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IRAQ'S RELATIONSHIP AND
CONTACTS WITH USAMA BIN LADIN DURING THE 1990'S (U)

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SUMMARY: (C) [] IRAQ IS RUMORED TO HAVE HAD A RELATIONSHIP WITH
USAMA BIN LADIN. IN THE MID-1990'S, UNDER DIRECT INSTRUCTION FROM
THE IRAQI PRESIDENT, AN IRAQI GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL MET WITH USAMA BIN
LADIN (UBL) IN SUDAN TO EXPLORE ASPECTS OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN
IRAQ AND THE UBL ENTITY.

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TEXT: 1. (C) [] THE IRAQI PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE DIRECTS THE IRAQI
INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (IIS) TO SEND A SEASONED OFFICER TO MEET WITH
USAMA ((BIN LADIN)) (UBL). DURING LATE 1994, A SENIOR IIS OFFICER
WAS SUMMONED TO SEE ABD RASHEED ((AL-TIKRITI)), THE IIS DIRECTOR,

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WHO INFORMED HIM THAT A PRESIDENTIAL ORDER WAS RECEIVED FOR HIM TO TRAVEL TO SUDAN AND MEET WITH UBL. ADNAN ((SA'AD AL-DEEN)), A SYRIAN MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD MEMBER EXILED IN IRAQ, RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM MR. IBRAHIEM ((AL-SANUSI)), THE DEPUTY GENERAL DIRECTOR OF THE SUDANI NATIONAL ISLAMIC FRONT, THAT UBL WISHED TO HAVE CONTACT WITH THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT. (b)(1);1.4 (c)

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(b)(1);1.4 (c) THE IIS OFFICER TRAVELED TO JORDAN, STAYED ONE NIGHT, AND FLEW TO KHARTOUM THE DAY AFTER.

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2. (b)(1);1.4 (c) MEETING UBL AT THE SANUSI'S HOUSE IN KHARTOUM, SUDAN. UPON ARRIVAL IN KHARTOUM DURING LATE 1994, THE IIS OFFICER ARRIVED IN KHARTOUM AND CONTACTED MR. SANUSI. MR. SANUSI WAS TO PICK HIM UP THE FOLLOWING DAY AT 1100 FOR THE MEETING. MR. SANUSI ARRIVED AT 1500 AND TOOK THE IIS OFFICER TO HIS PLACE OF RESIDENCE. UBL ARRIVED 10-15 MINUTES AFTER THE IIS OFFICER. FOLLOWING INTRODUCTIONS AND PROMPTING UBL PRESENTED HIS REQUESTS OF THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT ? TO ALLOW UBL TO OPEN AN OFFICE IN BAGHDAD AND TO PUT A REPRESENTATIVE OF UBL IN IT; ALLOW UBL TO HAVE TRAINING CAMPS ON IRAQI SOIL WITH SOME LOGISTICAL ASSISTANCE; FOR THE IRAQI MEDIA TO BROADCAST SHEIK SULEIMAN AL-ODEH'S, A SAUDI-BASED WAHABI FUNDAMENTALIST, SERMONS; AND FOR IRAQ TO SUPPLY HIS GROUP WITH CHINESE ANTI-SHIP MINES. THE OFFICER INQUIRED AS TO WHY CHINESE MINES IN PARTICULAR; UBL COULD NOT PROVIDE HIM WITH AN ANSWER. THE OFFICER AGREED TO CONVEY THIS MESSAGE TO THE IRAQI LEADERSHIP AND INFORMED UBL HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTACT HIM. THE MEETING LASTED BETWEEN 40-45 MINUTES. UBL LEFT FIRST AND THEN THE IIS OFFICER WAS TRANSFERRED BACK TO HIS HOTEL BY SANUSI'S DRIVER. (b)(1);1.4 (c)

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(b)(1);1.4 (c) IRAQI LEADERSHIP ACTIONS FOLLOWING THE UBL MEETING. THE

IIS OFFICER RETURNED TO IRAQ AND FILED HIS REPORT. A FEW DAYS LATER, THE PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE SENT THEIR ANSWER, SAYING UBL WAS TO BE IGNORED; HOWEVER, THE IRAQI PRESIDENTIAL FEEDBACK LETTER TO THE IIS STATED THAT IRAQ DOES NOT MIND BROADCASTING THE FIERY SERMONS OF SHEIK AL-ODEH OVER ITS AIRWAVES REACHING THE ARABIAN PENINSULA

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MR. SANUSI CONTINUES TO INQUIRING ABOUT THE AWAITED ANSWER WITH THE IRAQI EMBASSY IN KHARTOUM, AND THE IIS DIRECTOR TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT IRAQ WAS STILL STUDYING THE PROPOSAL AND WOULD CONTACT HIM LATER, UNTIL THE ISSUE DIED.

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