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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Event: Interview of [redacted]

Date: November 18, 2003

Special Access Issues: none

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Team Number: 1A

Location: FBI San Diego Field Division, San Diego, CA

Participants-Commission: Hyon Kim, Quinn John Tamm, Jr.

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[redacted] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), San Diego Field Division conducted an investigation of [redacted] in San Diego, CA; after it was determined that Omar al-Bayoumi used a Social Security Account Number (SSAN) that was assigned to [redacted] was located by the FBI in San Diego by using the commercial internet service "Choicepoint."

[redacted] told [redacted] that he knew al-Bayoumi from the Islamic Center of San Diego. [redacted] stated that he did not know any of al-Bayoumi's associates, and specifically stated that he did not know either Nawaf al-Hazmi or Khalid al-Mihdhar.

[redacted] advised that he was in E-mail contact with al-Bayoumi, who had left the San Diego, CA area prior to the 09/11/2001 terrorist attacks. [redacted] was brought to the FBI office in San Diego on 09/14/2001, where he was asked to contact al-Bayoumi by E-mail in an effort to determine al-Bayoumi's whereabouts. When al-Bayoumi responded, it was established that al-Bayoumi was in Birmingham, England, UK. Mr. [redacted] contacted [redacted] to have al-Bayoumi located and detained. The FBI, through the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, was seeking a material witness warrant for al-Bayoumi. After al-Bayoumi was detained, [redacted] traveled to London, UK with [redacted] to interview al-Bayoumi. A FBI agent from the New York Field Office [redacted] joined them in London. The plan was to interview al-Bayoumi and thereafter return him to the United States.

[redacted] and his partner were not allowed to directly interview al-Bayoumi. Instead [redacted] conducted a ^{9/11 Classified Information} [redacted] conducted the interview and then provided a transcript of the interview to the FBI agents. The most significant initial

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information was that al-Bayoumi [redacted] that he traveled to Los Angeles with Isamu Dyson in January 2000, where he first met with Nawaf al-Hazmi and Khalid al-Mihdhar. [redacted] stated that the Boston Field Division of the FBI was able to locate Dyson in Maine and interview him about al-Bayoumi and al-Hazmi and al-Mihdhar. Al-Bayoumi also described the meeting in Los Angeles with al-Hazmi and al-Mihdhar as a "chance" meeting. Al-Bayoumi was not asked about his relationship with the Saudi Government, if any. [redacted] provided no additional information at this time.

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