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[The detainee session for ISN 1045 opened at 0947, 18 August 2015.]

PM: Board members, remember that when the detainee makes any statements, those statements are presumed to be classified. All discussions or questions need to remain at the unclassified level.

Welcome back. Mr. Kamin, during this hearing you have an opportunity to make a personal statement or answer questions. You are not required to make a statement and you will not be compelled to answer questions. The choice of whether to make a statement or answer questions is up to you. Your representatives may assist you in deciding whether to make a statement or answer questions and may assist you in making a statement.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

PM: Do you understand my explanation of your opportunity to make a statement and answer questions?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 1: Yes. I understand.

TRANS 2: Yes. I understood.

PM: Thank you. Personal representatives and private counsel, does Mr. Kamin desire to make an oral or written statement?

PR 1: Yes, sir.

PM: Mr. Kamin, you may now make a statement to the Board.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

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DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I am Mohammed Kamin. I want to thank you for hearing my case today. I also want to thank my PR's, my PC and my translator. I am hoping by the end of today, you will see that I am not a significant threat to America and you will send me home. Before you can do that, I know you must know who I am.

I have a wife and a son in Afghanistan waiting for me. It is my hope to return home to be a part of my family so that I can be a good husband and father. I want to help my 65-year old father so he can retire from working. My village has petitioned for my release for many years and they have pledged to take responsibility and support for me upon my return. My family intends to support me in my plan to open a local market.

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I have looked back over my life while I have been in Guantanamo. I am human and I have made mistakes, but I try not to dwell on the past. Before I came to Guantanamo, I had a very wrong impression of what the U.S. forces were going to do in my country. When I was young, Russia invaded Afghanistan. Then, when the U.S. came into my country to get Osama Bin Laden, we were told that the Americans were going to remove the Quran from our schools, stop us attending our Mosques and other things to harm my people.

So, when I look back on my mindset before coming to

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Guantanamo, I know I had the wrong information.

I have learned a lot since that time. The U.S. did not come and not remove the Quran from our school or from or our Mosque. They didn't banned the people from Mosque.

The fear that I had about the U.S. did not occur and instead of occupying my country, I see they are helping to rebuild. I walk by the TV in my cell and I see so much of the destructions happening in Afghanistan and all the time it really bothers me. But, also I hear reports of more schools, hospitals and roads being opened. I want my son to have these opportunities in my country.

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: It is hard for me to explain to you how I am but I am a peaceful person who treats my fellow detainees and guards, both male and female, with respect. I am confident that if you take a closer look at my behavior while in detention, you will find that I did not change before this board, but have consistently shown respect for people without animosity or hate, throughout my time in Guantanamo. I want to return to my village which gives me support with my wife and son as he continues in school. I am sure it is hard to judge a person because [sic] upon meeting them for a few hours, but over eleven years, I have matured and my only wish is to return home to be a supportive son for my aging father while being a loving husband and father. I will not nor have any intentions whatsoever of

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being involved in any type of extremist group. I just want to lead my life in my village, making up for the memories I know I have missed. Will you please give me that chance today?

Honorable Board, thank for again for hearing my case.

PM: Thank you very much for that opening statement.

The Board members may have some questions for the detainee. He is not obligated to answer any questions posed by the Board members.

Personal representatives and private counsel, does Mr. Kamin want to answer the questions posed by the Board members today?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS: 2: Yes, I want to answer the questions.

PR 1: Yes, sir. Mr. Kamin does want to answer the questions posed by the Board members.

PM: Thank you. Then we'll proceed.

BM: All right, Mr. Kamin. Thank you for your participation in this hearing today. I wanted to ask you about your views of both the current government in Afghanistan and of the Taliban.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

[Translator one conferring with board member.]

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

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TRANS 2: Afghanistan is our legal government and its elected Afghan government, or Afghan candidates -- elected by Afghan people. And I pledge Afghan government and I want to be a part of the Afghan government.

[Translator two conferring with personal representative.]

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Taliban are part of Afghan people, a part of Afghanistan, and I want Taliban to come and make peace with Afghan government. And I want them to stop fighting and burning up Afghan people and Afghan houses.

BM: So would you -- if you were transferred back to Afghanistan would you break any ties that you might have had with the Taliban?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Yes. When I go back to Afghanistan, I will never have any connections, any contact with the Taliban. The only thing that I am going to do to [sic] be a responsible father, a responsible person for my village and for my family. And, by any means, for any reason, I don't want to see them at all. And I am not afraid and I am not scared of them at all.

BM: Thank you. I also wanted to ask about your relationship with the five former detainees who were transferred to Qatar. Were you, were you friends with them? Would you plan to maintain any

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contact with them if you were transferred?

TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: When I am released from here, I will do [sic] not have any contact with those five Talibans was released. Yes, when they were here because we were the same cell of the same area and as usual, I have contact with everybody just as a friend of the greetings. Without that, I did not have any personal contact with them. When I am going back, yes, I know them by name but I didn't know by their rank or by their responsibilities. When I go back home, I do not have contact with those five Taliban which released and also without other Taliban which is in the area. I just want to be responsible for my family, a good father for my son and a good husband for my wife. I do not have any intentions to be back with them or have any contact with them again.

BM: Thank you for that answer. I understand that in the -- enclosed in your -- if you were transferred back to your home. There is a fair amount of insurgent and extremist activity in that area. Are you concerned that the insurgents might try to recruit you into their fight and, if so, how would you resist their efforts to recruit you?

TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

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TRANS 2: As you mentioned that Afghan -- Khost is a heaven for the Talibans or for al-Q'aida. All over Afghanistan there is a war everywhere, south, east, north, there is fighting between Afghan's government and the Talibans or other groups. As I see on the TV, there is in Khost -- there is a lot of developments, a lot of improved. There is not like back when I was in Afghanistan in Khost Province.

In case it did come back to me in trying to regroup it back to the [UNINTELLIGIBLE], I will reject by any means. And I will tell them that it seems because of your correction that you came and guided me, and lead me to the wrong directions, and I spend my 12 years in a jail away from my family. How am I going to come back to you. I will reject them. If they still insist and pushing me to go with them, then I will report to the police or the government that these people are bothering me and they are trying to recruit me back. And I will going to be away from them.

BM: Thank you.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

BM: Good morning, Mr. Kamin. Can you tell us what former Guantanamo Bay detainees you are in contact with still?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

[Translator two conferring with detainee.]

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[Translator one conferring with board members.]

TRANS 2: While they were here, as I was still here I have a good relationship with all the prisoners because we're on the same block and the same cells. While they were here I was on regular basis that we are have a pray time, we was [sic] talking, but I do not have a specific friend or a specific person that I have a relations. Even if he were gone I do not have any contact. But in general when I'm in my cell, I have like a -- the usual like other people have friendship and talking just a daily or just simple talk, simple conversation, on a daily basis, but do not have any specific contact or specific talk or specific discussions with none of them.

BM: Can you give us some more information about your family; how many brothers you have where they live and things like that?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I have total 12 brothers and sisters where they're all living in the same house in the same village.

BM: And are most of them business owners? What do they do? Your brothers, in general?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: My two brothers, one of them have a mental issues does not work. And my other brothers he is just daily labor working

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outside to the markets. Sometimes we'll go to the farm and working as a farmer, but just like other people are [UNINTELLIGIBLE] for the young kids he has daily labors at the market.

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: And my other brothers they are underage. They are not at that age to go out to work outside. And also my sisters, they're also underage.

BM: Good morning Mr. Kamin, I also want to thank you for your participation today.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

BM: Your personal representative, your personal representatives said that you regret having made certain mistakes in the past. What are the mistakes that you regret having made?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: The thing that I had in the past was a friendship with bad people where they miss, they lead me in the wrong direction. That was the big mistake that I did in the past.

BM: And your personal representative also said that you have changed. How do you feel you have changed? In what ways?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Yeah, this is a big change for me. Since I'm came to

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Guantanamo. Guantanamo is just for me like a school. I learn a lot and it's changed my life. Before when I was, before coming to Guantanamo I was just blind. I didn't see anything. When I came here, Guantanamo opened my eyes and open my ear as well. I learned a lot and the thing that I learned -- I heard back home about Americans and when I came here and see personally and physically Americans the thing that were told us completely wrong. Nothing the thing that told me I didn't see anything at all. The people here, the soldiers, the officers, they are very friendly, very kind, and I learned and I saw that human way of living among these Americans which is in Guantanamo. So that is the big difference, the big changes which I see in myself.

BM: I didn't see this in the materials that your counsel and representatives submitted, but have you taken any of the courses at Guantanamo?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Yes, I wanted to get courses to learn other subjects. Back in 2005 when I had the interrogators, [REDACTED] in 2005. I asked him and I told him that I heard that you guys provided teacher for Arabic detainees and I want to learn English. So he said that I'm going to teach you English. He just learned him a few words of the alphabet, and I told him the alphabet is not the entire

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language. Then he looked to me and said in a very bad tone, "Kamin, this is Guantanamo, this is not madrasah, it is not a school." And after that he was scared and zipped his mouth and didn't say anything. When Obama came, the Obama administrations, again they are running out of teachers to Guantanamo. And I also again asked him if I can get a teacher for a language teacher. They brought a teacher. He was a good teacher, but he was very [UNINTELLIGIBLE] speaker and I did not understand Dari. But he didn't understand Pashtu. I asked my officer says, "Okay, he is a good teacher" but we cannot understand each other because he speaks Farsi or Dari and I speak Pashtu. Then they send another teacher. The other teacher was came he was a good Pashtu teacher, but not good English teacher. And also we had a problem. And the third one we got all the teacher when she was a good English teacher, was speak it very good but not good English because he grew up an American. He couldn't speak very well Pashtu. So I see that there is a lot of problem why I should ask them again, because they cannot find the person the way that he can understand me or I can understand him. So for that reason I just give up and I don't ask for any other teachers.

BM: Thank you.

PR 1: Sir?

BM: Yes?

PR 1: Can I also add something? I do want to also point out

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that Kamin values education very much. He spoke often about his son going to school. And we didn't actually talk to him. When we prepare for boards, we talk to him about, you know, say he does have a daughter, and he actually planned, and he does have a daughter, to send her to school, which you know, often times in the Muslim religion the daughter -- girls don't actually go to school. And he wants his daughter to go to school, as well as his wife, even to go to school. So he definitely values education. So I do want to point out that.

BM: Thank you.

BM: Could you tell me the name of your tribe, and describe them a bit for me so I can, I can know, I can know more about them?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Afghanistan focus on a tribe. There is a lot of tribes in Afghanistan and Khost we offer a lot of tribes, big tribes. The tribe I belong to called Zadran. And among Zadran we have a -- there is a few other branch that is called Janikhail that out of [UNINTELLIGIBLE] but the main root of my tribe is Zadran and Janikhail as a subtribe of that tribe. And Janikhail tribe they live in a village is called Palosai, which is in Khost province. One of small village in the Khost.

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

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TRANS 2: And you're asking what kind of information -- which kind of a [UNINTELLIGIBLE] you want about my client?

BM: Who was in charge of the tribe? How does it govern?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

[Translator two conferring with detainee.]

TRANS 2: My tribe, I do not have a specific leader, because our tribe is going based on councils, and the council there is 20 of them. And most of them are businesspeople that work in the business, and I am talking about 13 or 11 years ago. By now I do not know where are they and what kind of businesses they have, but what I'm talking is about 11 years past I'm talking. But right now, I don't know where are these people and what are they doing.

BM: Do you have any information about your tribe's relationship with the Taliban and al-Q'aida and how they interact with them?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Since I'm here I do not have any contact with -- since I -- the only people that I will contact is my family. When I'm asking my father he said that Khost is now is totally different. It's improved and there's not Taliban's and there's no enemy relations.

Contact between the tribe and the Taliban either with me

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and my father do not have any information about that. Either they have a contact or not. But what I see here and based on TV and Khost, they got a lot of improvement, a lot of development is completely as a new city right now. If there is any connections between Talibans and our leader, I'm sure this improvement and development that I see in my country, in my town are not going to be happen because if they have connection with the Talibans why they are going to build or improve my town. Based on that one, I can say that there is no relations between my tribe and with the Taliban or al-Q'aida.

BM: What does your father and the rest of your family think about the Taliban and al-Q'aida?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: As far as I know, my father and all of the time when I'm talking with him, he is the kind of person that he is a open-minded person and he is against those Talibans. Now and also before. Especially now because they took me -- the Talibans took my life on them away and put me here for 12 years. I definitely say that my father is hate and against those Talibans. And all the time a lot of my dad, and my father [sic] was all the time when he's praying all the time that one day camps are going to come back in peace. There is no fight, there's no destructions or there's no parties again in

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this country. Based on these things that I am saying, I say that my father do not have any apology view to the Talibans and that he hates the Talibans.

BM: What is your father's view of the Afghan government?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Based on our conversation that I am talking sometime with my father through Skype or through the phone. First, he was just telling about the family's and our daily businesses among the family and when I ask him how is back home, he say that, "Son, the country is getting -- every day is getting improved and there's a lot of developments in the country. There is a lot of schools open in the village and area. So, he has not really involved with the government, but he likes the improvement -- the way that the government is running the country. The thing that he's telling me based on the improvement and the development, to my understanding that he is of the government, because he likes the government. When he sees these constructions in the country.

BM: Has your father ever expressed any of his thoughts about the U.S. Military being present in Afghanistan?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: My father is a very peaceful person, we never talk on

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the phone and he never mention about the U.S. forces presence in Afghanistan; but, the only thing that he all the time saying is that I am praying for peace to return to this country. And we never talk about the U.S. presence, and the one thing he is mentioning is peace and pray.

BM: What do you think about the U.S. Military's presence in Afghanistan still?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

Trans 2: Afghanistan's government is a very poor and very incapable to run the country. Afghan people lack in government, they want U.S. to be present in Afghanistan. Without their support Afghan government cannot run the country. The parliament leaders they are representing Afghan people. They signed the agreement with the United States based on the Afghan people, so when parliament and the Afghan people they are agreed, I am a simple person and definitely supporting presence of U.S. forces in Afghanistan and I want them to be in Afghanistan.

BM: Thank you very much for your participation. Your participation in these type of hearings are important for us to be able to better evaluate you and how we think you could be able to acclimate if you were sent back to Afghanistan or another country.

So you had indicated that you were misinformed when you

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were younger and you were told these different things about the United States and what their purposes were there. Who was it that misinformed you?

TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

[Translator two conferring with the detainee.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: The people that wish to mislead me they were Afghan people and when I was contacted the first time they were Afghan people. And I am really happy that I been captured and detained here otherwise my life was very danger and I will make a lot of destruction for other people as well. As I mentioned in my statement too, people are human make a mistake you are not a complete person, so I was one of them and I made a mistake and I learned a lot from my mistake. And I hope that these kind of mistake which I did is not going to happen for any reason in the future at all.

BM: Thank you. When you went to the fight, was that in support of Jihad?

TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: As I mentioned that when they mislead me, they recruited me, I was young and also uneducated. They were told me a lot bad things when they were telling me that Americans were more

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worse than Russians. So, that's why I accompanied them. But, thanks God that I have been captured. During the time that I was with them I saw more worse and bad things what I saw it over here. The things that I saw over there, with them, I never see at all when I got back here.

BM: Did you----

PC: Tell us a little bit of some specifics about----

BM: Thank you; no continue counsel.

PC: Sorry, um he talked to us a little bit in some specifics about what he had been told about what Americans were like and what he learned about Americans being in a prison camp.

TRANS 2: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: When I was captured and brought, captured by government, and they brought me to Khost airport there was evening time when they called for evening pray and the Army officers they came in to us and said it was a pray time. And I looked myself, they told me, the Afghan government or the soldier, they are not praying. But how they call us for pray, that was one strike. Okay they are also Muslim too, they pray too the same way that I do. Then they transfer me from Khost airport to Bagram, when I got in Bagram and the detention facility they also provide us the Quran and they also giving us a time for five days pray, then when I looked over there

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and said "okay that was an Afghan government airport, now I am in an American detention facility, they're American which is completely, they are not Muslim but they are still respecting our religion. They give us a time they give us a plan to practice our religion. How these things have happened, the Taliban told me is totally different from what I practice right now, from what I see right now, physically. And, the same situation when I transfer from Bagram detention facility to here, the same situation I saw over here as well. Said Okay, now I am in totally different part of the world which is not Muslim, almost none of them, but still they are respecting. They giving me Quran, they give me a chance to practice my religion, but how the Taliban they told us that the Americans are worse and they are here to destroy our religion but they give us respect for religion, it is totally different. Thank that I am here, thank that I am captured, and now I know which kind of person I am and which kind of person are those people that our encouraging other people in giving their life.

BM: Do you have any explanation of why there would be a difference between the Taliban versus the Americans? With respect to what you were just talking about.

[Translator one conferring with board member.]

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

TRANS 2: I'm sorry, I think there was a misunderstanding. The

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Taliban told that the Americans do not allowing Afghans people to do their religion practice. There was Taliban told to them that "if the American came to the country, they are going to destroy our religion." But, what I got in Guantanamo, and in Bagram, which is controlling by Americans. That America was giving us opportunity to practice our religion.

BM: Okay. Okay, I understand. Thank you.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

BM: So, when you decided that, in your following this misguided direction, you decided that you were going to go the fight, did you talk to anybody in your tribe before you left and what did they counsel?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: No, I didn't contact, I didn't pass information to my family. None of the family member, they didn't know what I am doing and where I am going.

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Even none of the village people they were not involved in my determination to leave the [UNINTELLIGIBLE] that I am going to do what.

BM: Has your understanding of Jihad evolved since you were a young man to now after your time at Guantanamo?

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TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

[Translator two conferring with detainee.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: People are making different definitions of Jihad, but Jihad to my own person respective is the struggle to find a good income in the right way to support your family, to be a good person for your family and for your village. That is Jihad to me. Jihad means the struggling for the good life and respect to the parents, that is Jihad. But, the people which is going by name of Jihad is bringing other people by of Jihad is totally different than Jihad that I see.

BM: So then, what is your perspective on ISIS or ISIL and the methods that they are currently following?

TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: ISIS is not a group of human, they are just torture, they know how to torture people, how to behead people, and how to destroy a religion. They are ISIS is a distraction of the religion not of the sections of the religion. They are here, they are destroying mosques, they blow up bombs in a mosque. If they are representing Islam, this is not Islam way. If they calling them muslim, how they blow up a bomb in a mosque? So, to me they are a

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group of people that not representing any kind of religion or any kind of humans in this world.

BM: Last question. If someone, if a young man were to come to you from your village, and say to you that he was considering to go to Syria, to fight, how would you counsel him?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I would ask him to give me time to think about it and come tomorrow, would give you advice. And by that time that I am asking him, I am going to report to the government. That this person has mislead and you want to go to fight somewhere else and he is going to destroy his life and some other people. So it is better to capture him before he is going to implement the actions.

BM: Okay. Thank you very much.

PM: Mr. Kamin, if we decide to send you back to Afghanistan and you're reacquainted with your son, I'm sure the first question that your son's going to ask you is "father, why did you leave your family for the last 12 years?" What will be your response?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I will send my son to school and I will encourage him to attend the school, and I will tell him I am going to forever, by any means, for good and for the entire life I am going to be stay

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with you. It is hard to say why I was away from here.

PM: But can you tell me, are you going to explain to him why you were away for the last 12 years?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I will tell him that I was young and uneducated. Didn't see anything and a few followers, a few friends, they mislead me and guide me in the wrong directions. I listened to them and that listen is abandoned me for you to be with for the last 12 years.

PM: Okay, thank you. Your tribal members are obviously going to want to find out from you how you were treated at Guantanamo. What will be your response to your tribal members?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I will tell them that the things that you guys have heard about Guantanamo is totally different. The people over there were well respect to us and also to our religion as well. I saw a lot of friendship among them and every week doctor and nurse were coming and asking about our health and they were concerned with our health issue a lot. And if we had any health problem, right away they were treating us. And they were treating us as a human, as a person. And I really learned a lot and I learned my friendship way of living from the Americans from the soldiers in the prison

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facility. I will tell them that the things you heard about Guantanamo is totally different from the things I saw physically and I spent my life with you.

PM: Thank you. When you go back to Afghanistan you said that you were going to take over your father's business and allow him to retire. Can you explain a little bit more detail what that business will entail?

TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

[Translator two conferring with detainee.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: My father when I was there, he had a grocery shop which was mostly selling vegetables, local vegetables, so as I heard that he did not have that shop anymore. Now, he is working as a farmer on some other people property. So, when I go back I am going to reopen that shop back as a grocery store and helping for that one.

PM: Thank you.

BM: Mr. Kamin how would you feel about being resettled somewhere besides Afghanistan?

[Translator one conferring with board member.]

TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: I am Afghan and my family live in Afghanistan, I want

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to go back to Afghanistan. As I mentioned, I do not have any problem with Afghan government and Afghan people. So, if I do not have any problem, why should I not go back to Afghanistan where is my family is there. If you will not sending me in Afghanistan, or any other places where you want to send me, I am ready to go. But, I prefer to go back home and my village and my country.

BM: I was wondering if you could speak any more about your son. How old is he now and is he in school?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: My son now he is 13-years-old. He is going to school, he is going in morning and coming back in the afternoon. So, he is attending right now the school in the village.

BM: What are your goals for his life?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I want him a person to serve the country, to serve the society.

BM: Lastly I wanted to ask you about something that both your personal representative and private counsel remarked on. And, they both said you were very respectful towards women. I was wondering if this a view that you have always had or if your views of women have changed since you have been in Guantanamo.

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TRANS 1: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: Yes, that feeling I had, but not presented in Afghanistan. But when I came here I learned a lot of things. I saw men and women working together as a team, so when I saw them I learned from them how to respect, how to treat man and woman. I learned it here in Guantanamo.

BM: Thank you.

PC: He told us some interesting things about, sorry, about even relationships between men and women in marriage that I thought the board might like to hear.

TRANS 2: [Translation of above.]

DET: [Speaking in Pashtu.]

TRANS 2: Afghanistan that is a country that based on the traditions and marriage side I had an arranged marriage between my parents. When I got married I was five years old and my wife was three years old and when I grew up I told my dad that I'm not going to get married. My dad said you cannot ignore it you have to marry this girl that I mentioned cause she is your cousin. So this is also as if I stand in front of my dad to reject, it is disrespect to my parents. So I accepted. But even, still we didn't like each other. We didn't know. And love at that time for me doesn't make any sense, I didn't know what is love means. When I came here as a prisoner in

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Guantanamo, based on DVDs, based on American's movies, and also our culture, American culture and Afghan culture is totally different culture, we cannot adjust it by any means. Even Afghanistan for many many years that Americans stay there but the culture is not going to be quickly changed. But when I came here and I saw the Americans ladies, the Americans men work together, and also based on the movies that they are providing, the officers they bring me DVDs and movies and then I watch them. Based on those movies, I learned what is love means to me and what is love means to the family. So, now every day that when I'm thinking about my wife, I get this feeling of love to the families. When I go back home, I totally be a different Kamin to my wife as well.

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Even sometime, especially in the afternoons there's a lot of pigeons that come to the cell, to the blocks, and we feed them. And often they fell and they go inside, female and male, they were kissing each other they were patting each other. Say okay, even these pigeons are more, they felt the love, they are more smarter than me. Because the time when I was with my family, I didn't know how to treat my wife.

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: I know that I didn't get any taste of life when I was there. When I go back and I know how to live with my family.

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BM: Thank you very much.

PM: That concludes the questions for you from the board members Mr. Kamin. Normally written statements presented by the detainee to the Board and a transcript of the detainee's participation at the hearing are posted on the Periodic Review Secretariat's website. Do you wish to have your written statement and/or transcript of your participation at the hearing posted to this website?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

[Translator two conferring with detainee.]

TRANS 2: Yes, yes, I agree to present on the website.

PM: Okay, thank you very much.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

PM: Personal representative and private counsel, do you have any final questions for Mr. Kamin?

[Private counsel conferring with personal representative one and personal representative two.]

PR 1: No, sir.

PC: I do not. Thanks.

PM: Mr. Kamin, do you have anything further that you wish to say to the board?

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Yes, only I want to say the 12 years or 11 years that

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I spent in Guantanamo, it was a good school for me. I learned and I changed, I am not the Kamin of when I was 11 years in the past. I am totally new Kamin. And I am asking you respectfully to release me and send me back to my village and to my home, to spend my rest of life with my family.

PM: Thank you very much for that. Mr. Kamin, this concludes your participation in this hearing. The Board will continue in a classified session and your personal representatives and private counsel will remain and attend the classified session and will continue to advocate on your behalf.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

DET: **[Speaking in Pashtu.]**

TRANS 2: Thank you very much for all of you for reviewing my case and thanks again for being today here.

PM: The Board will deliberate to determine whether continued law of war detention is warranted in your case. Your personal representative will advise you of the results.

TRANS 1: **[Translation of above.]**

PM: Request that all members remain seated until further instructed by the case administrator.

CA: We'll take a 15-minute recess and prepare for the remaining session.

PM: Thank you very much.

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[The detainee session closed at 1106, 18 August 2015.]

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BM: BOARD MEMBER

DET: DETAINEE

PC: PRIVATE COUNSEL

PM: PRESIDING MEMBER

PR 1: PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE ONE

PR 2: PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE TWO

TRANS 1: TRANSLATOR ONE (LOCATED AT PRS HQ)

TRANS 2: TRANSLATOR TWO (LOCATED AT GUANTANAMO BAY)