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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Event: Interview of FBI Special Agent [REDACTED]**Type of event:** Interview**Dates:** October 9, 2003**Special Access Issues:** None**Prepared by:** Raj De**Team Number:** 1A**Location:** FBI, Washington Field Office**Participants – Non-Commission:** FBI Assistant General Counsel Bob Sinton, Special Counsel Pat O'Brien**Participants – Commission:** Dieter Snell, Hyon Kim, Raj De

[REDACTED] joined the FBI in 1995. She was with Customs before joining the FBI. Her first assignment was in the narcotics section in Miami. She was transferred to white collar in WFO, which is where she was assigned as of 9/11. She is currently assigned to CIRG at Quantico.

[REDACTED] participated in one interview of Saleh al-Hussayen.

[REDACTED] received a lead that Hussayen stayed in same hotel as some of the hijackers prior to 9/11. Before interviewing him, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] She also determined that he had a connection to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] She could not recall what the acronym stood for.

Before interviewing Hussayen [REDACTED] spoke with the night manager at the hotel. She determined that there had been no calls made from Hussayen's hotel room. She thought that she arrived at the hotel room around 11:00 pm (although later in the interview she said that if the FD-302 stated a different time, the 302 would be more accurate).

Hussayen answered the door, and directed [REDACTED] to his wife. His wife said Hussayen did not speak any English. He was very quiet. His wife seemed very eager to speak with [REDACTED]. His wife seemed intelligent and was considerably younger than Hussayen (he appeared to be around 70, whereas the wife appeared to be in her early 30s).

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As his wife was speaking with [redacted] noticed that Hussayen was muttering and drooping his head. [redacted] asked if he was ok. His wife dismissed her concerns and said he was fine. A few minutes later [redacted] noticed that Hussayen was soaked with perspiration and was drooling. Hussayen fell forward out of his chair onto the floor and was unconscious for about 7-10 seconds. [redacted] was concerned, however Hussayen's wife did not appear overly concerned. [redacted] described her demeanor as

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[redacted] called the paramedics. When the paramedics arrived, they asked [redacted] if Hussayen could have been "faking it." Hussayen was taken to the hospital. [redacted] was confident that Hussayen could not have been faking it.

Hussayen's wife approached [redacted] at the hospital and wanted to continue their conversation. She said that she and her husband had come to the U.S. for a "holiday." When they arrived, they met some Bangladeshi men in NY who drove them around and who later drove them to Pennsylvania, where they met with some other men. They subsequently traveled to Detroit, Toronto, back to Detroit, and finally to Herndon. When [redacted] asked his wife who were the individuals with whom they met during their travels, his wife did not know because she was always separated with the other women.

His wife stated that Hussayen had a "brother" in Idaho, but they did not visit him. His wife also stated that while in the Washington, DC area, she and her husband did not visit any monuments or museums, which [redacted] thought was odd.

Hussayen's wife had a Saudi driver's license as well as a Virginia driver's license. When [redacted] asked her how and why she had a Virginia license, she stated that she thought it would be a good "souvenir," that she had got it on 9/10/01, and that a friend of theirs or [redacted] helped her get it. They knew this friend through the [redacted]

At the hospital, [redacted] asked Hussayen's wife whether she thought her husband could have been involved with the events of 9/11 in any way. The wife responded, "I don't know." [redacted] found this response extremely unusual.

Hussayen was released from the hospital within 2 hours, which led [redacted] to believe that whatever his condition it would not have been that serious. They all went back to the hotel.

Upon returning to the hotel [redacted] asked for a male CT agent and Arab speaker be sent to interview Hussayen. [redacted] stated that she was later disappointed in the brevity of the follow-up interview. The next day, [redacted] received a call from [redacted] who was at the "Dulles Command Center," asking whether Hussayen was permitted to leave the country. [redacted] stated that that was not her decision to make, but related that [redacted] She told [redacted] to call SIOC.

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[redacted] thought it significant that the couple had traveled to several cities and met with numerous individuals but the wife did not know who they were or what her husband discussed with them; that Hussayen's wife wanted a Virginia driver's license as a "souvenir;" and that Hussayen's severe reaction started when [redacted] had asked his wife why they moved to the hotel where they were staying at the time of the interview. Hussayen's wife said that they had moved to that hotel from another in the area because they wanted a kitchenette, but [redacted] found that explanation suspicious in view of the fact that there was nothing in the fridge nor any indication that the kitchenette had been used at all.

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