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TACTICAL INTERROGATION REPORT:

REPORT NUMBER (U): 1.4a

REPORT DATE (DOI) (U): 17 APR 07

REPORTING UNIT (U): 1.4a

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

SOURCE PARAGRAPH (~~S//REL to USA and MCFI~~): 1.4c

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

- THE FIFTY-SECOND INTERROGATION OF N1228A
- IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF SA'AD SAWAR
- INFORMATION ON KIDNAPPING UNITS AND POSSIBLE OUTCOME OF AL-TAIE SITUATION
- SAID ABU DURA AND SHAYIKH AZAR ARE IN IRAN, MORE THAN LIKELY QUM AND GAVE THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH THEY WOULD COME BACK.
- SHOWED THAT HE KNOWS N1230A IS SOMEONE OF HIGH VALUE BUT REFUSED TO ADMIT IT VERBALLY CITING HE DOES NOT TRUST THE INTENTIONS OF U.S. LEADERSHIP WITH HIM AT THIS TIME.

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.



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POB: BAGHDAD, IZ
DOB: 24 APRIL 1974
MARITAL STATUS: DIVORCED
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: 17 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 ANTI-IRAQI FORCES (AIF) GROUP LEADER, AND IS ASSOCIATED WITH WEAPONS SMUGGLING FROM IRAN, EXTRA JUDICIAL KILLING (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~~):

DETAINEE IDENTIFIED THE PHOTO BELOW AS SA'AD SAWAR. SAID SAWAR WAS A GOOD PERSON BUT HE STARTED FOLLOWING ABBAS AL-KHUPI TOO MUCH AND IN HIS ATTEMPTS TO PLEASE AL-KHUPI, HE "LOST HIS WAY". DETAINEE MADE THE OVERALL CLAIM THAT MUCH OF THE JAYSH AL MAHDI LEADERSHIP HAS LOST THEIR WAY RELIGIOUSLY LATELY BUT THAT THE CORE OF THE ARMY, THE YOUNGER ONES ARE STILL KEEPING FIRM TO THEIR FAITH. HE CITED ABU DURA AND SHAYIKH AZAR AS TWO PEOPLE WHO HAVE COMPLETELY LOST THEIR FAITH.



SA'AD SAWAR

ABU DURA AND SHAYIKH AZAR ARE PROBABLY IN QUM, IRAN. IF THEY ARE NOT IN QUM THEY ARE IN MASHAD. THEY WILL NOT COME BACK TO IRAQ UNTIL THE SITUATION CALMS DOWN AND THEY FEEL SAFER. ABU DURA HAS BEEN THERE FOR A WHILE AND SHAYIKH AZAR WENT THERE ABOUT TWO TO THREE MONTHS AGO. MANY JAM MEMBERS GO TO QUM OR MASHAD AS THEY ARE TOURIST TOWNS AND THERE ARE A LOT OF HOUSES TO RENT WITHOUT SUSPICION. IT IS ILLEGAL FOR A FOREIGNER TO BUY A HOME IN IRAN SO HE DOES NOT THINK THEY BOUGHT HOUSES. DETAINEE FURTHER STATED THAT IRAQI SHI'A USUALLY ONLY GO TO QUM IRAN OR TO SHAM SYRIA TO ESCAPE IRAQ. DETAINEE HAS HEARD THAT ABU DURA TOOK HIS SONS WITH HIM TO IRAN BUT NOT SURE ABOUT THE REST OF HIS FAMILY. ABU DURA WOULD NOT SACRIFICE HIS FAMILY FOR HIS OWN SAFETY OR FREEDOM. SHAYIKH AZAR USED TO BE A SUNNI AND WHEN HE CONVERTED

TO SHI'A HE SPLIT AWAY FROM HIS FAMILY SO HAS NO EMOTIONAL TIES TO THEM AND WOULD NOT SACRIFICE HIS SAFETY OR FREEDOM FOR THEM.

JAM DOES NOT HAVE SPECIFIC KIDNAPPING UNITS NOR DO THEY HAVE SPECIFIC TTPs FOR KIDNAPPING. THEY JUST PULL UP TO A TARGET, POP THE TRUNK AND THROW THE VICTIM IN. THEY THEN TAKE HIM TO A SPECIFIC PLACE AND TORTURE AND KILL HIM. IT IS NOT PART OF WHAT THE SPECIAL GROUPS WHO CONCENTRATE ON FIGHTING COALITION FORCES (CF) DO. THEY DO NOT KIDNAP U.S. SOLDIERS AND SAID THAT KARBALA WAS A SPECIAL INSTANCE. DETAINEE RELIGIOUSLY JUSTIFIED THE KIDNAPPING IN KARBALA WITH THE "EYE FOR AN EYE" ARGUMENT. HE CLAIMS TO NOT HAVE CONDONED THE KILLING OF THE VICTIMS AND SAID THAT SHAYIKH AZAR SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE FOR THAT.

DETAINEE WAS ALSO GIVEN THE AHMAD AL-TAIE EXAMPLE ABOUT THE KIDNAPPING OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS AND SAID AT THE TIME OF THE KIDNAPPING, THE KIDNAPPERS THOUGHT AL-TAIE WAS JUST AN INTERPRETER WHO WAS WORKING FOR THE U.S. WHEN THEY FOUND OUT HE WAS AN AMERICAN SOLDIER THEY WERE PROBABLY VERY HAPPY. DETAINEE SAID THEY PROBABLY TORTURED HIM AT FIRST AND THEN EITHER DECIDED TO KEEP HIM OR KILL HIM. IT IS GENERALLY THE PRACTICE OF JAYSH AL-MAHDI NOT TO KEEP A PRISONER ALIVE FOR VERY LONG. IF THEY KILLED HIM THEY WOULD HAVE DUMPED THE BODY IN AN EMPTY LOT OR MAYBE TRIED TO BURY IT BUT THEY WOULD HAVE LET SOMEBODY KNOW THAT THEY KILLED HIM. WHEN ASKED WHY THEY HAVEN'T LET ANYONE KNOW HE IS STILL ALIVE DETAINEE SAID HE DOES NOT KNOW WHY THEY WOULDN'T DO THAT.

DETAINEE SPECULATED FURTHER ON THE THEORY THAT IRAN IS TRYING TO CONVERT REGULAR MAHDI ARMY INTO SPECIAL GROUPS AND GET THEM TO CONCENTRATE THEIR FIGHTING EFFORTS TOWARDS THE AMERICANS. DETAINEE SAID THAT THE REGULAR MAHDI ARMY IS TOO CONCERNED WITH FIGHTING SALAFIS AND BA'ATHISTS TO CONCENTRATE ON AMERICANS AND THAT SALAFIS ARE STILL TOO BIG OF A THREAT TO IGNORE.

THE REST OF THE SESSION WAS SPENT TRYING TO GET INFORMATION ON N1230A, THE SUPPOSED LEBANESE HEZBOLLAH OFFICER WHO WAS CAPTURED WITH THEM. THROUGH DETAINEE'S ACTIONS AND ANSWERS, HE CLEARLY ADMITTED THAT N1230A WAS A VERY IMPORTANT PERSON AND THERE WAS A REASON THAT HE HAD LIED TO US ABOUT HIM UP TO THIS POINT. DETAINEE ADMITTED HE HAD LIED TO US. DETAINEE SPENT A GOOD DEAL OF TIME JUSTIFYING HIS REASONS FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO TELL US ABOUT N1230A. DETAINEE SAID HE HAD A DEEP TRUST WITH THE PEOPLE HE HAS BEEN WORKING WITH BUT THAT HE COULD NOT BE SURE WHAT THE INTENTIONS OF U.S. LEADERSHIP WAS WITH HIM AND THEREFORE WAS STILL UNWILLING

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TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT N1230A. IT CLEARLY PUT THE DETAINEE IN A DEEP THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT HE SHOULD DO.

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):

3.5c

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.

PREP (U): 3.5c

AQC (U): BAGHDAD, IRAQ (2007/04/17)

ENCL (U): NONE

DISSEM (U): FIELD – NONE

WARNING (U): REPORT CLASSIFIED ~~SECRET // REL to USA and MCFI~~

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