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2. (S/NF) THE KOH-E-MALIKSAIL REGION IS A SERIES OF THREE MOUNTAINS LOCATED IN THE EXTREME SOUTHWEST AREA OF AFGHANISTAN AT THE TRIANGULAR CONFLUENCE OF THE AFGHANISTAN, IRAN, AND PAKISTAN BORDERS. THE NEAREST VILLAGE IN PROXIMITY TO THE FACILITY IS ROBAT-E-JAL'
WHICH IS APPROX 10 TO 15 KILOMETERS FROM
THE FACILITY. THERE ARE THREE DISTINCT MOUNTAINS IN THE REGION THAT
GRADUATE IN SIZE FROM THE IRAN, PAKISTAN, AND AFGHANISTAN BORDER.
THE TRAINING FACILITY IS SITUATED IN A NATURAL CAVE IN THE MIDDLE
MOUNTAIN ON THE AFGHAN SIDE OF THE BORDER. THIS CAVE WAS USED BY
AFGHAN MUJAHIDEEN FIGHTERS DURING THE SOVIET OCCUPATION OF
AFGHANISTAN AND IS KNOWN BY THE LOCALS.

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4. (S/NF) THE TRAINING LASTS APPROX 25 DAYS AND INCLUDES
FAMILIARIZATION ON COMPUTERS AND TRAINING ON/ISSUE OF SATELLITE
TELEPHONES PROVIDED BY SADDAM HUSSEIN. ALTHOUGH HEKMATYAR DESIRED
TRAINING FOR AT LEAST FIVE MEMBERS FROM EACH AF PROVINCE, TO DATE,
ONLY MEMBERS FROM THE WESTERN AFGHAN PROVINCES HAVE ATTENDED TRAINING
SESSIONS IN THE KOH-E-MALIKSAI REGION (I.E. NIMRUZ, HERAT, FARAH,
HELMAND, ORUZGAN, ZABOL, AND GHAZNI PROVINCES). THE HEZB-E-ISLAMI
MEMBERS ARE TRAINED IN FOUR- TO FIVE-PERSON CELLS FROM THE SAME
PROVINCE.

5. (S/NF) DURING THE WEEK OF 01 OCTOBER 2002, FIVE
HEZB-E-ISLAMI MEMBERS RETURNED TO THEIR HOME CITY OF GHAZNI
IN GHAZNI PROVINCE, AFGHANISTAN.

THESE MEMBERS HAD JUST COMPLETED THE COMPUTER FAMILIARIZATION
TRAINING AT THE KOH-E-MALIKSAI TRAINING FACILITY AND HAD BEEN ISSUED
A SINGLE SATELLITE TELEPHONE FOR THE CELL.

COMMENTS: 1. (U) (b)(2)

2. (U) ADDRESS COMMENTS CONCERNING THIS REPORT TO [b](2), (b)(3): 10 USC 424

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