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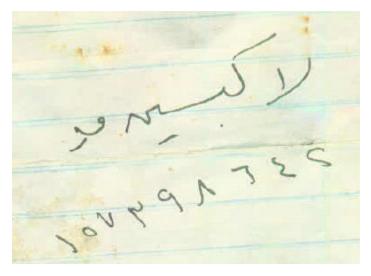
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Special cipher for Abi al Faraj Page (4) Codewords: SATTS (meaning) - when necessary, follows: {TN} RIGHT COLUMN Azerbaijan - "LI (Ali) Daghistan - ASAMA (Osama) Chechnya - SIF (Saif) Iran - :?HB (Shihab) Sudan - M"AZ (Mi'adh) Somalia - "BID? (Abida) Djibouti - JLAL (Jilal) Yemen - IASR (Yassir) Bahrain - BLAL (Bilal) America - AADM (Adam) England - HMD (Hamad) France - FARS (Faris) Ethiopia - RFA"I (Rifa'i) Kenya - TRAB (Turab) Khartoum - TAJ (Taj) Cairo - R;Q (Razq) San'a - OALD (Khalid) Alexandria - DLIN(Dalin) Nairobi - ALUWIL (Taweel) Addis Ababa - U? (Tah) Mombassa - SLAM (Salaam) Dar el-Salaam - ABW "BID? (Abu Abida) Cambala - "ISI ('Aissa)

{TN} CENTER COLUMN

Abu Abdullah - HM;? (Hamza) Abu Hafs - ABD ALRHIM (Abdul Rahim)

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Abu Talha - ALFATH (Al-Fatih)
Osama - : AML (Shamil)
Abu Islam - S?L (Sahal)
The Doctor - NWR (Noor)
Abul Hiz - ABRA?IM (Ibrahim)
Abul Faraj - XLAH (Silah)
Ashraf - RBI" (Rabi'a)
{TN} LEFT COLUMN
V.X - FITAMIN (Fitamin) [vitamin]
Saman - SHN? (Sahna) [expression]
Sarin - FITAMI 2 (Fitami 2) [vitamin 2]
Red Mercury - AL; AIED? (Al-Za`ida) [the additive]
Anthrax - ALJDDI (Al-Judadi)[the new ones]
Uranium - BWR (Bour) [port]
Plutonium - BRWFIN (Provine) (the F is written with three
dots, pronounced as V)
The Specialist - ALDKTWR (the Doctor)
Information - MLA; IA (Malaysia)
Intelligence - ALVRAIEB (al-dara`ib) [the taxes]
Prison - ALSAQI? (As-Sagi)[ditch]
Fax - ALRSAL? (ar-risala) [the letter]
The Brothers - ALAQARB (al-agarib) [the relatives]
Press Agencies - X.B. (P.O. Box)
Operation - XDIQ (Sadiq) [friend]
{TN} Below the columns:
5,4 Fax messages to al-Fatih {TN: Above this is Abu Talha}
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Weapons from Muhammad 'Atif's group (10,000) Dollars

NWR (Nour) contacts YASR (Yassir)

Date

Notes:

- (1) Word of Safety How are you Praise God Praise God, Good (means there is danger)
- (2) Appointments are two hours before, ex: Monday means 10 o'clock, Saturday means 8 o'clock, using GMT {TN: Examples have been scratched out, but are still readable}
- (3) Regarding the friend (the operation), the timing will be based on GMT

(4) Regarding telephone numbers, switch number 3 with number 5

{TN: Parts of this page are wrinkled and covered over (top right, bottom left) another copy, a look at the original will yield a little more information}

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Report on Security Observations

America has failed to get any evidence on you. We expect them to try to assassinate you again in another way, using the following weapons:

- 1) Osama and his high-ranking assistants eat together once a week (lunch on Friday)
 - a. Source of the food: the special kitchen in the receiving building. That kitchen is thought to be in a bad place, since so many Arabs and Afghans know where it is, and there is so little security. This is good for America, it is an open door for them. first negative point
 - b. How the food is distributed: it is distributed between the new and old people gathered <u>second</u> negative point
 - c. While the plates are being handed out it is clearly obvious which plate is for the Sheikh third negative point
 - d. The way you drink your water: I've observed that when you sit in the hangar, a glass of water is brought to you by one of the accompanying guards who is there for a general visit <u>fourth negative</u> point

{TN} end of page 5, remainder of this letter is not present

{TN} Page 6, letter on Human Concern International letterhead (Peshawar, Pakistan)

To Abu Abdullah (Osama bin Laden)

This is a thank you letter for all of his actions that support Muslims worldwide. The author says we are sending two men, 'Ilam Farouq and Muhammad Tibb.

From Wazir Al-Hasan

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letter to Qari Saahib asking for help getting the following brothers out of prison:

- 1) Abul Jirah (Yemeni)
- 2) Abu Yousef (Sudanese)
- 3) Abu Abdullah Al-Laili Al-Milki
- 4) Abu Umran al Ghamdi

From Saif al'adl Nov 19 1997

{TN} page 11

Letter to Abu Ibrahim

- 1) Ghazwan's trip was five days, it went very well.
- 2) If anyone wants to come, living there is not bad
- 4) Abu Tariq and al-Nawawi's donkey (nuclear) is valued at \$350,000 even if it was sold for \$100,000
 - a. {TN: chances are these are codewords}
- 5) We hope Abu Awaiss is well and can visit us to put his things in order
- 6) The three member committee met after Abu Awaiss left and they decided not to divide.
- 7) As for the papers of Khalifa, we will send them when they are ready
- 8) For Omar Abdul Hasan the Mauritian, we met him through the Mauritian Sheikh Abdullah... he wants to join the company and be one of us, he was sent to Egypt
- 9) Jan (John) Agha is very worrisome, please don't send any letters to him until the last sign and pass this on to the whole company.

From Muhammad Atif, 14 Aug 1996

{TN: Page 13&14, full translation}

Addendum to the first letter
Read after 5

1 - After the meeting with the prisoners who were released a few days before this addendum, we are sure that our three brothers who are with 85 Pakistanis really were moved more than two months ago to Tajikistan, and from there to Mashhad, Iran. Those prisoners remembered the names of all of our brothers and they described them. They remembered

that they complained very strenuously to the administrator of the prisoners, whose name was Mujahid, and he was a corporal in charge of the prisoners within the prison. They mentioned to him that they were not able to stay with the Pakistanis in the same place, he moved them in with the Afghanis, they also mentioned to him that they might act as if they had recovered completely from their injuries, and that their morale was very high. The prisoners said that after they had moved the Arab and Pakistani brothers, under an attempt to move the Afghani prisoners, these attempts were a failure. The first attempt failed in Masoud's airplane which was coming to transport them. Another time, the truck rolled over with the prisoners and guards, killing eight quards, two Pakistanis and four Taliban and injured others, and these events halted completely with the arrival of the last airplane. Because of this, there were ideas being tossed around that they were trying to get rid of the most important of our brothers.

- A Operations to mediate, directly or indirectly, in a limited way with the Iranians to talk about releasing the prisoners. It will be somewhere between diplomacy and threats with an operation which is something against their interests.
- B The operation to take Iranian hostages to trade for our prisoners will embarrass Iran quite a bit nationally, as a truly moderate party in Afghanistan, then for a country whose feelings clearly run that way. The operation will become a statement to Muslims in general to confirm and delimit their position. There will be responses, both positive and negative, but it is not bad to have discussions about it. Maybe the Taliban will benefit from some of this.
- C Operation to bomb something Iran has an interest in, and the threat to repeat that if they do not release the prisoners. This could be in Pakistan or in an Arab country, Iran's interests are spread all over the world.

The first solution is best for us, and it could open the door through which the Taliban may return as well.

2 - The time of Hamza's (the Pakistani) punishment has ended or passed. Please send him back to us, we need him urgently. We have started to shrink unnoticeably, but the training program is almost over and we will start the operations training in the next few days. During this time, I will go through the training for personality and courage, and the necessary preparations to conduct an operation that

is successful, and has an impact on the general situation, if God wills.

Signed Adbul Hadi Al-Ansari 11-2-1998 Monday, 14 Rajb 1419h

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A letter to Sheikh Abu Hafs

- 1 With praise to God, we have destroyed one of the enemy's cars on the way to Maradbik using an 82 mm mortar, and we destroyed another car on the way to Bakram using a tank. Also, in Bakram we scored a direct hit of two enemy tanks, and now we are trying to hit the third tank which is in front of our position after they withdrew the fourth tank. If you were here with us while we were shooting at them using Abu Turrab's tank, you would have laughed at the way they were running away!
- 2 After three days of unrelenting attempts, we were finally able to meet with Sheikh Muhammad Rabbani. We talked to him about:

a - things dealing with the prisoners. After bringing up the issue of pursuing their release, he asked me not to get inextricably involved with any faction as an attempt for us (Arabs) to release our brothers or to get support to them because we heard that they are not in a good situation and they need money (this is from the three who brought news that they are in Bengshir). He said that we are sending them aid, which will go to all of them without exception.

He specified one of the intelligence officials for us to work with on this issue. He asked us not to attempt trading with them for money, as this would open a door that would not close.

- b I asked him for the paper for the car or for a car. Then he told me that he heard that you had sent us two cars. I denied this, and refuted the story of the cars since the beginning of our participation. I told him how the Sheikh (Abu Abdullah) sent us his personal car which is now on the front lines. He said to me and it appeared to me that he did not believe what I said that he would talk to you about this car situation.
- c Afterwards, I asked him for a house for us to use as a headquarters because we have tired from the rent and the properties. He told me that they had moved away from Wazir Akbar Khan and the center of Kabul. They had moved

to the outskirts of Kabul far from observation, because Sulaiman Al-'Amri(The Saudi Consul) has asked about us and is concerned about our news. He has eyes to follow us, and we must show deference to their (the Taliban) position and not show defiance or embarrass them!!!!!!!!??? So he sent Mullah Hamad Allah Zahid to find us an appropriate house. May God bless him and keep him standing in the truth.

Finally, he sent his greetings to all of you.

- Please talk to him about the cars, he promised that he would.

- 3 We have sent brother Mirouis (Shahib) on his way, after supplying him with the necessary reasons and securing his needs. Just about no one knows about this except me, may God keep him.
- 4 We have learned that one of the Pakistani prisoners has been released from prison after his brother and father went to Bengshir via the Pakistani and Afghani learned men. told them that in the Dashtarak prison in Bengshir there were three Arab brothers, their names according to what he remembered are (Ali, Mahmoud, Abeed), two of whom have leg injuries, (Abeed and Ali). They were shot after they were captured, and they sustained serious injuries. They have gone without treatment until the Red Cross intervened and began treatment, along with the rest of the injured. Now their injuries are doing well. We also learned that their fourth colleague with them was also injured. However, the enemy shot and killed him when they were captured. doesn't know him or his name, or where he comes from, or anything about him or where he was. According to their descriptions in their memory, (Abeed is Abu Abeeda - and his name was Omran earlier) (And Mahmoud is Abu Yusef Al Sudani) and (Ali is Abu Abdullah Al-Layli) and the other two are from the group of the Sheikh's son who joined us at the end of the matter. The three were in the back of the house belonging to the brothers there. The fourth one in the house was Ibn al-Jarah who is possibly the one that was killed (This is only a possibility). The brother who visited us in the house also mentioned that that he heard that there is an Arab with 12 Pakistanis who are now prisoners, who are now in Jabal al-Siraj, and this brother is possibly (Nabisha). This also is only a possibility, since the last of the folks have come down from the mountain. He could have been the last of the Afghanis and Pakistanis, at that time he was on the mountain in

observation {TN: watch post} with Qutaiba al-Ghamadi who came down a little before him.

If God permits, we will keep trying to find out about the fate of the others and to get to know the brother in Jabal al-Siraj with the Pakistanis.

We are waiting for your instructions.

We know that at last they asked Qari Saif Allah Akhtar for one million Pakistani Kildar in exchange for releasing each of them, after they had initially asked him for a one for one exchange.

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To Abdul Aziz

- (1) Concerning the program, we are waiting for two. As I told you in the last letter, this is based on what Abu Ihlam said, they are concentrating. I think, and God knows, waiting is good for you until we receive it, and if God wills it won't be long.
- (2) Concerning the issue of the drama you talked about in your letter to the Sheikh, the Sheikh saw no problems with it initially, but you should send us pictures of the matter, how much it will cost and your opinion on it from the perspective of security. It is appropriate to study it from the security standpoint.

As for my opinion, I am afraid for your security. There is no need for recklessness, God knows.

(3) Concerning the steel {TN: could be code word, ALHDID} please turn it over to Abdul Hadi so he can take care of it in a safe place until another place is designated. This is because moving it now would raise a lot of questions.

My greetings to all who are with you, Your brother, Ahmed Abdul Aziz 11 Ramadan, 1419 {TN: 1999}

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{TN: does not mention name of addressee}

Concerning the situation on the front...

The situation on the front is very strange... I don't know who should pray for mercy for those brave Mujahideen who

died... how sad the things are that a person must see here ... but you are not saddened by this beginning which is not given up... The position of the Taliban is strong and good all along the front. Mas'ud's position is shaky... the Taliban have now begun shelling and striking and Mas'oud's groups have started to move to the rear. There are only two or three posts left to take the advance... The Taliban are advancing {TN: under crease in page} and they have started to retreat, but there is no reason for them to retreat... Mas'oud's groups are again giving up their positions... this is the way things have been repeated three times here until the present... I am sure that if Mas'oud advanced forcefully and didn't have the mountains in front of him, you would be seeing the Taliban's vehicles with you.

Up to this point, I don't have any ideas other than that The price the Taliban have lost their will to sacrifice. and unfortunately the severity of this situation has created a bad response by a lot of our brothers who have lost their will to stay for the Taliban... Consequently they have lost the feeling that holds them together, as the bombing against them is intense and there are injuries or martyrs every day. The Taliban are not advancing... Disregarding the position of the Taliban, if only they had some semblance of the way the prophet behaved, or something... This is with no indication of inoculating the guys with a new motivation to work... and if they were to open their mouths for something other than confirmation and rumors... this is the short version of the situation I found when I returned, and we ask God to guide you to a way to fix this...

- Regarding the following line:

There is no official in Kabul that I can talk to on this matter in any real way... The Secretary of Defense is in Pakistan... Akbar Agha is in Kandahar... and the rest of them are not qualified... I could probably go myself in the midst or just two... and I don't know where to get people to bring here... The situation of the brothers has become as follows:

1 - The Yemeni brothers have all gone and none of them remain except for Abdul Aziz, but you already know this.

2 - The rest of the remaining brothers are as follows:

a - Abu Khalid Yemeni and Ayoub wouldn't stay on the front line after Muhannad was killed without being forced. I told them to write to you so you can know them yourself.

- b Anas and Abu Mahjan have family situations, one has a sister getting married and the other is leaving in order to see his relatives. He wants to meet you and get to know you... He is a brave brother but he is in a hurry and was impatient waiting with us on the day of the blessed tanks.
- c Al-Zabir al-Maliki and Zaid al-Khair say that they have a special program to work on the peninsula $\{TN\colon SaudiArabia\}$ and they want to consult you about it.
- d Samu'al arrived by way of the son of the Sheikh; he has a letter of introduction for you to become acquainted with him.
- e The guy from Ogadin {TN: Ethiopia} and his brother, the first says that you put him in the new security group Eritria and the second is to get married.
- 3 The brothers who are staying on the front include:
 a the group at Baghram. Abu Ziyad is responsible for observation... Abu Tamim Group BMI {TN: BMI is written in English letters}... The Jordanian Abdul Hadi group, gharnai {TN: place name or Russian word??}... The Triberlamini group, tanks and the Iraqi brother is with them who recently arrived from Jalalabad and you sent him to report... That's it, no more.