

1 CA: Attention all members, the Periodic Review Board will
2 commence momentarily. Please be advised that the audio and
3 video feed is now active. This periodic review board is
4 being conducted at 0909 hours on 15 October 2019, with regard
5 to the following detainee: Encep Nurjaman Hambali (ISN
6 10019). As a reminder, the unclassified portions of these
7 proceedings are being recorded for the purpose of generating
8 a transcript to be posted on the PRS website.
9 Representatives from the following agencies are present and
10 are members of the Board:
11 Department of Defense
12 Department of State
13 Department of Justice
14 Department of Homeland Security
15 Office of the Director of National Intelligence
16 and Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The
17 following personnel are also present:
18 Legal Advisor to the Board
19 Case Administrators
20 Personal Representatives
21 and the Security Officer
22 The detainee's Personal Representative, is located at the
23 detention facility, U.S. Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.
24 He is attending via video teleconference. The detainee has
25 chosen not to attend. This session is being observed by
26 foreign, national and local media; Foreign Government
27 Officials and Representatives from Non-Governmental
28 Organizations.
29 PM: This board is convened to determine whether continued law of
30 war detention is warranted for Encep Nurjaman Hambali (ISN
31 10019) to protect against the continuing significant threat
32 to the security of the United States. This session of the

33 hearing is unclassified. Personal Representative has the
34 detainee had a chance to review the unclassified Summary?

35 PR: Yes, Sir.

36 PM: Thank you. I will now read the unclassified Summary. Encep
37 Nurjaman, a.k.a Hambali (ISN 10019) was an operational
38 mastermind in the Southeast Asia-based extremist group Jemaah
39 Islamiyah (JI) and served as the main interface between JI
40 and al Qa'ida from 2000 until his capture in mid-2003.
41 Reputed in regional media as "the Usama bin Ladin of
42 Southeast Asia," he trained and fought in Afghanistan in the
43 mid-1980s, and subsequently participated in violent jihad
44 throughout Southeast Asia, including his lead role in
45 planning the 2002 bombing in Bali, Indonesia. Since arriving
46 in Guantanamo in 2006, Hambali has positioned himself as a
47 mentor to other High-Value Detainees (HVDs) and a hub for
48 news regarding their cases, even as he has grown pessimistic
49 about his own prospects for release. He remains very close
50 to his JI lieutenant Mohammed Basihr Bin Lap, a.k.a. Lillie
51 (ISN 10022) who was captured with Hambali, and with whom
52 Hambali shares cultural bonds. Does the Personal
53 Representative wish to make an unclassified opening statement
54 at this time?

55 PR: Yes, Sir.

56 PM: I would like to remind all participants that any information
57 shared at this time must be unclassified. If there is a
58 concern about the classification of the information, I will
59 indicate as such and will stop the proceedings until we
60 resolve this issue. Has the detainee had the opportunity to
61 review your statement?

62 PR: Yes, Sir.

63 PM: Okay, Personal Representative, please proceed.

64 PR: Members of the Board, thank you for this opportunity to
65 present this Full Review for Encep Nurjaman Hambali (ISN
66 10019). On advice from his Personal Counsel, Hambali is not
67 going to participate in today's hearing. Hambali continues
68 to refuse every meetings made with him since his last hearing
69 in April of 2019. Meetings were scheduled with Hamibali in
70 June 2019. And meetings that were scheduled in August and
71 September were cancelled due to operational limitations. I
72 will continue to schedule meetings and afford Hambali a
73 chance to meet in order to present information for his
74 upcoming PRB hearings. Therefore, were have no new
75 information to present to the Board at this time.

76 PM: Board Members may reserve questions until detainee and
77 witness statements have been presented in their entirety.
78 Does anyone have a question at this particular time?

79 PM: Okay, with no questions, this concluded this portion of the
80 hearing. I ask that all remain seated until further
81 instructed by the Case Administrator.

82 CA: *Inaudible.*

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1 CA: This Periodic Review Board is being conducted at 0912 hours
2 on 22 October 2019, with regard to the following detainee:
3 Muhammad Rahim (ISN 10029). As a reminder, the unclassified
4 portions of these proceedings are being recorded for the
5 purpose of generating a transcript to be posted on the PRS
6 website (*Followed by Pashtu translation*).

7 Representatives from the following agencies are present and
8 are members of the Board:

9 Department of Defense
10 Department of State
11 Department of Justice
12 Department of Homeland Security
13 Office of the Director of National Intelligence
14 and Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

15 The following personnel are also present:

16 Legal Advisor to the Board
17 Case Administrators
18 Personal Representative
19 (*Inaudible*) Translators
20 The detainee
21 and the Security Officer
22 (*Followed by Pashtu translation*)

23 The detainee's Personal Representative, the Private Counsel,
24 the detainee and one translator are located at the detention
25 facility, U.S. Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. They are
26 attending via video teleconference. The detainee and
27 translator (*Inaudible*) unclassified summary and Personal
28 Representatives (*Inaudible*). This documents will be posted
29 on the Periodic Review Secretariat website. This session is
30 being observed by foreign, national and local media; Foreign
31 Government Officials and Representatives from Non-
32 Governmental Organizations (*Followed by Pashtu translation*).

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33 PM: This board is convened to determine whether continued law of
34 war detention is warranted for Muhammad Rahim (ISN 10029),
35 to protect against the continuing significant threat to the
36 security of the United States. From here on forward we will
37 refer to the detainee as Muhammad. This session of the
38 hearing is unclassified *(Followed by Pashtu translation)*.

39 PM: Muhammad, this is Periodic Review Board to determine whether
40 continued law of war detention is warranted in your case.
41 Continued law of war detention will be warranted if it is
42 necessary to protect against a continuing significant threat
43 to the national security of the United States. The focus of
44 this hearing is on the threat you may pose to the United
45 States and its interests if transferred or released from U.S.
46 custody. It is not on the lawfulness of your detention
47 *(Followed by Pashtu translation)*.

48 PM: The Personal Representative and Private Counsels are your
49 representatives to assist you during this process. Finally,
50 the translators ensure that everyone understands your
51 statements and that you understand what is being said during
52 the hearing *((Followed by Pashtu translation)*.

53 PM: Personal Representative and Private Counsel, has the
54 detainee had an opportunity to review the unclassified
55 summary? *(Followed by Pashtu translation)*.

56 PR: Yes, Sir *(Followed by Pashtu translation)*.

57 PM: Thank you. I will now read the unclassified summary.
58 Muhammad Rahim (ISN 10029) served as a translator, courier,
59 facilitator, and operative for al-Qa'ida's senior leadership,
60 including Usama bin Ladin. He had advance knowledge of many
61 of al-Qa'ida's attacks, including the 11 September 2001
62 attacks, and progressed to financing, planning, and
63 participation in Taliban, al-Qa'ida, and other anti-Coalition

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64 group attacks in Afghanistan against U.S. and Coalition
65 targets. ((Followed by Pashtu translation)).

66 PM: Does the Personal Representative wish to make an opening
67 statement at this time? (Followed by Pashtu translation).

68 PR: Yes, Sir. (Followed by Pashtu translation).

69 PM: I would like to remind all participants that any information
70 shared at this time must be unclassified. If there is a
71 concern about the classification of the information, I will
72 indicate as such and will stop the proceedings until we
73 resolve the issue. Has the detainee has an opportunity to
74 review your statements? (Followed by Pashtu translation).

75 PR: Yes, Sir (Followed by Pashtu translation).

76 PM: Personal Representative, you may now please proceed.

77 PR: Members of the Board, thank you for the opportunity to
78 present this statement for the Subsequent File Review for
79 Muhammad Rahim (ISN 10029). Rahim last met with me on
80 November 6th 2018, but has refused all meetings scheduled
81 with him since. After his last File Review on April 10th,
82 meetings were scheduled with Rahim in June of 2019. Meetings
83 were also scheduled in August and September but were canceled
84 due to operational limitation. Despite only meeting with
85 Rahim a few times last year, I have been in constant contact
86 with his Private Counsel. Primarily the discussions with
87 Rahim's Private Counsel have been about Rahim's health. I
88 will continue to schedule meetings and afford Rahim a chance
89 to meet in order to present information for his upcoming PRB
90 hearings. Thank for this opportunity. I am standing by to
91 answer your questions.

92 PM: Okay, Board Members may reserve questions until detainee and
93 witness statements have been presented in their entirety.
94 Does anyone have a question at this particular time? With no
95 questions, this concluded this portion of the hearing. I ask

96 that all remain seated until further instructed by the Case
97 Administrator. (*Followed by Pashtu translation*).
98 CA: We will take a short recess to prepare for remaining
99 sessions.