# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

SALEM ABDUL SALEM GHEREBY, et al.	) ) )
Petitioners,	) )
v.	Civil Action No. 04-CV-1164 (D.D.C.)
GEORGE W. BUSH,  President of the United States, et al.,  Respondents.	) ) ) )

## **DECLARATION OF JAMES R. CRISFIELD JR.**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Commander James R. Crisfield Jr., Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Navy, hereby state that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the following is true, accurate and correct:

- 1. I am the Legal Advisor to the Combatant Status Review Tribunals. In that capacity I am the principal legal advisor to the Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals, and provide advice to Tribunals on legal, evidentiary, procedural, and other matters. I also review the record of proceedings in each Tribunal for legal sufficiency in accordance with standards prescribed in the Combatant Status Review Tribunal establishment order and implementing directive.
- 2. I hereby certify that the documents attached hereto constitute a true and accurate copy of the portions of the record of proceedings before the Combatant Status Review Tribunal related to petitioner Salem Abdul Salem Ghereby that are suitable for public release. The portions of the record that are classified or considered law enforcement sensitive are not attached

hereto. I have redacted any information that would personally identify certain U.S. Government personnel in order to protect the personal security of those individuals. I have also redacted internee serial numbers because certain combinations of internee serial numbers with other information become classified under applicable classification guidance. Finally, I have redacted three classified document titles that were inadvertently listed on the "Recorder Exhibit List."

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 600+04

James R. Cristield Jr.



# Department of Defense Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

3 October 2004

## FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

From: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunal

Subj: REVIEW OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL FOR

DETAINEE ISN#

Ref:

(a) Deputy Secretary of Defense Order of 7 July 2004

(b) Secretary of the Navy Order of 29 July 2004

1. I concur in the decision of the Combatant Status Review Tribunal that Detainee ISN # meets the criteria for designation as an Enemy Combatant, in accordance with references (a) and (b).

2. This case is now considered final, and the detainee will be scheduled for an Administrative Review Board.

J. M. McGARRAH RADM, CEC, USN

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

From: Legal Advisor

To: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunal

Subj: LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL FOR DETAINEE ISN #

Ref: (a) Deputy Secretary of Defense Order of 7 July 2004

(b) Secretary of the Navy Implementation Directive of 29 July 2004

Encl: (1) Appointing Order for Tribunal #6 of 13 September 2004

(2) Record of Tribunal Proceedings

- 1. A legal sufficiency review has been completed on the subject Combatant Status Review Tribunal in accordance with references (a) and (b). After reviewing the record of the Tribunal, I find that:
  - a. The detainee was properly notified of the Tribunal process and voluntarily elected not to participate in the Tribunal proceedings.
  - b. The Tribunal was properly convened and constituted by enclosure (1).
  - c. The Tribunal complied with the provisions of references (a) and (b).
  - d. The detainee made no requests for witnesses or other evidence.
  - e. The Tribunal's decision that detainee # is properly classified as an enemy combatant was unanimous.
  - f. The detainee's Personal Representative was given the opportunity to review the record of proceedings and declined to submit comments to the Tribunal.
- 2. The proceedings and decision of the Tribunal are legally sufficient and no corrective action is required.

3. I recommend that the decision of the Tribunal be approved and the case be considered final.

JAMES R. CRISSIELD JR.

CDR, JAGC, USN



# Department of Defense Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

13 Sep 04

From: Director, Combatant Status Review Tribunals

Subj: APPOINTMENT OF COMBATANT STATUS REVIEW TRIBUNAL #6

Ref: (a) Convening Authority Appointment Letter of 9 July 2004

By the authority given to me in reference (a), a Combatant Status Review Tribunal established by "Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba" dated 29 July 2004 is hereby convened. It shall hear such cases as shall be brought before it without further action of referral or otherwise.

The following commissioned officers shall serve as members of the Tribunal:

## MEMBERS:

Colonel, U.S. Army; President

Commander, JAGC, U.S. Navy; Member (JAG)

Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps;

Member

J. M. McGARRAH Rear Admiral

Civil Engineer Corps

United States Naval Reserve

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## HEADQUARTERS, OARDEC FORWARD

GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA APO AE 09360

30 September 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, CSRT

FROM: OARDEC FORWARD Commander

SUBJECT: CSRT Record of Proceedings ICO ISN#



- 1. Pursuant to Enclosure (1), paragraph (I)(5) of the *Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba* dated 29 July 2004, I am forwarding the Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report for the above mentioned ISN for review and action.
- 2. If there are any questions regarding this package, point of contact on this matter is the undersigned at DSN 660-3088.

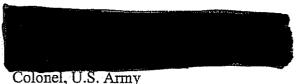
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Colonel, USAF

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## (U) Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report Cover Sheet

- (U) This Document is UNCLASSIFIED Upon Removal of Enclosures (2) and (4).
- (U) TRIBUNAL PANEL: #6
- (U) ISN#:
- Ref: (a) (U) Convening Order for Tribunal #6 of 13 September 2004 (U)
  - (b) (U) CSRT Implementation Directive of 29 July 2004 (U)
  - (c) (U) DEPSECDEF Memo of 7 July 2004 (U)
- Encl: (1) (U) Unclassified Summary of Basis For Tribunal Decision (U)
  - (2) (U) Classified Summary of Basis for Tribunal Decision (S/NF)
  - (3) (U) Copies of Documentary Evidence Presented (S/NF)
  - (4) (U) Personal Representative's Record Review (U)
- 1. (U) This Tribunal was convened by references (a) and (b) to make a determination as to whether the detainee meets the criteria to be designated as an enemy combatant as defined in reference (c).
- 2. (U) On 27 September 2004, the Tribunal determined, by a preponderance of the evidence, that Detainee # is properly designated as an enemy combatant as defined in reference (c).
- 3. (U) In particular, the Tribunal finds that this detainee is a member of, or affiliated with, Al Qaida forces, or associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners, as more fully discussed in the enclosures.
- 4. (U) Enclosure (1) provides an unclassified account of the basis for the Tribunal's decision. A detailed account of the evidence considered by the Tribunal and its findings of fact are contained in enclosures (1) and (2).



Tribunal President

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# UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF BASIS FOR TRIBUNAL DECISION

(Enclosure (1) to Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report)

TRIBUNAL PANEL:	#6
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#### 1. Introduction

As the Combatant Status Review Tribunal (CSRT) Decision Report indicates, the Tribunal has determined that this detainee is properly classified as an enemy combatant and was part of or supporting Al Qaida forces, or associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners. In reaching its conclusions, the Tribunal considered both classified and unclassified information. The following is an account of the unclassified evidence considered by the Tribunal and other pertinent information. Classified evidence considered by the Tribunal is discussed in Enclosure (2) to the CSRT Decision Report.

## 2. Synopsis of Proceedings

The Tribunal held this hearing on 27 September 2004. The Recorder presented Exhibits R-1 and R-2 during the unclassified portion of the Tribunal. The primary exhibit, the Unclassified Summary of Evidence (Exhibit R-1), indicates, among other things, that the detainee is a member of Al Qaida and was an Al Qaida operative in Kabul until he fled and was captured by Pakistani forces in November 2001. The Recorder called no witnesses.

The detainee did not to attend the Tribunal and refused to acknowledge either the Personal Representative or the Translator during their meeting prior to the Tribunal. As indicated on the Detainee Election Form (Exhibit D-A), the detainee recited verses of the Koran during the entire interview. The detainee's failure to respond to the Personal Representative's invitation to participate in the Tribunal process was treated as a declination and the Tribunal proceeded without the detainee. The Personal Representative presented no evidence and called no witnesses on behalf of the detainee.

During the classified session of the Tribunal, the Recorder presented Exhibits R-3 through R-15. The Personal Representative presented no classified evidence. Both the Recorder and the Personal Representative commented on the classified exhibits.

After the Tribunal read all of the classified exhibits, the Tribunal requested additional classified information. In response to the Tribunal's request, the Recorder offered into evidence Exhibits R-16 through R-20 after giving the Personal Representative an opportunity to review the documents. Neither the Recorder nor the Personal Representative had any comments on the documents. After considering the unclassified

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and the classified evidence, the Tribunal determined that the detainee is properly classified as an enemy combatant.

## 3. Evidence Considered by the Tribunal

The Tribunal considered the following evidence in reaching its conclusions:

- a. Exhibits: R-1 through R-20 and D-a.
- b. Testimony of the following persons: None.
- c. Statement of the detainee: None.

## 4. Rulings by the Tribunal on Detainee Requests for Evidence or Witnesses

The Detainee requested no witnesses.

The Detainee requested no additional evidence be produced.

#### 5. Discussion of Unclassified Evidence

The recorder offered Exhibits R-1 and R-2 into evidence during the unclassified portion of the proceeding. Exhibit R-1 is the Unclassified Summary of Evidence. While this summary is helpful in that it provides a broad outline of what the Tribunal can expect to see, it is not persuasive in that it provides conclusory statements without supporting unclassified evidence. Exhibit R-2, the FBI redaction certification, provided no usable evidence. Because there was no other unclassified evidence for the Tribunal to consider, the Tribunal had to look to the classified exhibits to support the assertions on the Unclassified Summary of Evidence and the Tribunal's conclusions. A discussion of the classified evidence is found in Enclosure (2) to the Combatant Status Review Tribunal Decision Report.

#### 6. Consultations with the CSRT Legal Advisor

No issues arose during the course of this hearing that required consultation with the CSRT Legal Advisor.

#### 7. Conclusions of the Tribunal

Upon careful review of all the evidence presented in this matter, the Tribunal makes the following determinations:

a. The detainee chose not to participate in the Tribunal proceeding. No evidence was produced that caused the Tribunal to question whether the detainee was mentally and

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physically capable of participating in the proceeding, had he wanted to do so. Accordingly, no medical or mental health evaluation was requested or deemed necessary.

- b. As indicated in Exhibit D-a, the detainee made a conscious decision not to acknowledge the Personal Representative's invitation to participate in the Tribunal process. Instead, he chose to recite verses of the Koran during their entire meeting. Accordingly, the Tribunal finds the detainee made a knowing, intelligent and voluntary decision not to participate in the Tribunal process.
- c. The detainee is properly classified as an enemy combatant because he was part of or supporting Al Qaida forces, or associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners.

## 8. Dissenting Tribunal Member's report

None. The Tribunal reached a unanimous decision.

Respectfully submitted,

Colonel, U.S. Army Tribunal President

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## Recorder Exhibit List

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R12	EC Checklist		SECRET//NOFORN
R13	JTF GTMO Baseball Card		SECRET//NOFORN
R14	CITF Assessment Memo 23-MAR-04		SECRET//NOFORN
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#### Combatant Status Review Board

TO: Tribunal Members

FROM: OIC, CSRT (23 September 2004)

Subject: Summary of Evidence for Combatant Status Review Tribunal - GHEREBY, Salem Abdul Salem

- 1. Under the provisions of the Secretary of the Navy Memorandum, dated 29 July 2004, Implementation of Combatant Status Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base Cuba, a Tribunal has been appointed to review the detainee's designation as an enemy combatant.
- 2. An enemy combatant has been defined as "an individual who was part of or supporting the Taliban or al Qaida forces, or associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners. This includes any person who committed a belligerent act or has directly supported hostilities in aid of enemy armed forces."
- 3. The United States Government has previously determined that the detainee is an enemy combatant. This determination is based on information possessed by the United States that indicates that he is a member of al Qaida.
  - a. Detainee is a member of al Qaida:
    - 1. The Detainee is a Libyan national who has, since 1992, traveled to numerous areas of conflict throughout the Middle East and Former USSR. He claims to have arrived in Afghanistan in 1995.
    - 2. The Detainee lost most of the fingers of his right hand in an explosives accident while in Tajikistan in 1994.
    - 3. The Detainee was an al Qaida operative in Kabul.
    - 4. One of the Detainee's aliases appeared on a list of individuals who reportedly trained at the al Qaida training camp at Jihad Wahl, Afghanistan in 1996.
    - 5. The Detainee was captured by Pakistani Forces in November 2001 after entering that country without documentation or authorization.
- 4. The detainee has the opportunity to contest his designation as an enemy combatant. The Tribunal will endeavor to arrange for the presence of any reasonably available witnesses or evidence that the detainee desires to call or introduce to prove that he is not an enemy combatant. The Tribunal President will determine the reasonable availability of evidence or witnesses.

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## Memorandum



To : Department of Defense

Date 09/14/2004

Office of Administrative Review for Detained Enemy Combatants Col. David Taylor, OIC, CSRT

From:

FBI GTMO

Counterterrorism Division

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REQUEST FOR REDACTION OF

NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION

ISN ( )

Pursuant to the Secretary of the Navy Order of 29 July 2004, Implementation of Combatant Review Tribunal Procedures for Enemy Combatants Detained at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, Cuba, Section D, paragraph 2, the FBI requests redaction of the information herein marked. The FBI makes this request on the basis that said information relates to the national security of the United States. Inappropriate dissemination of said information could damage the national security of the United States and compromise ongoing FBI investigations.

CERTIFICATION THAT REDACTED INFORMATION DOES NOT SUPPORT A DETERMINATION THAT THE DETAINEE IS NOT AN ENEMY COMBATANT

The FBI certifies the aforementioned redaction contains no information that would support a determination that the detainee is not an enemy combatant.

The following documents relative to ISN have been redacted by the FBI and provided to the OARDEC, GTMO:

FD-302 dated 05/09/2002

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Redactions are blackened out on the OARDEC provided FBI document.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>See Executive Order 12958

Memorandum from to Col. David Taylor Re: REQUEST FOR REDACTION, 09/14/2004

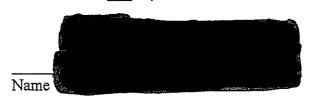
If you need additional assistance, please contact On Scene Commander or Intelligence Analyst

## Personal Representative Review of the Record of Proceedings

I acknowledge that on 28 September 2004, I was provided the opportunity to review the record of proceedings for the Combatant Status Review Tribunal involving ISN #

I have no comments.

My comments are attached.



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