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TACTICAL INTERROGATION REPORT:

REPORT NUMBER (U): 1.4a

REPORT DATE (DOI) (U): 28 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 SIXTY-THIRD INTERROGATION OF N1228A
- CLAIMED TO NOT KNOW ABU ZAKI OR ZAKZAK OR SAMIR.
- SAID JALIL AL-NURI OR ABBAS AL-KHUFU WOULD TAKE OVER HIS ROLE WITH THE SPECIAL GROUPS
- OUTSIDE CHANCE ABU SAJJAD AL-GHARAWI WOULD TAKE OVER AND IT WAS EXPLAINED WHAT ROLE GHARAWI WOULD FILL.
- THE STRUCTURE OF THE SPECIAL GROUPS WILL CHANGE NOW THAT ABU HUSAYN (N1230A) HAS BEEN DETAINED.
- THEORIZED ABOUT THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON RAHIM AL-DURAJI.

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



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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: 28 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:

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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 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

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

CLAIMED NOT TO KNOW WHO "ZAKZAK" [REDACTED] 1.4c

[REDACTED] 1.4c IS NOR HAD HE HEARD OF A SAMIR UNTIL THE INTERROGATOR SAID DETAINEE'S BROTHER KNEW OF HIM AT WHICH POINT THE DETAINEE SUDDENLY REMEMBERED. HE SAID SAMIR WAS JUST SOME GUY WHO HELPED THEM LOOK FOR THEIR KIDNAPPED BROTHER FAYIQ.

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[REDACTED] 1.4c HE BELIEVES THE POSITIONS WOULD BE TAKEN OVER BY EITHER JALIL AL-NURI, ABBAS AL-KHUFU AND THERE IS AN OUTSIDE CHANCE THAT ABU SAJJAD AL-GHARAWI WOULD TAKE OVER THE ROLE. THE REASON IT WOULD NOT BE AL-GHARAWI IS BECAUSE AL-GHARAWI IS NOT REALLY A JAYSH AL-MAHDI MEMBER AND HAS TIES TO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. HE MIGHT SERVE AS A FACILITATOR TO THE GROUP AND PERFORM CERTAIN SERVICES SUCH AS SMUGGLING AND WEAPONS ACQUISITION. DETAINEE DOES NOT THINK THAT TABTABAN'I OR AL-KA'BI WILL TAKE OVER AS THEY ARE STILL AGAINST WORKING FOR MUQTADA AL-SADR (MAS). WHOEVER TAKES OVER THE POSITION WILL HAVE TO COME FROM JAM AND BE SOMEWHAT LOYAL TO MAS. MAS WILL DECIDE WHO TAKES OVER THE POSITION. AL-GHARAWI WILL SUPPORT WHOEVER WINDS UP IN THE OFFICIAL POSITION.

DETAINEE DID NOT KNOW SOMEBODY TAKING OVER THEIR POSITIONS WOULD AFFECT OPERATIONS TEMPO AND SAID THAT IT WOULD DEPEND ON THE SECURITY CRACKDOWN AND HOW SEVERE THAT IS. THERE WILL BE AN INCREASE IN OPERATIONS WHEN THE CRACKDOWN ENDS THOUGH AND HE GAVE THIS REASON: THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING TO IRAN TO ESCAPE THE SECURITY CRACKDOWN THAT IS HAPPENING NOW. ALL OF THESE PEOPLE ARE NOT hardcore fighters and some are just scared that they will be detained for no reason. Once they get to Iran, there is an aggressive recruiting push going on by the Iranians and they will soon be indoctrinated into the insurgent ideology. While hiding in Iran, these people will receive training and even though they went to Iran as low level fighters or sympathizers, they will come back well trained fighters and help create more groups. The idea is to create more groups so there will be less fallout when a group does get compromised.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE SPECIAL GROUPS, WHICH HAS GONE THROUGH MANY CHANGES IN THE PAST YEAR DUE TO THE INFLUENCE OF ABU HUSAYN (N1230A), IS GOING TO GO THROUGH MORE CHANGES NOW THAT ABU

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HUSAYN HAS BEEN DETAINED. HAJJI YUSIF WILL ASSUME THE WORST AND ASSUME THAT HUSAYN HAS GIVEN UP ALL INFORMATION AND YUSIF WILL MAKE CHANGES ACCORDINGLY. THEY WILL HAVE NEW ADVISORS AND EXPERTS TO HELP IN THIS. THEY WILL SEEK CONSULTATION FROM ABU SAJJAD AL-GHARAWI SINCE HE IS VERY WELL INFORMED AND HAS ACCESS TO MANY OF THE GROUPS IN IRAQ. HE HAS THE ABILITY TO CONTACT MANY PEOPLE IN IRAQ AND HAS THE ABILITY TO TAKE OVER DETAINEE'S POSITION.

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GHARAWI HAS A VERY GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH IRAN AND IS QUITE LOYAL TO THEM. DETAINEE HAS HEARD GOOD THINGS ABOUT GHARAWI'S PATRIOTISM TOWARDS IRAQ BUT DETAINEE DOES NOT FEEL ENTIRELY COMFORTABLE WITH PEOPLE LIKE GHARAWI WHO HAVE A DEEP HISTORY WITH IRAN. DETAINEE FEELS THAT GHARAWI MAY BE TELLING HIM ONE THING BUT THAT HIS TRUE LOYALTIES ARE WITH IRAN.

DETAINEE SAID THAT IT WAS ONLY THE SPECIAL GROUPS THAT WOULD SEE THE STRUCTURAL CHANGES AND NOT THE "OTHER GROUPS". WHEN ASKED WHAT THE "OTHER GROUPS" WERE, DETAINEE SAID "LIKE SHEIKH AZAR'S GROUP."

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DETAINEE HAD AN IDEA LAST YEAR THAT WOULD ALLOW DETAINEE TO ELIMINATE ROGUE ELEMENTS FOR COMMITTING ACTS THAT ARE NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SHARI'A LAW. DETAINEE WAS TRYING TO PRESENT THIS TO AYATOLLAH HA'IRI FOR RELIGIOUS JUSTIFICATION. DETAINEE WANTS TO ELIMINATE SHEIKH AZAR, ABU DURA, DIYA AL-HILFI, MUHAMMAD SHAKIR, MUHAMMAD AL-SAWUD AND OTHERS WHO HAVE TAKEN THE LAW INTO THEIR OWN HANDS. DETAINEE CLAIMS THE ERADICATION WILL BE DONE DISCREETLY SO AS NOT TO DRAW ATTENTION AND NOT TO HAVE DETAINEE JUDGED BY OTHERS AS ONE KILLING FELLOW SHIITES. DETAINEE WAS ASKED WHAT WOULD BE THE RAMIFICATIONS IF IRAN DOES NOT AGREE WITH HIS ACTIONS AND HE SAID IF HE BELIEVES IN SOMETHING, HE DOES NOT CARE WHAT OTHERS THINK. THIS WAS SPAWNED FROM DETAINEE'S FRIEND MUHAMMAD BEING KILLED AS A RESULT OF DETAINEE'S FALLOUT WITH JALIL AL-NURI. MUHAMMAD WAS AN INNOCENT PERSON WITH TWO KIDS

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AND HE WAS KILLED AS A WAY TO HURT DETAINEE. DETAINEE SWEARS REVENGE ON THE PEOPLE WHO DID THIS.

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1.4c IT IS NOT FOR SURE THAT JALIL AL-NURI HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON RAHIM AL-DURAJJI. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT RAHIM AL-DURAJJI WAS NOT THE TARGET OF THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT. IT COULD HAVE BEEN MUHAMMAD AL-FIRAJI, WHO IS THE PERSON KILLED. AL-FIRAJI WAS SUPPOSEDLY WORKING FOR SADDAM'S SECURITY BACK DURING THE REGIME. THERE WAS RUMOR THAT AL-FURAJI WAS FAKING HIS ALLEGIANCE TO THE SHI'A AND HAD HIS OWN AGENDA. DETAINEE SAID TO FIND OUT WHO WAS THE TARGET OF THE ASSASSINATION, LOOK AT THE AMOUNT OF BULLETS SHOT AT EACH MAN. WHOEVER HAD MORE BULLETS SHOT AT HIM, THIS WOULD BE THE TARGET. 1.4c

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~~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 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 (2007/04/28)

ENCL (U): NONE

DISSEM (U): FIELD – NONE

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

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