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TACTICAL INTERROGATION REPORT:

REPORT NUMBER (U): 1.4a

REPORT DATE (DOI) (U): 11 APR 07

REPORTING UNIT (U): 1.4a

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

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SUMMARY (~~S//REL to USA and MCFI~~):

- THE THIRTY-NINTH INTERROGATION OF N1228A
- DETAINEE PROVIDED INFORMATION ON WALID KRAYMAWI (PHONETIC), WHO WORKS FOR THE OFFICE OF MARTYR SADR'S POLITICAL COMMITTEE
- DETAINEE PROVIDED LIMITED INFORMATION CONCERNING THE TIMING OF JAYSH AL-MAHDI AND SPECIAL GROUP ATTACKS
- DETAINEE PROVIDED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON MUHAMMAD AL-SA'DI

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-KHAZ'ALI

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



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NATIONALITY: IRAQI
RELIGION: SHI'A/ISLAM
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: 11 APR 07

DETAINEE NUMBER: N1228A

FATHER: HADI SA'ID AL-KHAZ'ALI
MOTHER: WOULD NOT ANSWER (WNA)
BROTHERS: WNA
SISTERS: WNA
WIFE: DIVORCED
CHILDREN: 1 BOY, AWAIS (6), 1 GIRL, MAIS (8). BOTH LIVE WITH THEIR MOTHER IN BAGHDAD, IZ.

2. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CAPTURE:

CONOP: 1.4a
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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1.4c DETAINEE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT WALID AL-KRAYMAWI (PHONETIC):

NAME: WALID AL-KRAYMAWI

ALIAS: SHEIKH WALID 1.4c

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ROLE IN INSURGENCY: MEMBER OF OFFICE OF MARTYR SADR POLITICAL COMMITTEE.

LINKS WITH OTHER INSURGENTS: FRIEND OF WALID AL-ZAMILI

AGE: 32

HEIGHT: 170 CM

WEIGHT: DNK

BUILD: MEDIUM

HAIR COLOR: BLACK

HAIRSTYLE: COMBED FRONT TO BACK

EYES: DNK. NOT BLUE OR YELLOW.

GLASSES: NONE.

FACIAL HAIR: VERY THIN BLACK BEARD AND MUSTACHE

CLOTHING: WESTERN STYLE TROUSERS AND SHIRT

SCARS, MARKS, TATTOOS: NONE

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS: NONE. HE IS NORMAL.

JEWELRY: DNK

SKIN COLOR: DARK TAN

TEETH: FULL SET

NATIONALITY: IRAQI

ETHNICITY: ARAB

RELIGION: SHI'A

LANGUAGES: ARABIC (NATIVE/LITERATE)

MARRIED: PROBABLY YES

CHILDREN: DNK

PHONE NUMBER: DNK

EMAIL: DNK

WEAPONS: DNA

WHERE DOES INDIVIDUAL SPEND MOST OF HIS TIME: DNK

EXPLOITATION INFO: WALID WORKS IN BAGHDAD FOR ABU FARAS AS A MEMBER OF THE OFFICE OF THE MARTYR SADR (OMS) POLITICAL COMMITTEE. HIS JOB INVOLVES OVERSIGHT OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT AND MINISTRY OFFICIALS WHO BELONG TO THE SADR TREND. HE SERVES AS A LIAISON BETWEEN THE OMS AND THOSE OFFICIALS, RELAYING

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INSTRUCTIONS TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT FROM THE SADR TREND REGARDING WHAT TO BRING UP AND DISCUSS IN PARLIAMENT.

DETAINEE TRIED TO FIND OUT HOW WALID OBTAINED THIS POSITION BUT DID NOT DISCOVER THE SPECIFICS. DETAINEE ASSUMES THAT HE GOT THE JOB THROUGH A CONNECTION WITH WALID AL-ZAMILI. WALID AL-KRAYMAWI AND WALID AL-ZAMILI KNEW EACH OTHER IN SYRIA FOR A LONG TIME. AFTER MUHAMMAD AL-SADR WAS KILLED, IN APPROXIMATELY FEBRUARY 1999, A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF SADR TREND MEMBERS FLED IRAQ AND SETTLED IN SYRIA, INCLUDING WALID AL-KRAYMAWI AND WALID AL-ZAMILI. DETAINEE DOES NOT KNOW THE FULL EXTENT OF THEIR RELATIONSHIP. THEY RESIDED IN THE AL-SHAM AREA OF SYRIA, NEAR THE SHRINE OF LADY ZAYNAB. THERE WAS A HAWZA IN SHAM FOR STUDENTS TO CONTINUE FURTHER STUDIES. OTHERS THAT FLED WORKED AT A VARIETY OF JOBS IN ORDER TO MAKE A LIVING, SUCH AS BUYING AND SELLING GOODS. SOME HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT ASYLUM CLAIMS, BUT A MAJORITY OF THEM RETURNED TO IRAQ AROUND THE TIME WHEN SADDAM HUSSEIN'S REGIME FELL. A FEW OF THEM RETURNED PRIOR TO THE REGIME'S FALL, BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT REACT AGAINST THEM SEVERELY OR THAT THEY COULD OTHERWISE RETURN SAFELY. WALID RETURNED AT LEAST A FEW MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF THE FALL OF THE OLD REGIME.

WALID SPENT TWO TO SIX MONTHS AT THE NAJAF AL-HAWZA DURING THE PERIOD OF A FEW MONTHS BEFORE THE FALL OF SADDAM HUSSEIN'S REGIME UNTIL ONE MONTH AFTER. HE DID NOT ACTUALLY ATTEND AL-HAWZA, BUT CAME FREQUENTLY TO NAJAF DURING THAT PERIOD WITH SOME RELIGIOUS QUESTIONS IN ORDER TO INCREASE HIS KNOWLEDGE. [REDACTED] 1.4c

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WALID MAY RESIDE IN THE BALADAYAT NEIGHBORHOOD OF BAGHDAD (NFI).

WALID IS A VERY CALM AND VERY REASONABLE PERSON. HE IS VERY LOGICAL AND MODERATE.

DETAINEE MET WALID THROUGH THEIR MUTUAL FRIEND 'IMAD, WHO FLED TO CANADA OR AUSTRALIA AND ULTIMATELY DID NOT RETURN TO IRAQ. DETAINEE HAS HAD VERY LITTLE CONTACT WITH WALID. WHEN DETAINEE SAW HIM AT A RECENT OMS FUNCTION HE DID NOT RECOGNIZE HIM INITIALLY. DETAINEE WAS SURPRISED TO SEE HIM IN A PROMINENT POSITION AT THE OMS POLITICAL OFFICE.

COLLECTORS ASSESSMENT:

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DETAINEE DOES NOT HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT A SHEIKH JA'FAR WHO LIVES IN BALADAYAT. DETAINEE KNOWS ONE SHEIKH JA'FAR IN THE TALABIYAH NEIGHBORHOOD OF BAGHDAD. JA'FAR IS AN OLDER MAN, IN HIS EIGHTIES.

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JA'FAR WORKED WITH THE LATE MUHAMMAD AL-SADR. DETAINEE DOES NOT BELIEVE THE SHEIKH JA'FAR HE KNOWS IS INVOLVED WITH MILITANT ACTIVITIES OR SUPPLYING MILITANTS.

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DETAINEE AND ASAD AL-BASRI KEEP IN TOUCH BY TELEPHONE ON OCCASION. DETAINEE CANNOT RECALL MAKING MORE THAN TWO CALLS TO ASAD. THEY HAVE DISCUSSED THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND EDUCATIONAL MATTERS OF JAYSH AL-MAHDI (JAM) BY PHONE. DETAINEE FEELS THAT MOST JAM MEMBERS ARE UNEDUCATED. HE AGREES WITH ASAD THAT SOME EDUCATION PROGRAM SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED IN ORDER TO TEACH JAM MEMBERS HOW TO BEHAVE. SINCE DETAINEE WAS ARRESTED, ASAD MIGHT HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED A LEAFLET OR BOOKLET TO DISTRIBUTE IN ORDER TO RAISE EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS IN JAM. DETAINEE DOES NOT RECALL WHY HE AND ASAD DISCUSS THIS ISSUE, THOUGH ONE OF THEM RAISED THE ISSUE IN CONVERSATION AND DETAINEE FOUND THAT HE SUPPORTED ASAD'S PROPOSAL. THEY OPENED THE DISCUSSION ON THIS TOPIC LESS THAN SIX MONTHS AGO. DETAINEE DENIES DISCUSSING ANYTHING ELSE WITH ASAD DURING THAT TIME OTHER THAN ROUTINE CONVERSATION UNRELATED TO JAM OR SPECIAL GROUPS.

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NO PLANS WERE MADE TO RETALIATE IN THE EVENT OF DETAINEE'S CAPTURE.

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RETALIATION IS POSSIBLE GIVEN THE CONSIDERABLE RESPECT FOR DETAINEE AND DETAINEE'S INFLUENCE, BUT HE DOES NOT KNOW SPECIFICALLY WHO WOULD RETALIATE OR HOW. DETAINEE WOULD RATHER REACH A PEACEFUL AND COOPERATIVE SOLUTION.

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ATTACKS BY SHI'A WILL DECREASE DURING AL-ASHURA, BECAUSE OF THE GREAT DEAL OF LENGTHY DAYS OF

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WORSHIP THAT DO NOT PERMIT ENOUGH TIME TO CONDUCT ATTACKS. AL-ASHURA CEREMONIES ARE NOTEWORTHY FOR THE USE OF CHAINS AND SWORDS. DURING THIS RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE, SHI'A WALK FROM THEIR CITIES TO KARBALAH. IT IS TIME CONSUMING, SO THEY WILL NOT HAVE TIME TO ATTACK. AL-ASHURA TAKES PLACE DURING THE FIRST TEN DAYS OF THE ISLAMIC MONTH OF MUHARAM. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OTHER RELIGIOUS EVENTS TO COMMEMORATE THE BIRTHS AND DEATHS OF IMAM THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, BUT THEY ARE NOT EVENTS ON SUCH A LARGE SCALE AS TO HAVE THE SAME IMPACT OF DECREASING SHI'A ATTACKS.

IN FOUR MONTHS OF THE ISLAMIC CALENDAR, OFFENSIVE WARFARE IS FORBIDDEN COMPLETELY, BUT DEFENSIVE WAR IS ALLOWED, I.E., SHI'A ARE ENTITLED TO RESPOND TO ATTACKS, BUT NOT TO INITIATE THEM. THE ISLAMIC MONTHS THAT OFFENSIVE WARFARE IS PROHIBITED IN ARE RIJAB, DULQUADA, THU-HAJJA, AND MUHARAM. THE REASON THE QURAN PROHIBITS OFFENSIVE WAR DURING THESE MONTHS IS THAT THEY ARE PRIMARILY DEVOTED TO PILGRIMAGES. SHI'A USE THESE MONTHS FOR VISITS TO THEIR HOLY SHRINES. IF AMERICANS ATTACK SHI'A DURING THESE MONTHS, THE SHI'A WILL BE ENTITLED TO ENGAGE IN DEFENSIVE WAR.

FOR SHI'A, FRIDAY IS THE MOST RELIGIOUS DAY OF THE WEEK. IT IS A DAY TO BE DEVOTED TO PRAYER AND TO REST. THERE SHOULD NOT BE ANY ATTACKS ON FRIDAYS BECAUSE A FRIDAY SHOULD BE RESPECTED LIKE A OTHER RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY. IF SOMEONE DOES CARRY OUT AN ATTACK ON A FRIDAY, OR OTHER RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY, HE IS NOT CONDEMNED FOR DOING SO.

RAMADAN WILL HAVE AN UNPREDICTABLE IMPACT ON ATTACKS. RAMADAN IS A HOLY AND BLESSED MONTH.

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THERE IS NO RELIGIOUS OR PRACTICAL SIGNIFICANCE TO RESTRICTING ATTACKS BASED ON THE POSITION OF THE MOON – WHETHER NEW, FULL, OR OTHERWISE. CERTAIN ATTACKS TAKE PLACE MORE OFTEN AT NIGHT, BECAUSE PEOPLE CAN MOVE WITHOUT BEING DETECTED AND THERE IS NO TRAFFIC. DETAINEE DOES NOT KNOW WHY SO MANY IED ATTACKS TAKE PLACE DURING THE DAY.

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THERE IS NO RELIGIOUS SIGNIFICANCE TO HOW COALITION FORCES ARE TARGETED. SHI'A ATTACK COALITION FORCES BASES WITHOUT TARGETING A SPECIFIC SPOT ON THE BASE. DETAINEE DENIES INVOLVEMENT IN TARGETING.

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MUHAMMAD AL-SA'DI'S

RISE TO THE POSITION OF CONTROLLING THE SPECIAL GROUPS IS BASED ON RESPECT. HE WAS A STUDENT AT THE NAJAF AL-HAWZA FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME – ALMOST FIVE YEARS LONGER THAN DETAINEE. HE HAS A FULL GRAY BEARD, WHICH ADDS TO THE RESPECT HE RECEIVES. HE HAS NOTABLE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF HIS ENTIRE RELIGION. MUQTADA AL-SADR INVITES HIM, ON OCCASION, TO DELIVER THE FRIDAY PRAYER AT THE KUFA MOSQUE IN NAJAF. MUHAMMAD COMPLETED THE FIRST TWO LEVELS OF STUDY AT AL-HAWZA – THE INTRODUCTORY LEVEL AND THE AL-SITU, OR MIDDLE, LEVEL. HE IS PRESENTLY ENGAGED IN THE THIRD LEVEL, WHICH IS THE FINAL RESEARCH STAGE. ONCE ALL THREE LEVELS OF STUDY ARE COMPLETED, HE CAN BECOME AN AYATOLLAH THROUGH THE COMPLETION OF ONE FURTHER PROJECT. IT IS NOT CLEAR WHEN HE MAY FINISH: IT MAY TAKE A SHORT TIME, OR AS LONG AS 20 YEARS. THE LENGTH OF TIME WILL DEPEND PARTLY UPON HIS INTEREST AND THE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH HE PURSUES HIS STUDIES. THE MINIMUM TIME TO BECOME AN AYATOLLAH IS FIVE YEARS AFTER THE COMPLETION OF ONE'S FINAL RESEARCH. AN EXISTING AYATOLLAH GIVES THE STUDENT A TOPIC TO SUBMIT A THEORY ON DURING THOSE FIVE YEARS. IF THE STUDENT CANNOT COMPLETE THE THEORY DURING THOSE FIVE YEARS, HE WILL RECEIVE ANOTHER FIVE YEARS TO COMPLETE IT, AND SO ON.

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DETAINEE REFUSED TO PROVIDE THE NAMES OR OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT HIS BROTHERS-IN-LAW OR ANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS.

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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 DDCICM DIRECTIVE, "INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY STANDARD FOR THE transliteration of ARABIC NAMES IN FINAL WRITTEN REPORTS AND PRODUCTS," DATED 04 JUN 03, IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 352 OF THE INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2003.

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DISSEM (U): FIELD - NONE

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