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SUBJECT: EYES ONLY - COMMENTS ON PROGRESS WITH ABU ZUBAYDAH INTERROGATION: LET'S STAY THE COURSE

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TEXT:

1. ACTION REQUIRED: PLS SEE BELOW AND WELCOME SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR USE WITH ABU ZUBAYDAH. THANKS.

2. SUMMARY:

--- TEAM BELIEVES THE CURRENT BEHAVIOR OF (ABU ZUBAYDAH)
INDICATES HE HAS NO NEW OR CURRENT INFORMATION ABOUT THREATS TO THE UNITED STATES.
-- SUBJECT DOES HAVE DISSEMINABLE INFORMATION RELATING TO PAST OPERATIONS.
-- SUBJECT HAS UNDERGONE A BEHAVIORAL TRANSFORMATION DURING THE AGGRESSIVE INTERROGATION PHASE, TO THE EXTENT HE IS ALMOST TOTALLY COMPLIANT.
-- WELCOMES ANY QUESTIONS OR REQUIREMENTS ON SUBJECT'S KNOWLEDGE OF NEW THREATS TO THE UNITED STATES WHICH WE CAN USE IN FORTHCOMING SESSIONS. END SUMMARY.

3. TEAM APPRECIATES REF FEEDBACK CONCERNING CURRENT STATE OF PLAY OF THE ((ABU Zubaydah)) (SUBJECT) INTERROGATION.
TEAM AND STATION LOOK FORWARD TO THE PLANNED 13 AUGUST VTC TO ADDRESS A NUMBER OF CRITICAL ISSUES.

4. FOR THE RECORD, WISH TO UNDERSCORE ONE POINT RE REF PARA TWO COMMENT CONCERNING "DISSEMINABLE INFORMATION". REF PARA TWO NOTED THAT SUBJECT "...HAS BEGUN TO SHARE DISSEMINABLE INFORMATION - AT THE END OF A WEEK..." WHILE THIS IS TRUE WE BELIEVE THE CONTEXT IS MISSING AND NEEDS TO BE DOCUMENTED. FROM THE OUTSET OF THIS PHASE, THE TEAM HAS FOCUSED ON OUR SINGULAR MISSION: TO IDENTIFY WHAT CRITICAL NEW INFORMATION SUBJECT HAS RELATED TO THREATS AGAINST THE UNITED STATES. SUBJECT'S PERSISTENT RESPONSES TO THIS KEY MISSION QUESTION HAVE BEEN "I HAVE NO MORE" OR "I HAVE NOTHING MORE" OR "I TOLD YOU EVERYTHING". THESE ARE BUT A SAMPLING OF SUBJECT'S RESPONSES ON THIS ISSUE. IN OTHER WORDS SUBJECT SAYS HE KNOWS OF NO THREATS TO THE UNITED STATES OTHER THAN THOSE HE HAS ALREADY MENTIONED.

5. TO ELABORATE, IT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY CLEAR THAT, WHILE SUBJECT HAS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN GENERAL, HIS BEHAVIOR STRONGLY INDICATES THAT THIS INFORMATION RELATES TO PAST ACTIVITIES VICS NEW/CURRENT THREATS. IN AN EFFORT TO TEST THIS BELIEF AND TO GAUGE SUBJECT'S LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE, AT THE END OF THE WEEK THE TEAM DELIBERATELY ALBEEFY SWITCHED TOPICS FROM CURRENT THREATS TO PAST OPERATIONS. AT THAT POINT, SUBJECT IMMEDIATELY SWITCHED FROM PERSISTENT ADAMANT DENIALS TO SPONTANEOUS PROVISION OF ANSWERS (TO INCLUDE NEW NUGGETS OF INFORMATION REFERENCED IN REF A). SUBJECT'S BEHAVIORAL TRANSITION STRONGLY SUGGESTS THAT THE TECHNIQUES IMPLEMENTED ON A 24/7 BASIS FOR THE LAST EIGHT DAYS HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE AND HAVE PRODUCED THE DESIRED RESULTS OF ALMOST TOTAL COMPLIANCE ON SUBJECT'S PART. DESPITE SUBJECT'S HIGH LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE, THUS FAR SUBJECT HAS NOT PROVIDED DETAILS OR SPECIFICS ABOUT THREATS AGAINST THE UNITED STATES BEYOND THOSE HE HAS ALREADY MENTIONED.

6. LOOKS FORWARD TO THE UPCOMING VTC AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO ILLUSTRATE VIA VIDEO THE PROFOUND TRANSFORMATION THAT SUBJECT HAS UNDERGONE AS A RESULT OF THE AGGRESSIVE INTERROGATION PHASE, WHICH HAS BEEN WITNESSED FIRST HAND ABOVE. NOTWITHSTANDING, WE WOULD WELCOME SPECIFIC
QUESTIONS/REQUIREMENTS/SUGGESTIONS TO ADDRESS WITH SUBJECT THE MISSION CRITICAL QUESTION RE CURRENT THREAT AGAINST THE UNITED STATES. REGARDS.

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END OF MESSAGE