

PERIODIC REVIEW BOARD INITIAL HEARING, 01 MAR 2016  
**SUHAYL ABDUL ANAM AL SHARABI, ISN 569**  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OPENING STATEMENT

Members of the Board, we are the personal representatives for Suhayl Abduh Anam al Sharabi. Suhayl was extremely happy, when we made our initial visit to notify him of his entry into the Periodic Review Board process, and we were pleasantly surprised to see that Suhayl was very cooperative and receptive to meet with us. Indeed, he was anxious to get to know us and to tell his story. During our first meeting he explained his background, his childhood, his family and the future he hopes to have.

As is the case in many families in his village, Suhayl comes from a large family. His father and mother are both still alive and miss him terribly. He has three brothers that have started their own families and are productive members of society. Suhayl has three sisters that are married with their own families as well. They live peacefully in the same village and wish to stay together. Suhayl's family places a high value on respect and the golden rule of treating each other as they would like to be treated. Together they are ready to welcome him back and move forward with him.

One of Suhayl's passions is sports; in particular, he enjoys playing and watching soccer. He aspires to become a sports administrator for a soccer team someday. In the meantime, he continually follows and supports the Brazilian National Team, and he spends his time with other detainees discussing sports and of course, his team's chances of winning the World Cup.

Since his time in Guantanamo, Suhayl has come to believe strongly in mutual respect. His fellow detainees would attest to this fact. He deeply desires to reunite with his family and to start one of his own. In terms of the conflicts in his homeland, he is saddened about the attacks and that innocent people are caught up in such terrible strife. He wishes to stay out of any and all conflicts. In fact, he wishes to stay out of other people's business and to focus on his own well being and future. Suhayl has not expressed any ill will or anger about his detention at Guantanamo, and he has expressed the great sadness that has happened to his family. While Suhayl would prefer to be transferred to an Arabic Speaking country, it is not necessary. Suhayl is willing to take part in a rehabilitation program and wants to make it perfectly clear to the Board that he is not a threat to the United States. Suhayl looks forward to answering your questions.