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GUANTANAMO DETAINEE FILE REVIEW

Detainee ISN: SA-1456

Detainee Name	Hassan Muhammad Salih bin Attash
Detainee Aliases	Umayr; Umayr al-Gharib; Mughayrah; Hasan al-Dini
Nationality	Saudi or Yemeni
Date of Birth	1982
Arrival at Guantanamo	September 2004

Hasan Muhammad Salih bin Attash (SA-1456) served as a facilitator and explosives specialist for al-Qa'ida in the early 2000s. He grew up immersed in violent extremist ideology, coming from a family closely associated with Usama Bin Ladin. Attash was an aide to several senior al-Qa'ida members; helping run safehouses, facilitating fighters, and completing errands. He also supported numerous plots against US and Western targets in Afghanistan, Pakistan, the Middle East, and North Africa. He was skilled in bombmaking and contributed to al-Qa'ida's explosives activities and capabilities. Attash was arrested in an al-Qa'ida safehouse with senior al-Qa'ida operative and 9/11 operational coordinator Ramzi bin al-Shibh (YM-10013) in September 2002. We assess that, Attash has continued to be deceptive about his past terrorist activities and has made conflicting statements that indicate both support for and repudiation of extremist activities, probably to increase his chances for release. Attash is a moderately compliant detainee who remains focused on repatriation to Saudi Arabia. We have not observed new terrorist connections but previously assessed that Attash's family has prominent terrorist connections.