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On September 24, 2002, [redacted] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] CITF, (NCIS) and SA [redacted] CITF (NCIS) at Camp Delta, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The interview was conducted in Pashtu, with [redacted] Linquistic Cell, CTF 170, furnishing translation from English [redacted]. At the beginning of the interview, SA [redacted] advised [redacted] that this interview was a continuation of the interview conducted on 20Sep02 (see FD-302 dated 20Sep02). [redacted] voluntarily provided the following information:

[redacted] said that except for his having been conscripted to serve, neither he nor any other family members were supporters of the Taliban. [redacted] stated that he is not familiar with Al-Qaeda. [redacted] stated that he has never seen OSAMA BIN LADEN and has only heard about him from listening to the BBC on the radio. [redacted] stated he is not familiar with what Osama bin Laden has done, however if the world says he is bad, then he must be bad.

[redacted] has never seen and does not know MULLAH OMAR. [redacted] opinion of OMAR is the same as that of Osama bin Laden.

[redacted] provided the names of the Taliban leaders (that he knew of) in his village:

[redacted] leader of the squad to which [redacted] was assigned after his conscription

[redacted] a commander/leader on the front line facing the Northern Alliance. [redacted] never saw [redacted] and only heard people say he was a leader up on the front line.

[redacted] Commander/leader of Taliban in the [redacted] district [redacted] Province). [redacted] reported directly to MULLAH OMAR.

[redacted] advised that none of these individuals are at Camp Delta, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. [redacted] stated these were all high level people and when the fighting started they ran.

[redacted] described his Taliban conscription in the following manner: [redacted] members of the Taliban went to the village representatives [redacted] to conscript people to serve for one month in the Taliban forces. [redacted] were not Taliban members. [redacted] explained that the Taliban would routinely go to that family to get people for conscripted service. Every year different families would be forced to send male members of their family to serve a one month tour of duty with the Taliban. The only way to avoid service in the Taliban was to pay a fee of 50,000 Afghanee, which was less than one U.S. dollar. Prior to this period of conscription, [redacted] had never before been forced to serve in the Taliban.

Once [redacted] was notified that he was conscripted, he went, the next day, to [redacted] District, where he reported to the Taliban [redacted]

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though he was treated like an Arab because American soldiers were pushing/shoving him around, sitting on him, using harsh language (interpreter indicated that [redacted] probably meant the tone of the voice), and the handcuffs were squeezing the wrist bone. Since [redacted] has been in Cuba, he said that he has been treated very well and has had no problems.

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[redacted] advised that during his various detention periods, to include his time at Camp Delta, he has not heard anyone mention that they were affiliated with the Taliban or Al-Qaeda. [redacted] does not know if anyone was paid when he was turned over to the Americans.

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[redacted] was shown photos from the photo books and identified the following individuals:

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GTMO Photo Book #24: no detainees recognized.

GTMO Photo Book #28: recognized [redacted] as the old man [redacted] no other detainees recognized.

Jun02 Chalks Photo Book:

[redacted] just moved to his block [redacted] located in [redacted] has not heard anything about this DP.

[redacted] same block, [redacted] heard this was [redacted]

[redacted] recognizes from block; never talked to DP.

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[redacted] located [redacted] acknowledges DP via greetings. Knows DP's name is [redacted]

[redacted] in same block; never talked to DP.

[redacted] in same block; never talked to DP.

[redacted] knows DP as [redacted] from the Bamyan prison. [redacted]

[redacted] knows DP as [redacted] Same story as [redacted]

[redacted] Held prisoner in Bamyan; one of the last to be bought into holding cell (last of 27).

[redacted] Arrested with [redacted] Does not know in which block DP is located. Has not talked to this person since being held prisoner with him in Bamyan.

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[REDACTED] stated that American forces likely know where this post was located. [REDACTED] stated that he did not receive any type of training while he served with the Taliban. [REDACTED] was the commander of the squad to which he was assigned, however he was never around the post very much. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that he never once fired his weapon. [REDACTED] he was armed with one Kalashnikov rifle and one magazine holding a total of 30 rounds. There were no other weapons at the post except for eight other Kalashnikov rifles. [REDACTED] never saw any foreigners (i.e. Arabs, Pakistani's, etc.) at the post. [REDACTED] recalled the following people were at the post with him: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Neither of these two individuals are at Camp Delta and [REDACTED] does not know what happened to them. [REDACTED] recalled being told that [REDACTED] a Taliban commander had gone to meet the Northern Alliance with hopes of making a surrender deal for both his people and himself. [REDACTED] subsequently heard that [REDACTED] had fled to save himself. Shortly after hearing that the Taliban fell, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] During the detainment period, [REDACTED] advised that they were treated harshly. Periodically the prisoners would be brought out to be beaten and often they were not fed.

[REDACTED] stated that when they were placed into the makeshift prison in Bamyān, the prisoners were under the overall control of [REDACTED] a senior official with the Northern Alliance. [REDACTED] advised that while incarcerated, he and the other prisoners went through simple interrogations before being turned over to the immediate custody of [REDACTED] their jailor inside the prison. During this period, the prisoners were beaten with the butts of rifles and endured several more interrogations. After [REDACTED] finished with them, [REDACTED] and his fellow prisoners were turned over to [REDACTED] another Northern Alliance commander. During the transfer process from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] and his fellow prisoners stayed inside the same prison and simply switched rooms or buildings. While under the custody of [REDACTED] said his hands and feet were tied and he was placed in a large room with other people. The total number of people in the room was fourteen. Approximately two days after being held by [REDACTED] other prisoners were placed in the room with him bringing the total to 27 men held. [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] would periodically bring money, food, and toiletries to the prisoners.

While being held prisoner at Bamyān, [REDACTED] saw Americans a few times. On one occasion he noticed American people taking pictures and others who appeared to be journalists taking pictures. The last time the Americans came to the prison, [REDACTED] stated they took hair samples, saliva samples, and interviewed/interrogated the prisoners. During this visit, one of the interpreters started talking to [REDACTED] and before he could finish telling how he had been conscripted into Taliban service, he was told to be quiet and to go sit in a corner. [REDACTED] opined that the interpreter, who spoke [REDACTED] did not fully understand what [REDACTED] who speaks [REDACTED] was trying to tell him. [REDACTED] stated that some of his fellow prisoners were let go, but he was sent from Bamyān to Baghram, where he was put into American custody.

[REDACTED] said that after being held for a time at Baghram, he went to Kandahar where he was placed on an airplane and brought to Cuba. [REDACTED] stated that he has never been severely mistreated while in American custody, however, in Baghram the handcuffs were placed on his hands too tightly. In Kandahar, [REDACTED] stated that he felt as

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[redacted] Held prisoner in Bamyan with him.

[redacted] Saw DP in prison in Kandahar; [redacted] knows DP is from [redacted] Never knew DP
prior to capture. [redacted]

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