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TEXT:

COMBINE: COMPLETE

1. ACTION REQUIRED: REQUEST HEADQUARTERS EXPEDITE THE DELIVERY OF POCKET LITTER TO BASE TO FURTHER FACILITATE DEBRIEFINGS OF

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SUBJECT. []

[] PLEASE ALSO SEE PARA 13H, IN WHICH SUBJECT DISCUSSED THE BOMBING PLANS OF THE USS COLE AND HIS DIRECT ASSOCIATION WITH UBL

ON THIS OPERATION. BASE WILL SUBMIT NAMES CONTAINED PARA 13 IN INTEL
FORMAT FOR FUTURE DISSEMINATION.

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2. SUMMARY: ON [REDACTED] NOVEMBER, THE SECOND DAY OF THE AGGRESSIVE
INTERROGATION PHASE OF SENIOR AL-QA'IDA OPERATIVE 'ABD AL-RAHIM
AL-((NASHIRI)) AKA ((MULLAH BILAL)) (SUBJECT), SUBJECT UNDERWENT
THREE SEPARATE DEBRIEFING SESSIONS. [REDACTED]

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4. THE FIRST INTERROGATION SESSION BEGAN AT 1102 HOURS WHEN
SECURITY TEAM, INTERROGATORS AND TRANSLATOR ENTERED THE CELL.
SUBJECT WAS REMOVED FROM THE LARGE BOX BY SECURITY TEAM MEMBERS AND
WAS MOVED TO THE WALLING WALL, HOODED. THE ROLLED TOWEL/NECK SUPPORT
WAS PLACED AROUND HIS NECK, AND INTERROGATORS ASKED SUBJECT TO REPEAT
WHAT HE HAD BEEN LEFT TO THINK OVER SINCE THE LAST TIME THEY TALKED;
SUBJECT HAD BEEN LEFT WITH THE DIRECTION TO THINK OF ONGOING
OPERATIONS THAT HE KNEW ABOUT. SUBJECT SAID HE WOULD COOPERATE IN
EVERY WAY, AND RELATED THAT HE HAD MET [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AFTER AN
ATTENTION GRAB BY INTERROGATOR, SUBJECT MODIFIED HIS CLAIM SOMEWHAT

[REDACTED]

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5. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ASKED THEIR NAMES, SUBJECT
REMAINED MUTE -- AFTER INTERROGATORS POINTED TO THE WATER TABLE AND
ASKED SUBJECT IF GOING TO THAT WOULD IMPROVE HIS MEMORY, SUBJECT
SUPPLIED THE NAMES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] USING AN
ATTENTION GRAB, INTERROGATORS TOLD SUBJECT THEY HAD ASKED HIM TO TELL
THEM ABOUT CURRENT THINGS, STATING THAT AS THE KEY LINK FOR AL-QA'IDA
TO THE GULF REGION HE KNEW THE INFORMATION THEY WERE AFTER. WHEN
SUBJECT SHOOK HIS HEAD TO THE CONTRARY, THE WALLING TECHNIQUE WAS
APPLIED ONCE; SUBJECT PROTESTED THAT HE WAS NOT LYING AND WANTED TO
COOPERATE.

6. ASKED WHAT OPERATIONS HE HAD BEEN PLANNING WITH KHALID SHAYKH
(MUHAMMAD) AKA (MUKHTAR) (KSM) FOR SAUDI ARABIA, SUBJECT STATED
THAT HE HAD NEVER MET KSM; THE WALLING TECHNIQUE WAS APPLIED SEVERAL
TIMES. ASKED WHEN HE LAST TALKED TO KSM, SUBJECT RESPONDED THAT HE
HAD ONLY MET KSM TWICE. THE FIRST TIME WAS ON A ROAD IN AFGHANISTAN
WHEN THE MUJAHIDIN WERE FLEEING FROM KABUL TO KHOST FOLLOWING THE
U.S.-LED BOMBING CAMPAIGN; [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THE SECOND TIME HE MET
WITH KSM WAS IN KARACHI, PAKISTAN; SUBJECT SAID HE DID NOT KNOW
KARACHI WELL, SO COULD NOT PROVIDE AN EXACT LOCATION FOR THIS
MEETING. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] -- THE WALLING TECHNIQUE WAS
THEN APPLIED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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8. [REDACTED]

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9. THE SECOND INTERROGATION SESSION BEGAN AT 1313 HOURS, AND PICKED UP WHERE THE FIRST SESSION LEFT OFF. SUBJECT REMAINED STANDING AT THE WALLING WALL WITH THE ROLLED TOWEL/NECK SUPPORT AROUND HIS NECK WHILE THE HOOD WAS SLOWLY REMOVED FROM HIS HEAD BY THE INTERROGATOR. INTERROGATORS AND SUBJECT CONTINUED TO WORK THROUGH THE LIST OF INDIVIDUALS SUBJECT PROVIDED DURING THE MORNING SESSION; DETAILS ON THESE PEOPLE ARE PROVIDED BELOW IN PARA 13. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE LIST OF NAMES, SUBJECT LOOKED INSOLENTLY AT ONE INTERROGATOR; THE SECOND INTERROGATOR IMMEDIATELY SLAPPED THE WALLING WALL AND USED AN ATTENTION GRAB, SURPRISING AND STARTLING SUBJECT. SUBJECT WAS TOLD TO NEVER, EVER GET THAT LOOK ON HIS FACE AGAIN, TO DISPOSE OF ANY EMOTION, BE COOPERATIVE, AND GET BACK TO WORK. ASKED WHAT ELSE HE HAD TO SAY, SUBJECT WHISPERED THAT HE HAD NOTHING ELSE.

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[Redacted] INTERROGATORS FURTHER SAID THAT SUBJECT ALREADY HAD U.S. BLOOD ON HIS HANDS, AND THE ANSWER TO THESE QUESTIONS COULD JUST SAVE HIS LIFE. SUBJECT ASKED WHETHER INTERROGATORS WANTED HIM TO TALK ABOUT THIS SUBJECT, NOTING THAT IT WAS OLD ... HE SAID THAT IN 1995 HE WENT TO YEMEN INTERROGATORS CUT HIM OFF, DEMANDING TO KNOW

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[Redacted] SUBJECT REPEATED THAT HE KNEW NOTHING [Redacted]

[Redacted] INTERROGATORS IMMEDIATELY USED THE ROLLED TOWEL/NECK SUPPORT WITH AN ATTENTION GRAB TO MOVE SUBJECT OVER TO THE SMALL BOX: NOTING THAT HE HAD BEEN DOING SO WELL UP UNTIL THAT POINT, SUBJECT WAS TOLD TO GET INTO THE SMALL BOX; SUBJECT COMPLIED, AND WAS TOLD THAT THIS CONVERSATION WOULD CONTINUE LATER. SUBJECT WAS LOCKED IN THE SMALL BOX AT 1434 HOURS, AND INTERROGATION TEAM DEPARTED THE CELL.

11. THE THIRD INTERROGATION SESSION BEGAN AT 1822 HOURS, WHEN INTERROGATORS, LINGUIST AND SECURITY TEAM RETURNED. SUBJECT, WHO BY THIS TIME HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM THE SMALL BOX AND WAS SEATED, HOODED, ON THE FLOOR, WAS STOOD UP AND MOVED TO THE WALLING WALL. SUBJECT'S HOOD WAS REMOVED, AND INTERROGATORS TOLD SUBJECT THAT THEY WERE NOW GOING TO DISCUSS [Redacted]

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12. [Redacted]

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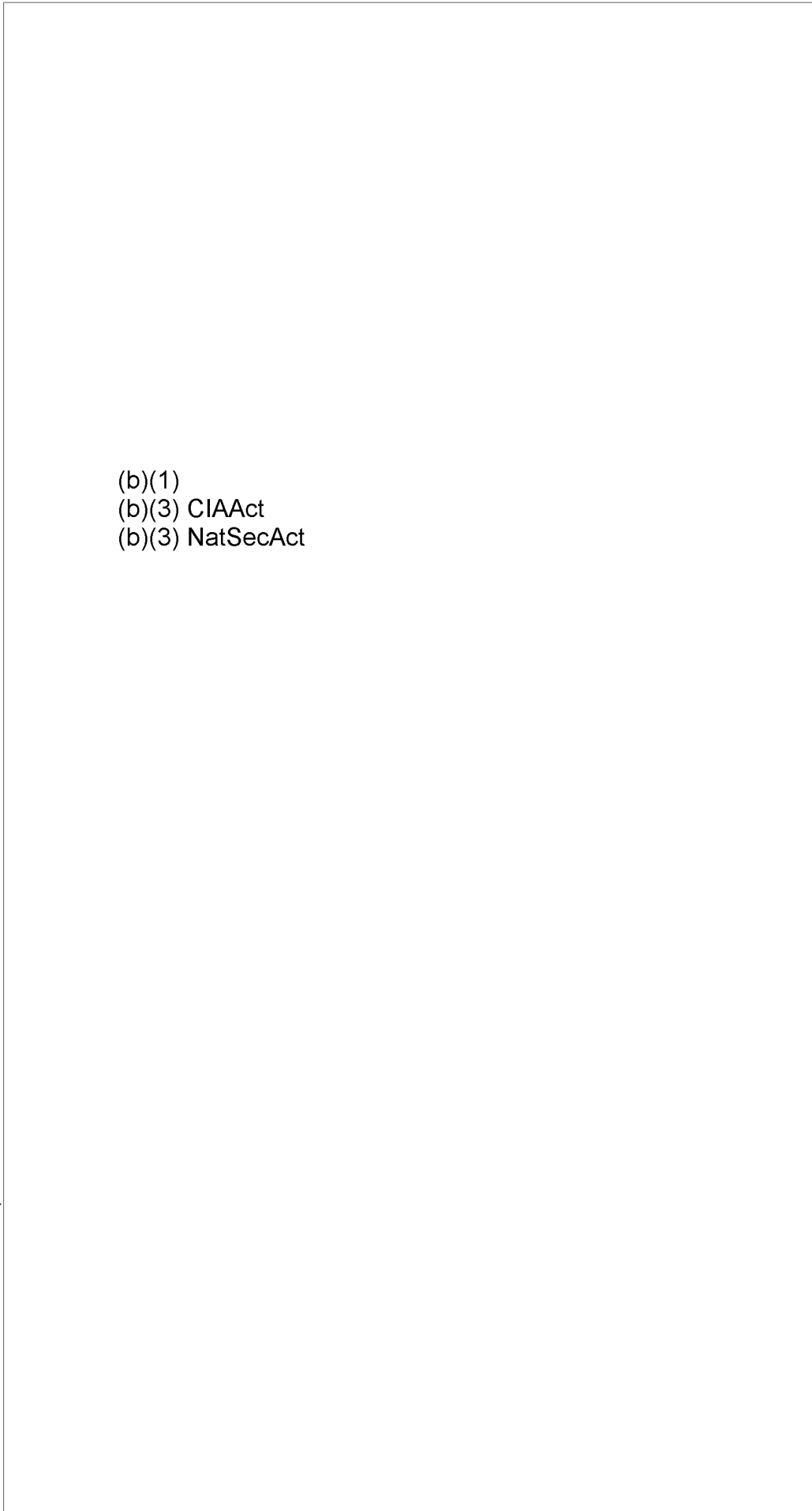
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