Algeria from Pakistan. He went to Yemen in 1995, to study. He stayed for two years before leaving in 1997. He left Pakistan because it was hostile toward Arabs, and he didn't need a Visa to stay in Yemen. After leaving Pakistan in 1997, the Detainee worked various jobs as a welder, and sold honey. After returning to Pakistan he went to the United Nations Office for assistance, but they were unable to help him. Because of the turmoil in Algeria, the Detainee was trying to get refugee status in any peaceful Arabic country.

A. That is true.

[PR to Detainee:] Do you have anything else you would like to add?

A. Regarding the first point related to (inaudible). I received word the situation in Algeria had improved. After learning organized parties had taken over the socialist regime I wanted to go back to my country to live. I told my wife I would go and check out the situation. If things were peaceful, I would come back for her. I went to Algeria and found that things had improved. I got a job with the Al-Wafa organization so I could save money and take my wife and children back to Algeria. While traveling to get my family, I received word that the situation in Algeria had worsened and I shouldn't return. Things were bad in Algeria until the end of the 1990s. Innocent women and children were killed.

Paragraph 3.6. [The Detainee worked for the Al-Wafa organization in Jalalabad, Pakistan from June through August 2001. In September 2001 the Al-Wafa Organization closed.] [PR from his notes stated:] The Detainee worked for the Al-Wafa in Kandahar, Pakistan not Jalalabad. [A Tribunal member stated:] Kandahar is not in Pakistan. [The Detainee stated:] I worked in Kandahar not Jalalabad. . [A Tribunal member stated:] In Afghanistan? [The Detainee stated:] Yes, in Afghanistan. [PR from his notes continued:] He worked from June until September 2001 digging wells, fixing buildings and remodeling mosks. [The Detainee stated:] He didn't work on houses, just mosks. [PR from his notes continued:] He never suspected Al-Wafa was a terrorist organization because they had blankets, medicine, hospitals, and equipment to repair roads.

A. True.

Paragraph 3.7. [The Detainee was arrested at his home in Peshawar, Pakistan by the Pakistani police on 25 May, 2002.] [PR from his notes stated:] The Detainee believes he

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was arrested later in May, possibly the on the 28th. The Pakistani police and the Americans confiscated his audiotapes and books but found nothing to connect him with any terrorist activities.

A. True, they didn't find anything related to terrorism.

[PR to Detainee:] Do you have anything else you would like to add?

I ask the Tribunal to be fair and just. I know their goal is to defend innocent people everywhere. I am innocent and I ask they take that into consideration.

Summarized Answers in Response to Questions by the Tribunal Members

Q. When you were in Kandahar, did you work for Al-Wafa?

A. Yes.

Q. When were you in Kandahar?

A. From the end of June until the beginning of September 2001.

Q. Prior to being in Kandahar, you were in Peshawar, Pakistan?

A. I was in Peshawar and I had a little shop in Jalalabad.

Q. You were working for Al-Wafa in Peshawar and Jalalabad?

A. No.

Q. When did you get a job with Al-Wafa?

A. In June.

Q. You decided to travel to Kandahar to work for Al-Wafa? Or did you go to Kandahar first before getting a job?

A. In Jalalabad, I was told there was a Saudi organization that was looking for employees. The Arabs in Afghanistan didn't want to work for Al-Wafa because they considered it working for (inaudible) Saudi government. I was proud to be working for a humanitarian organization.

Q. When you were in Kandahar building mosks for Al-Wafa, were you a manager? A laborer? Did you ever handle or see money? What did you do?

A. Because I spoke Pashtu, I was in charge of buying supplies. (Inaudible) his name was Mustafa.

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Q. When you were in Kandahar, did you ever give any supplies (food, medicine) to any Arab or Taliban fighters?

A. No.

Q. When did you work for the Islamic Relief Organization (IRO)?

A. Before Al-Wafa?

Q. Yes, I believe it was before Al-Wafa? It says 1987.

A. Yes, in 1987.

Q. Was that the only time?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you know what Al-Wafa's purpose is?

A. I was told they were a Humanitarian International Organization with offices all over the world and they help the poor.

Q. Do you know what the Islamic Relief Organization is?

A. The IRO is a Saudi organization that helps orphans in Afghanistan and the poor.

Q. The only time you were in Afghanistan was in June through September 2001?

A. That was when I was in Kandahar, but before that I was in Jalalabad.

Q. Why do you think you were arrested?

A. From what I understand, the Pakistani Intelligence was under pressure from the Americans to deliver al Qaida operatives and other terrorists. The Pakistani Intelligence arrested people (some were poor and innocent) so they could show the Americans they were working with them. The Pakistani officer that arrested me said I had nothing to worry about. I would be released shortly since they were looking specifically for al-Qaida members.

Q. Have you ever worked for al Qaida or supported them in anyway?

A. No. I would rather starve than work for that organization. They try to control you and do things against your religion.

Q. You stopped working for Al-Wafa in September 2001

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A. True.

Q. What did you do between September and May, when you were arrested?

A. I worked in a village and sold honey (inaudible).

Q. Where was that at?

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Q. Where is that at?

A. Pakistan.

The Tribunal President asked the Detainee if he had any other evidence to present to this Tribunal.

[The detainee stated:] There are a lot of people here in prison. If you take my picture and show them, they will verify I wasn't a member of al Qaida. The Pakistani Intelligence Committee has information on communities of other foreign countries. I defy anyone who tells me I was part of any organization. Even though I am in prison and I have suffered, I am not angry. I am happy to be here with my god. I have a clear conscience. Please be fair and don't forget I have a family that I haven't seen in a long time. While I have been away, there no one has been providing for my family. When you make your decision, please be fair and take my family into consideration.

Q. Personal Representative do you have any other evidence to present to this Tribunal?

A. No.

AUTHENTICATION

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

[Redacted Signature]

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