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On 3/28/2003, [redacted]

[redacted] was interviewed at Camp Delta, U.S. Naval Base, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. [redacted] translation services were provided by a military linguist.

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[redacted] advised the interviewing agent that he was in good medical health and had been treated well.

The purpose of this interview was to build rapport with this detainee. As a result, no investigative information was obtained.

Detainee [redacted] stated that the treatment of the Koran continued to be the reason for his unwillingness to cooperate.

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[redacted] was asked how the mistreatment of the Koran had taken place. [redacted] stated that the issue continued to be based on what the detainees perceived as the use of the Koran as a weapon. It was taken from them and returned at will, with little consideration for the value which they placed in the book.

[redacted] was asked if he had ever seen the Koran mistreated or intentionally mishandled. He had not. [redacted] was asked if he had ever seen the Koran thrown around, tossed on the ground or mistreated in any way. He had not. [redacted] added that, should any of these have occurred, he and the brothers would have given their lives protecting it. [redacted] was asked again, if he had ever seen this occur in the camp at any time. [redacted] replied that he had not.

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[redacted] was informed that his case for the proper treatment of the Koran had been taken to higher levels and presented as a serious issue. The effort had been hurt, however, because it had been found that detainees were hiding things within the pages of the Koran. As a result, the guards were required to look through the Koran for their own safety.

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[redacted] was asked if he could assure camp officials that none of the detainees would ever hide any objects of any kind in their Korans. He stated that he could not. According to [redacted]

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[redacted] force every one to do one thing. [redacted] continued, could see 28/20 Koran and 2 could tell without touching it, if anything had been placed in it. To eliminate any possibility that objects might be hidden in the Koran, [redacted] offered, the large Korans could be replaced by really small copies.

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[redacted] could not understand how orders regarding the camp could not be immediately given to the camp. According to [redacted] he knew the camp very well. During the last year he had come to learn about the culture, schedules, practices and discipline of the guards and believed that if issued orders, they would respond immediately.

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[redacted] then inquired about what the brothers could do to ensure that the Koran was treated appropriately. [redacted] was told that this would be investigated.

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[redacted] inquired about the condition of one of the brothers who had been taken from the camp. According to [redacted] the detainees believed that the brother had been executed. [redacted] was informed that this was not the case. [redacted] asked if it would be possible for one of the other brothers, a brother that everyone trusted, to be taken to him so that he could see him and verify that he was alive. If he was in the hospital and had some medical condition, the representative would even listen to and believe the word of the doctor as to what had happened to him. According to [redacted] the man had just disappeared one day. He had heard that the man may have attempted suicide, but did not believe that to be the case since all Muslims knew that those who committed suicide would be immediately sent to hell.

[redacted] stated that he and others believed that it was more likely that the brother had been killed fighting over the Koran. According to [redacted], a box of Korans that were stacked in the corner of their block had fallen over. A Koran in one of the boxes had fallen out. The detainees thought that it was more likely that the brother had attempted to fight for the Koran and had then been killed.

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[redacted] indicated that any information the detainees could obtain regarding the brother would have a significant impact on the detainees and would reduce some of the current tension in the camp.

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[redacted] subsequently admitted that the treatment of the Koran had improved in his cell block. According to [redacted] all of the detainees in his cell block were now able to choose if they wanted to keep a Koran or not. They were also offered relative freedom in practicing their religion and praying. This had been a good change, he admitted and was the reason he was talking during the interview.

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[redacted] stated, however, that before he offered his full cooperation, the same changes to the treatment of the Koran would have to be extended to all of the blocks.

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On , Page that if they had, he would have been provided a vision by God.

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[redacted] had no other significant issues regarding the camp.

[redacted] was asked if he had been permitted to write a letter. [redacted] stated that he had. He had sent one letter and did not need to send any others. According to [redacted] God would ensure that his family knew that he was alright.

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[redacted] was asked if he had received any letters. He stated that he had not. He did not need to receive any letters. According to [redacted] he could tell that his parents and family were well because he had seen them in his dreams.

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