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GUANTANAMO DETAINEE FILE REVIEW

Detainee ISN: SA-063

Detainee Name	Mohammad Mani Ahmad al-Qahtani
Detainee Alias	<i>See Compendium</i>
Nationality	Saudi Arabian
Date of Birth	19 November 1975
Arrival at Guantanamo	February 2002

Mohammad Mani Ahmad al-Qahtani (SA-063) attempted to enter the US on 4 August 2001, after almost certainly having been selected by senior al-Qa'ida members to be the 20th hijacker for the 9/11 attacks. SA-063 probably understood that he was intended to be used as part of a suicide operation, but he was probably unaware of the specifics of the attack. He was denied entry to United States by Immigration and Naturalization Service officers who found the circumstances of his travel and his conduct to be suspicious. We assess that Qahtani remains focused on his release, reconnecting with his family, and receiving psychological care; however, he has not renounced extremism. We assess that he would be willing to mask his support for violent extremism if it would improve his transfer eligibility, based on reporting from Joint Task Force–Guantanamo (JTF-GTMO).