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**INTEGRATED "QUESTIONS FOR DETAINEES"
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QUESTIONS FOR DETAINEES

A. Purpose of Questions:

We are attorneys for Salim Hamdan, known in Afghanistan as "Saquer", a Yemeni detainee here at Guantanamo who was captured in Afghanistan on November 24, 2001, at a roadblock on the highway between Kandahar and the Pakistan border. Mr. Hamdan has been charged by the United States Government with the crimes of (1) conspiracy with Osama bin Laden, Ayman al-Zawahiri and others in al-Qaeda to engage in terrorist acts, and (2) material support of terrorism waged by members of al-Qaeda. Mr. Hamdan denies that he is a member of al-Qaeda. Rather, he has stated that his involvement was merely one of a group of drivers who were paid wages in order to transport people and material at Mr. bin Laden's request. Mr. Hamdan denies that he was involved in any terrorist activities against the United States or its allies.

The Court that will hear Mr. Hamdan's case has granted us permission to ask you certain questions in order to determine whether Mr. Hamdan actually was a member of the al-Qaeda inner circle, or whether he was a participant in the planning or execution of any attacks waged by certain members of al-Qaeda against the United States or its allies, including the September 11, 2001, attacks in America.

The following questions and your answers will be used only by attorneys for Salim Hamdan to assist in his defense. The Military Judge in Mr. Hamdan's case has ordered that your responses to these questions shall be translated into English, but may not be communicated "to any member of the Prosecution in any manner."

The questions are designed to obtain information regarding the time period 1996 - November 24, 2001. We do not intend to ask you any questions, and we do not seek to have you provide any information, about what you have experienced after November 24, 2001.

B. Questions:

1. Prior to November 24, 2001, did you know Salim Hamdan, the person in the attached photograph [use a photograph of Hamdan shown to other detainees who have been interrogated]?

Yes

1.1 How did you come to know him?

During many of the meetings that were held among us. All reside at one place such as Afghanistan.

1.2 When did you first meet him or otherwise become aware of him?

I do not remember but years before November 2001.

1.3 What was the frequency with which you saw him during the period 1996 - November 2001?

Many.

1.4 What were the circumstances of your contact with Mr. Hamdan during the period 1996 - November 2001?

I do not understand what you mean by circumstances of my connections with brother Salim Hamdan

1.5 How familiar were you during the period 1996 - November 2001 with Mr. Hamdan's activities, particularly any assigned responsibilities he had in his association with Osama bin Laden?

Observation that can not be over looked.

1.6 Please describe everything you know about Mr. Hamdan's activities and assigned responsibilities in his association with Mr. bin Laden.

His activities were distinctly clear as he was seen driving the cars going and coming every day. His responsibilities were those related to driving such as mechanical and maintenance and repairs.

1.7 When did you last seem him prior to November 24, 2001? What were the circumstances?

I do not remember exactly.

2. Prior to November 24, 2001, did Salim Hamdan [the person in the photograph] have any involvement in the planning of attacks outside Afghanistan or other "special operations outside of Afghanistan" conducted by certain members of al-Qaeda, including the attacks on the U.S. embassies in East Africa in 1998, the attack on the USS Cole in Yemen in 2000, or the September 11, 2001, attacks in America?

Salim Hamdan was not involved in any planning for attacks against the

United States.

2.1 If you believe Mr. Hamdan had no involvement in planning such attacks, please explain the basis for that belief.

I am personally being accused in participating in these attacks according to the accusation presented to me by the American Government. As I was close to Sheikh Usama Bin Ladin I am certain that Salim Hamdan is not involved in any planning.

2.2 If you believe Mr. Hamdan had some role in planning such attacks, please explain everything you know about his role.

He did not play any role in any planning.

2.3 Were you in a position to know? If so, please explain why you were in a position to know.

Yes – (refer to my answer to 2.1).

3. Did Salim Hamdan [the person in the photograph] have any involvement in the execution of attacks outside Afghanistan or other "special operations outside of Afghanistan" conducted by certain members of al-Qaeda, including the attacks on the U.S. embassies in East Africa in 1998, the attack on the USS Cole in Yemen in 2000, or the September 11, 2001, attacks in America?

Salim Hamdan was not involved in the implementation of any attack.

3.1 If you believe Mr. Hamdan had no involvement in carrying out

such attacks, please explain the basis for that belief.

The answer is the same as the answer to 2.1

3.2 If you believe Mr. Hamdan had some role in carrying out such attacks, please explain everything you know about his role.

He did not play any role in the implementation of any attack.

3.3 Were you in a position to know? If so, please explain why you were in a position to know.

Refer to the answer to 2.1

4. Was the planning of al Qaeda's operations outside Afghanistan, including attacks against the United States or its allies, a process in which many people were involved?

I do not know.

4.1 If not, why not?

4.2 How many people would have been involved, if you know?

I do not know exactly.

4.3 Was the information about such operations closely guarded or kept from general dissemination even within the al-Qaeda organization?

Occasionally yes, and occasionally no

4.4 Was Salim Hamdan in a position where he would have been consulted or otherwise made aware of any attacks outside Afghanistan before the fact, including the attacks on the U.S. embassies in East Africa in 1998, the attack on the USS Cole in Yemen in 2000, or the September 11, 2001, attacks in America?

4.5 How do you know?

5. What is the basis of your knowledge regarding the al-Qaeda organization?

Long knowledge since my youth.

6. Did you have any assigned responsibilities within the al-Qaeda organization?

Yes

7. Who did you have contact with, and who did you work with, within the al-Qaeda organization, if you had such contact?

It was with Sheikh Usama and Sheikh Abu Hafs and Dr Aymen al-Dhawaheri and also with Hamza al-Qutri.

8. Was every person who worked for Osama bin Laden invited or allowed to participate in the planning or execution of attacks outside Afghanistan conducted by

certain members of al-Qaeda, including the attacks on the U.S. embassies in East Africa in 1998, the attack on the USS Cole in Yemen in 2000, or the September 11, 2001, attacks in America?

8.1 Who was invited or allowed to participate?

8.2 Was information about the planned attacks shared with others who were not involved?

9. Did Mr. bin Laden have people working for him on agricultural or other projects in Afghanistan that did not involve military activities or planning or support for attacks in other countries?

Yes.

10. Did Mr. bin Laden have only one driver, or was there a motor pool of several drivers who would transport Mr. bin Laden during the period 1996 to November 2001?

There was a group of drivers.

10.1 If more than one, do you know approximately how many drivers were in Mr. bin Laden's motor pool?

I do not remember.

11. Do you know whether Mr. Hamdan worked on cars and trucks for Mr. bin Laden, performing repairs and maintenance on them?

Yes (refer to answer for 1.6).

12. Do you know whether Mr. Hamdan was involved in purchasing cars and truck for Mr. bin Laden?

13. Do you know – either generally or specifically – who was involved in the planning of al Qaeda's attacks against the United States or its allies?

Yes. Sheikh Usama and sheikh abu Hafs al-masre (god mercy on him) and Dr Aymen al-Dthawaheri.

14. Do you know specifically who was involved in execution of those plans?

Yes. Those that participated in the implementation died during the operation – those that implemented operations against American Embassies in East Africa died during the operation, because these were suicidal missions. And also the attack on the destroyer Cole was suicide and those that implemented it died. And also operations on September 11 as all no. I don't know if the purpose of the question 14 was for me to know the names of those that implemented the operation, if that was the purpose, I am ready to supply the names when requested.

15. To your knowledge, were any of the members of the motor pool involved

in the planning or execution of activities outside Afghanistan or other "special operations outside of Afghanistan" undertaken by certain members of the al-Qaeda organization against America or its allies?

16. Did Salim Hamdan ever have any role in planning or carrying out any activities that you either directed or were involved in?

No

16.1. If so, please describe Mr. Hamdan's role and his activities.

17. To your knowledge, did Salim Hamdan ever transport any equipment or material to the Ansar ground forces in Afghanistan (Arab fighters supporting the Taliban in their struggle against the Northern Alliance)?

17.1 Did he transport any Taliban weapons to the Ansars (Arab fighters supporting the Taliban in their struggle against the Northern Alliance) who were on the front?

17.2 Do you know whether Mr. Hamdan had authorization from the Taliban to transport such weapons?

17.3 In general, do you know whether authorization from the Taliban would have been required to transport weapons to Ansar fighters (Arab fighters supporting the Taliban) in Afghanistan?

17.4 Do you know whether Salim Hamdan was involved in transporting such weapons to the Ansars (Arab fighters supporting the Taliban) who were defending Kandahar against the US forces in November 2001?

18. Was Salim Hamdan an assigned bodyguard for Osama bin Laden?

No, he was not like that

18.1 Do you know if he was ever asked to play that role on one or two occasions for a particular day or a particular event?

Yes. Such occasions were during certain days or holidays, sometimes even of members not with Al Qaida connections like Salim Hamdan.

19. To your knowledge, was Salim Hamdan ever involved in any conspiracy with specific intent to plan or conduct terrorist attacks on America or its allies?

No, he was not involved in any conspiracy.

20. Based on your knowledge, was Salim Hamdan someone who provided

material aid and support to the planning or execution of terrorist attacks on America or its allies?

No, he did not provide any assistance as far as I know.

21. Was everyone who ever visited an al-Qaeda facility or an al-Qaeda camp in Afghanistan a participant in the planning or execution of attacks, whether inside or outside Afghanistan?

No, but it is possible for any person to visit the buildings even if they were not a member of Al Qaida. And is not considered a participant in the planning or the implementation of the attack.

22. Did al Qaeda provide Arab fighters to support the Taliban in their conflict against the Northern Alliance in Afghanistan?

23. Based on your knowledge and experience, did the al-Qaeda organization in the period 1996 - November 2001 have any sort of structure or hierarchy?

I do not know exactly, but there was lists that included names that were in Al Qaida organization or they were working with them. Even names of workers in activities that are not military such as agriculture project and the like of that. Also there were lists of names that received salaries monthly from Sheik Usama regardless if they were members of Al Qaida or not. Perhaps the name of Salim Hamdan can be among those names because he was included with the drivers that received monthly

salaries.

23.1 Was there a group of people who were involved in attacks in foreign countries or other "special operations outside of Afghanistan"?

23.2 Was everyone affiliated with al-Qaeda involved in that group?

23.3 Other than planning or carrying out attacks in foreign countries, what else was al-Qaeda involved in during that time?

Al Qaida had the charity activities related to providing help to refugees and also Al Qaida had a special committee to assist immigrants and widows and orphans in Afghanistan.

23.3.1 Support of the Ansars (Arab fighters supporting the Taliban)?

23.3.2 Support of the Taliban?

23.3.3 Fighting against the common enemy of the Taliban in Afghanistan?

23.3.4 Supplying weapons, material, and soldiers for that effort?

23.3.5 Was the al-Qaeda organization also involved in any economic activities totally unrelated to military affairs or "special operations outside of Afghanistan" during the period 1996 - November 2001?

24. Who were the senior leaders of al-Qaeda during the period 1996 - November 2001?

Sheik Usama Bin Laden or Sheik Abu Hafs and Dr Aymen Al-Dihawaheri.

25. Do you know Nasser al-Bahri ("Abu Jandal")?

25.1 What is the basis of your knowledge?

25.2 What was his association with Osama bin Laden, if any?

25.3 Was he involved in providing protection and security for Osama bin Laden?

25.4 Was he a member of the al-Qaeda inner circle, in your view?

25.5 Based on your knowledge and experience, was Nasser al-Bahri ("Abu Jandal") in a position to know who was an insider of the al-Qaeda organization involved in the planning and execution of overseas attacks or other "special operations outside of Afghanistan" during the period from 1996 until 2000?

26. Did you ever see or hear of Salim Hamdan engaging in any acts of violence or armed combat against the United States or any member of the American military or American civilians, such as launching rockets, firing weapons, igniting explosives, or setting booby-traps?

I did not see and I did not hear about Hamdan's participation in any of the things mentioned.

Thank you for agreeing to provide us with this information, which is important for the defense of Mr. Hamdan.