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| SUMMARY: (S///(b)(3):10 USC 424 WITH THE CONSENT OF |
| (b)(1),1.4 (c) AFGHANISTAN, THE ZABOL |
| MILITARY COMMANDER IS HARBORING TALIBAN FIGHTERS AND LEADERS. THESE |
| MEN ARE PLANNING WITH LOCAL PROVINCIAL LEADERS A FUTURE TAKE OVER OF |
| THE PROVINCE. |
| TEXT: 1. (S.//(b)(3):10 USC 424 AS A RESULT OF RECENT |
| MILITARY OPERATIONS BY U.S. AND COALITION FORCES IN THE KANDAHAR |
| REGION, AFGHANISTAN, MANY TALIBAN FORCES IN AND AROUND KANDAHAR HAVE |
| SWARD WARRING AND A CONTROL OF THE STATE OF |
| ESCAPED AND ARE NOW IN HIDING IN ZABOL PROVINCE, AFGHANISTAN. |
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| THEY HAVE BEEN PROVIDING SANCTUARY TO TALIBAN FIGHTERS ESCAPING FROM |
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| KANDAHAR. (b)(1),1.4 (c) THE FORMER |
| KABOL MILITARY COMMANDER UNDER THE TALIBAN REGIME. |
| 3. (S/(b)(3):10 USC 424 AMONG THOSE WHO ESCAPED |
| FROM KANDAHAR AND WHO IS NOW HIDING IN ZABOL, IS (b)(1),1.4 (c) |
| KEY TALIBAN COMMANDER; AND (b)(1), 1.4 (c) ASSIGNED TO |
| THE ZABOL MILITARY GARRISON AND A SUBORDINATE OF (b)(1), 1.4 (c) IS A KEY |
| TALIBAN COURIER IN ZABOL WHO RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A MEETING OF |
| TALIBAN COURIER IN ZABOL WHO RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A MEETING OF SENIOR TALIBAN LEADERSHIP AT SORAY (b)(3):10 USC 424 |
| AFGHANISTAN. (b)(1),1.4 (c) |
| 4. (S/) (b)(3):10 USC 424 ALSO HIDING IN ZABOL |
| PROVINCE IS (b)(1), 1, 4 (c) A KEY TALIBAN LEADER WHO FLED FROM |
| AFGHANISTAN DURING THE WAR. IS CURRENTLY AT HIS HOUSE LOCATED |
| BETWEEN THE VILLAGES OF NOWRAK AND SHAWJOY (CNA) NEAR THE EBRAHIM |
| KHEYL VALLEY IN ZABOL PROVINCE. FREQUENTLY TRAVELS IN A RED |
| COLORED PICK-UP TRUCK WITH A CURRENT AFGHAN NATIONAL FLAG MOUNTED ON |
| THE ROOF OF THE CAB TO DISGUISE HIS VEHICLE AS THAT OF A LOYAL (b)(1), 1.4 (c) |
| GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL. IS CURRENTLY ACTIVE IN ORGANIZING |
| TERRORIST CELLS IN ZABOL PROVINCE TO BE USED FOR ATTACKS AGAINST U.S. |
| AND COALITION FORCES IN AFGHANISTAN. (b)(1), 1.4 (c) |
| 5. (S/ID)(3):10 USC 424 IN LATE AUGUST, (FNU) |
| (b)(1),1.4 (c) CHIEF OF INTERNAL SECURITY FOR ZABOL PROVINCE, WAS |
| ASSASSINATED BY TALIBAN FIGHTERS WHILE EN ROUTE TO HIS HOUSE. |
| (b)(1) WAS ON HIS WAY HOME FROM VISITING THE HOUSE OF (b)(1), 1.4 (c) |
| 6. (S/(b)(3):10 USC 424 IN MID-AUGUST, MULLAH |
| (b)(1),1.4 (c) THE NUMBER TWO MAN FOR THE TALIBAN LEADER MULLAH |
| ((OMAR)), MET WITH (b)(1), 1.4 (c) AT THE VILLAGE OF DAY CHOPAN |
| (b)(1),(b)(3):10 USC 424,1.4 (c) WAS ATTEMPTING TO GARNER |
| SUPPORT AMONG THE ZABOL PROVINCE LEADERSHIP FOR A TALIBAN |
| TAKEOVER OF THE PROVINCE. |
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