

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

1 CA: This Periodic Review Board hearing is being conducted at
2 0908 hours on 15 February 2022, with regard to the
3 following detainee: Muhammad Rahim (ISN 10029). As a
4 reminder, the unclassified portion of these proceedings are
5 being recorded for the purpose of generating a transcript
6 to be posted on the PRS website.

7 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

8 CA: Representatives from the following agencies are present and
9 are members of the Board: Department of Defense,
10 Department of State, Department of Justice, Department of
11 Homeland Security, Office of the Director of National
12 Intelligence, and the Office of the Chairman of the Joint
13 Chiefs of Staff. The following personnel are also present:
14 Legal Advisor to the Board, Case Administrator, Personal
15 Representative, translators, the detainee, and the Security
16 Officer.

17 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

18 CA: The detainee's Personal Representative, the detainee, and
19 translator are located at the detention facility, U.S.
20 Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. They are attending via
21 video teleconference. The detainee has waived translation
22 of the unclassified summary and the Personal
23 Representative's statement. The unclassified summary has
24 been posted to the Periodic Review Secretariat website.

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

25 Foreign, national and local media, Foreign Government
26 Officials, and Representatives from Non-Governmental
27 Organizations may be observing this session.

28 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

29 PM: This Board is convened to determine whether continued law
30 of war detention is warranted for Muhammed Rahim (ISN
31 10029) to protect against a continuing significant threat
32 to the security of the United States. From here on forward,
33 we will refer to the detainee as Rahim. This session of the
34 hearing is unclassified.

35 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

36 PM: Rahim, this is your Periodic Review Board to determine
37 whether continued law of war detention is warranted in your
38 case. Continued law of war detention will be warranted if
39 it is necessary to protect against a continuing significant
40 threat to the security of the United States. The focus of
41 this hearing is on the threat you may pose to the United
42 States and its interests, if transferred or released from
43 U.S. custody. It is not on the lawfulness of your
44 detention.

45 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

46 PM: The Personal Representative is your representative to
47 assist you during the process. Finally, the translators

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

48 ensure that everyone understands your statements and that
49 you understand what is being said during the hearing.

50 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

51 PM: Personal Representative, has the detainee had an
52 opportunity to review the Unclassified Summary?

53 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

54 PR: Yes, Sir.

55 GTMO Translator: [Translates above]

56 PM: Thank you, I will now read the UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY:
57 Mohammed Rahim (ISN-10029) served as a translator, courier,
58 facilitator, and operative for Al-Qa'ida's senior
59 leadership, including Usama Bin Ladin. He had advanced
60 knowledge of the many of al-Qa'ida's attacks, including the
61 9/11 attacks and progressed to financing, planning, and
62 participating in Taliban, al-Qa'ida, and other anti-
63 coalition group attacks in Afghanistan against the US and
64 coalition targets. [Pause] Does the Personal Representative
65 wish to make an unclassified Opening Statement at this
66 time?

67 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

68 PR: Yes, Sir.

69 PM: I would like to remind all participants that any
70 information shared at this time must be unclassified. If

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

71 there is a concern about the classification of the
72 information, I will indicate as such and will stop the
73 proceedings until we resolve the issue. Has the detainee
74 had an opportunity to review your statement?

75 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

76 PR: Yes, Sir.

77 PM: Personal Representative, please proceed.

78 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

79 PR: Members of the Board. Thank you for the opportunity to
80 present this statement for [unintelligible] Muhammed Rahim
81 (ISN 10029). Rahim has been consistent in attending
82 meetings with me since notifying him of this hearing. Since
83 his last hearing, Rahim has brought on new counsel and I
84 have been in constant contact with them to discuss Rahim's
85 hearing. Rahim and his counsel are in agreement that they
86 will only answer questions looking forward and will
87 politely refuse to answer questions of his past activities
88 prior to his capture. Family members are waiting to provide
89 support Rahim and assist him in returning to a peaceful
90 life with his family. Besides his family, Rahim has the
91 support of leaders and elders. Finally, Rahim has been held
92 in Guantanamo for almost 14 years and it is time for him to
93 be released from Guantanamo Bay and reunited with his
94 family. Rahim and I are here to answer your questions.

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

95 PM: Board Members may reserve questions until detainee and
96 witness statements have been presented in their entirety.
97 However, does anyone have any questions at this time?
98 HQ: Translator: [Translates above]
99 PM: With no questions, this concludes this portion of the
100 hearing. I ask that all remain seated until further
101 instructed by the Case Administrator.
102 HQ Translator: [Translates above]
103 CA: We will take a short recess to prepare for the remaining
104 sessions. Time now 0917.
105 HQ Translator: [Translates above]

~~CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION~~

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR PUBLIC RELEASE