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GUANTANAMO DETAINEE PROFILE

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Detainee Name:	Omar Khalif Mohammed Abu Baker Mahjour Umar
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Detainee Aliases:	Abu Aysha; Abu Omar al-Libby; Abu Omar al-Libi; Abu Umar al-Libi; Omar al-Libby; Omar al-Libi; Omar Khalifa; Omar Khalifa Mohammed Abu Bakr; Omer al-Libi; Umar al-Libi; Umar Khalifa Muhammad Abu Bakr Mahjoub
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Nationality:	Libyan
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Date of Birth:	1972
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Arrival at Guantanamo:	5 August 2002
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Omar Khalif Mohammed Abu Baker Mahjour Umar (LY-695) was a senior member of the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG)^A who associated closely with al-Qa'ida before his detention. In the mid-1990s, he traveled to Sudan, where he worked for a company owned by Usama bin Ladin. He later relocated —probably with Bin Ladin in 1995— to Afghanistan, where he probably trained other extremists and fought against the Northern Alliance and US forces.

- LY-695 underwent extremist training in Libya, Sudan, and Afghanistan before emerging as a trainer in military skills, including explosives use, at LIFG and al-Qa'ida camps. He has knowledge of both groups' training curricula and practices.
- LY-695 worked closely with al-Qa'ida, and he developed relationships with the group's senior leaders while he was in Sudan and Afghanistan, but there is limited information suggesting he formally joined the group. Pakistani security forces detained him in March 2002 at a safehouse run by senior al-Qa'ida figure Abu Zubaydah.

LY-695 has been moderately compliant with the guard staff relative to other detainees at Guantanamo and has committed few serious infractions since 2007.

LY-695 has expressed few aspirations for life after Guantanamo to JTF-GTMO interviewers, mostly focused on nonextremist goals, but he probably sympathizes with extremist causes and has capabilities that would enable him to operate effectively as a terrorist trainer.

- Since Qadhafi's death in 2011, LY-695 has expressed some interest in returning to Libya because he no longer felt like he would be persecuted by the Libyan Government. In 2014, however, he said that he no longer wanted to be repatriated to Libya, probably because of the instability there.
- LY-695 has made statements that suggest he harbors extremist sentiment and has shared knowledge that highlights his ability to resume training terrorists if he chose to reengage.

^A LIFG was designated by the US State Department as a Foreign Terrorist Organization in December 2004. The group focused on overthrowing the Libyan government and was also closely associated with al-Qa'ida. LIFG disbanded in 2010.

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There are no indications that he is in direct contact with any terrorists outside Guantanamo, but he has attempted to relay greetings to several Libyan former detainees, including one who has emerged as an extremist leader and would be well-positioned to facilitate LY-695's reengagement should he wish to rejoin the fight. He also probably would be able to use his past connections to the LIFG to reinitiate contact with extremists in Libya.

If repatriated to Libya, LY-695 probably would seek out his remaining family members in his hometown of al-Bayda, which is situated between Darnah and Benghazi, areas where extremists operate freely. The Libyan Government has been unable to combat terrorism effectively since the revolution in 2011. Large areas of the country—including the region where LY-695 was born—are only loosely governed, enabling a broad range of terrorist groups to establish footholds.