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TACTICAL INTERROGATION REPORT:

REPORT NUMBER (U): 1.4a

REPORT DATE (DOI) (U): 27 MAR 07

REPORTING UNIT (U): 1.4a

COUNTRY (U): IRAQ (IZ), IRAN (IR)

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SUMMARY (~~S//REL TO USA AND MCFI~~):

- THE THIRTEENTH INTERROGATION OF N1228A
- DETAINEE PROVIDED IDENTIFICATIONS FOR ASSOCIATED DETAINEES
- DETAINEE PROVIDED A SHORT ATMOSPHERIC ON IRGC-QF

TEXT (~~S//REL TO USA AND MCFI~~):

1. BIOGRAPHICAL DATA (~~S//REL TO USA AND MCFI~~):

GIVEN NAME: QAYIS

FATHER'S GIVEN NAME: HADI

GRANDFATHER'S GIVEN NAME: SA'ID

CLAN NAME: NONE

TRIBAL NAME: AL-KHAZALI

ALIAS: NONE

EYE COLOR: BROWN

HAIR COLOR: BLACK

HEIGHT: 5 FEET EIGHT INCHES

WEIGHT: 160 LBS

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES: IRREGULAR SHAPED PORTWINE BIRTHMARK, LEFT FRONT SHOULDER, ARMPIT AREA.

ADDRESS: AL-SALAH NEIGHBORHOOD, IN THE VICINITY OF AL-SALAH MOSQUE, KUFA, IRAQ.

PHONE NUMBER: NONE

MOBILE NUMBER: CLAIMS TO HAVE LOST HIS CELLULAR TELEPHONE SEVERAL DAYS PRIOR TO CAPTURE.

POB: BAGHDAD, IZ

DOB: 24 APRIL 1974

MARITAL STATUS: DIVORCED

NATIONALITY: IRAQI

RELIGION: SHI'A/ISLAM



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EDUCATION: ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL, 1995-PRESENT, THE SHI'A HAWZA RELIGIOUS TRAINING INSTITUTE IN AL-NAJAF, IZ.

LANGUAGES (PROFICIENCY): ARABIC (NATIVE), ENGLISH (ABLE TO SPEAK HALTINGLY).

MOSQUE: NONE

IMAM: NONE

MILITARY EXPERIENCE: PAID HIS WAY OUT OF THE IRAQI ARMY IN 1997 FOR 1.5 MILLION IRAQI DINAR.

SPECIAL SKILLS: NONE

OCCUPATION: POLITICIAN

MEDICAL (U): CLEARED FOR DETENTION / INTERROGATION / LAST CHECK UP: 27 MAR 07

DETAINEE NUMBER: N1228A

FATHER: HADI SA'ID AL-KHAZALI

MOTHER: DNA

BROTHERS: DNA

SISTERS: DNA

WIFE: DIVORCED

CHILDREN: 1 BOY, AWAIS (6), 1 GIRL, MAIS (8). BOTH LIVE WITH THEIR MOTHER IN BAGHDAD, IZ.

2. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CAPTURE:

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DTG OF CAPTURE: 20 MAR 0300C 2007

PLACE OF CAPTURE: BASRAH, IZ.

APPREHENDING UNIT: 1.4a

REASON FOR CAPTURE: DETAINEE IS A SUSPECTED AIF GROUP LEADER, AND IS ASSOCIATED WITH WEAPONS SMUGGLING FROM IRAN, EJK ACTIVITY, AND INVOLVEMENT WITH THE ATTACK ON THE KARBALA PJCC.

CURRENT LOCATION: 1.4a

WEAPONS, DOCUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT (~~S//REL TO USA AND MCFI~~):

INTERROGATOR: 3.5c

LANGUAGE USED: ARABIC

INTERPRETER (NATIVE DIALECT): 3.5c

3. SUMMARY OF INTERROGATION / INTELLIGENCE GAINED (~~S//REL TO USA AND MCFI~~):

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DETAINEE SAID THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE THAT THEY WOULD GIVE THE ORDER TO KEEP FIGHTING AS HA'IRI DOES NOT GET INVOLVED IN SUCH MATTERS. HA'IRI HAS NOT BEEN VOCAL ABOUT THE U.S. BEING HERE SO IS SURE HE WOULD NOT BE VOCAL IF THE U.S. LEFT. BECAUSE OF HA'IRI'S RELIGIOUS RANK, HE IS UNLIKELY TO INTERFERE EITHER POSITIVELY OR NEGATIVELY. MAS WOULD PROBABLY NOT INTERFERE WITH THE PROCESS EITHER AS HE IS TIRED OF FIGHTING. DETAINEE SAID THE BATTLE OF NAJAF TOOK THE FIGHT OUT OF MAS AND SINCE THEN HE HAS CONCENTRATED MORE ON HIS POLITICS AND RELIGION. DETAINEE DOES NOT THINK MAS WILL ISSUE AN ORDER TO CONTINUE FIGHTING AMERICANS.

ANY CONTINUATION OF THE FIGHTING WOULD MORE THAN LIKELY COME FROM THE IRANIANS. DETAINEE IS NOT SURE WHAT THEY WILL DO AND SAID HE WOULD NOT HAVE VERY MUCH INFLUENCE OVER THEM. THEY COULD STILL FIGHT USING BADR CORPS ASSETS AS WELL AS THEIR INFLUENCE ON PEOPLE WHO HAVE SOUGHT REFUGE IN IRAN DURING THIS FIGHTING. DETAINEE SAID PEOPLE LIKE ABU DURA, WHO HAVE USED IRAN AS A SAFE HAVEN, WOULD BE EASILY INFLUENCED BY IRAN TO CONTINUE FIGHTING AGAINST U.S. FORCES. DETAINEE THINKS THAT PEOPLE LIKE ABU MUSTAFA AL-SHAIBANI WOULD BE USED TO CONTINUE FIGHTING.

DETAINEE WAS ASKED WHAT GUARANTEES HE COULD GIVE ABOUT THE CESSATION OF FIGHTING IF WE AGREED TO WITHDRAW TROOPS AND HE SAID THAT WITHOUT AN AGREEMENT FROM IRAN, HE COULD NOT GUARANTEE THE FIGHTING WILL COMPLETELY STOP BUT THAT IT WILL "STOP SIGNIFICANTLY". DETAINEE SAID SOME THINGS HAVE TO HAPPEN SUCH AS THE INCLUSION OF HASAN SALIM IN THE TALKS. SALIM HAS TREMENDOUS INFLUENCE OVER THE PEOPLE OF SADR CITY AND WE NEED HIS SUPPORT. IF WE WERE TO TREAT SALIM WELL, ENGAGE IN TALKS, AND SHOW OUR SINCERITY BY SETTING HIM FREE, THE WHOLE PROCESS WOULD WORK MUCH MORE EASILY.

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SAID THAT IN THE SPIRIT OF LETTING THE DIFFERENT SECTS DEAL WITH THEIR OWN ISSUES, PEOPLE LIKE ABU DURA AND MUHAMMAD SHAKIR WOULD BE ASKED TO RECONCILE AND JOIN THE AGREEMENT FOR A PEACEFUL IRAQ. IF THEY REFUSED, THEY WOULD BE TREATED AS CRIMINALS AND THIS WOULD GIVE THE GREEN LIGHT FOR THE AUTHORITIES TO CAPTURE DURA AND SHAKIR AND DEAL WITH THEM ACCORDINGLY. DETAINEE SAID THIS WOULD NOT WORK ON THE KHAMEINI GROUPS, AS

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THEIR COMMITMENT TO AYATOLLAH KHAMEINI SUPERSEDES ANY COMMITMENT TO SHI'A, ISLAM, OR THEIR COUNTRY. DETAINEE SAID IT WOULD BE HARD FOR THE KHAMEINI GROUPS TO CONTINUE FIGHTING SINCE THEY WOULD PROBABLY NO LONGER HAVE THE SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL POPULACE. WITHOUT THIS THEY WOULD BE MUCH LESS EFFECTIVE.

DETAINEE SAID THAT HE HAS NO IDEA WHO WOULD TAKE HIS PLACE IF HE WAS DETAINED INDEFINITELY. HE SAID THAT HE HAS NEVER NAMED A SUCCESSOR AND NEVER REALLY THOUGHT ABOUT IT. HE WAS ASKED IF HIS BROTHER LAYITH WOULD BE A GOOD SUCCESSOR AND HE SAID THAT LAYITH IS A GREAT PERSON BUT LACKS THE EXPERIENCE.

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DETAINEE SAID IT WAS A SIMILAR PLAN TO THE ONE HE LAID OUT FOR THE RECONCILIATION PROCESS WHICH WAS THAT SUNNI TAKES CARE OF THE SUNNI PROBLEMS AND THE SHI'A TAKES CARE OF THE SHI'A PROBLEMS. THE SUNNI ARE AN ACTION ORIENTED PEOPLE AND THE SHI'A ARE A REACTIVE PEOPLE. THE IDEA WAS THAT AS LONG AS THERE WAS NO ACTION, THERE WOULD BE NO REACTION. IF THE SUNNI COUNCIL MEMBERS COULD CONTROL THEIR PEOPLE THERE WOULD BE NO ATTACKS FROM THE SUNNI AND THEREFORE THERE WOULD BE NO COUNTER ATTACKS FROM THE SHI'A. IF THERE WAS AN ATTACK BY THE SUNNI, IT WOULD BE UP TO THE SHI'A COUNCIL TO ENSURE THERE WAS NO REACTION AND THAT IT WOULD BE UP TO THE SUNNI TO FIND THE PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE AND TO DEAL WITH THEM ACCORDINGLY. THIS PLAN WAS DRAFTED BY THE DETAINEE AND PRESENTED TO ANANI AL-DULAYMI, KHALIF AL-LAYUM, JAFARI AND MOST OF THE "FRONT ROW SUNNI AND SHI'A POLITICIANS" WHO LIKED THE IDEA. THE POLITICIANS SIGNED OFF ON THE DEAL BUT MAS DRAGGED HIS FEET ON SIGNING IT. HASAN AL-RABAI WAS THERE TO SIGN IT FOR MAS BUT MAS WOULD NOT GIVE HIM THE GO AHEAD. DETAINEE ASSUMES THIS WAS BECAUSE THE PLAN GOT SUCH GREAT REVIEWS FROM THE POLITICIANS THAT MAS WAS JEALOUS OF DETAINEE'S SUCCESS AND DIDN'T WANT HIM TO GAIN ANY MORE RESPECT SO KILLED THE PLAN BY NOT SIGNING IT. MAS THOUGHT THE PLAN GOING THROUGH MIGHT GIVE DETAINEE ENOUGH PULL TO USURP MAS.

THERE WERE ALSO ALTERNATIVE PLANS SUCH AS EACH SECTOR OF SADR CITY GOVERNS ITSELF AND TAKES CARE OF ITS OWN PROBLEMS BUT SAMI AL-ASCALI SAID NURI AL-MALIKI WOULD NEVER BUY OFF ON THAT BECAUSE IT WOULD JUST CREATE MORE MILITIAS. AND THERE WAS ALSO A GENERAL PLAN OF INCREASING SECURITY TO A LEVEL THAT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO PENETRATE.

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DETAINEE WAS TOLD THAT HIS PLAN OF SUNNI TAKING CARE OF SUNNI PROBLEMS AND SHI'A TAKING CARE OF SHI'A PROBLEMS IS A PLAN BUILT ON TRUST AND WHAT WAS THERE TO MAKE HIM THINK THE SUNNI COULD BE TRUSTED. HE SAID THERE IS A NEW ELEMENT IN THE MIX NOW AND THAT IS THE POSSIBLE PULL-OUT OF AMERICAN TROOPS. HE SAID BEFORE, AMERICA WAS PROTECTING BOTH SIDES. WITHOUT THIS PROTECTION, THE SIDES WOULD NOT FIGHT EACH OTHER BUT, DUE TO THEM BOTH BEING TIRED OF FIGHTING, THEY WOULD RATHER USE PEACEFUL MEANS TO WORK OUT PROBLEMS.

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DETAINEE WAS ASKED TO GIVE HIS OPINION OF THE FOLLOWING KEY FIGURES:

ABD-AL-MAHDI (ABU FIRAS) AL-MUTAYIRI IS A MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE OF THE SADR OFFICE. DETAINEE DOES NOT TALK TO HIM. HE IS A NICE GUY BUT VERY HYPER. HE IS A LAWYER. HE HAS THE COUNTRY'S BEST INTEREST AT HEART AND WOULD BE OPEN TO RECONCILIATION.

AHMAD AL-MUTAYIRI IS THE BROTHER OF ABD-AL-MAHDI. IN JANUARY, HE WANTED TO GO TO HAJJ AND MAS SAID THAT HE COULDN'T BECAUSE HE WENT TO HAJJ LAST YEAR. AHMAD WENT TO HAJJ ANYWAY AND WAS FIRED WHEN HE GOT BACK.

WALID AL-KURAYMAWIS A YOUNG QUIET GUY. HE IS ALSO ON THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE OF THE SADR OFFICE. HE IS BETTER THAN AB-AL-MAHDI BECAUSE HE IS QUIET. HE HAS VERY GOOD IDEAS FOR A YOUNG MAN.

BAHA AL-ARAJI IS A MEMBER OF THE SADR PARTY IN PARLIAMENT. HE ONCE LIVED IN ENGLAND. DETAINEES OPINION IS THAT HE IS A GOOD GUY.

MAHDI AL-MUHANDIS IS AN IRAQI WITH A STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH IRAN. HE WAS A BADR CORPS COMMANDER IN THE 1980'S. HE IS STILL IN CONTACT WITH THE IRGC AND ACCORDING TO THE DETAINEE THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE IN PARLIAMENT WITH TIES TO IRAN

WHEN ASKED ABOUT JAM FIGHTING THE ISRAELIS IN LEBANON HE LAUGHED AND SAID THAT A JAM MEMBER WOULD NOT LAST A SECOND IN THAT FIGHTING. HE SAID THAT JAM MEMBERS ARE JUST REGULAR PEOPLE AND ARE NOT ORGANIZED ENOUGH TO DO ANYTHING IN THAT BATTLE.

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DETAINEE ASKED ABOUT THE RECONCILIATION AND IF HE WAS GOING TO LOOK LIKE HE WAS MAKING DEALS WITH THE AMERICANS. HE WAS TOLD THAT HE WOULD BE REQUIRED TO AGREE WITH US AND THAT WE WOULD APPEAR TO AGREE WITH HIM. IT WOULD BE A WIN/WIN SITUATION FOR ALL OF US AND WOULD HAVE TO APPEAR THAT WAY TO THE IRAQI AND AMERICAN PUBLIC. DETAINEE WAS THEN ASKED IF HE WOULD BE ABLE TO SHAKE AN AMERICAN HAND ON TELEVISION TO PROVE THAT HE APPROVES OF OUR PLAN AND THAT WE ARE ALL IN AGREEMENT. HE SAID THIS WOULD BE TOUGH TO DO SINCE HE IS A RELIGIOUS MAN AND IN THEIR CULTURE IT WOULD NOT LOOK RIGHT FOR HIM TO BE IN DIRECT CONTACT OR SHAKING HANDS WITH AMERICANS. HE SAID WE WOULD HAVE TO MAKE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE POLITICIANS. HE WAS ASKED IF HE WOULD STAND BEHIND THE POLITICIANS SHOWING HIS SOLIDARITY TO THEM AND THEIR DECISION TO DEAL WITH US. HE SAID THAT WAS A GREAT SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM AND WOULD BE HAPPY TO THAT.

INTERROGATION APPROACH / TECHNIQUES (S//REL TO USA AND MCFI):

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4. COMMENTS (S//REL TO USA AND MCFI):

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SENIOR INTERROGATOR COMMENTS: NONE

5. POINTS OF CONTACT (U):

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NOTE: ALL ARABIC SPELLINGS ARE IAW DI POLICY NO. 033, "SPELLING NAMES OF FOREIGN PERSONS IN DI PRODUCTS," DATED 02 DEC 03 AND DDICM DIRECTIVE, "INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY STANDARD FOR THE TRANSLITERATION OF ARABIC NAMES IN FINAL WRITTEN REPORTS AND

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PRODUCTS," DATED 04 JUN 03, IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 352 OF THE INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2003.

PREP (U):

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AQC (U): BAGHDAD, IRAQ (2007/03/28)

ENCL (U): NONE

DISSEM (U): FIELD – NONE

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