PROCEEDINGS OF A MILITARY COMMISSION
The military judge called the R.M.C. 803 session to order at
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba at 0900, 29 February 2012 pursuant to the
following orders:
Military Commission Convening Order Number 12-01, dated
15 February 2012.

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1 MJ [COL POHL]: Military Commission is called to order. 2 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Good morning, Your Honor. This 3 Military Commission is appointed by convening order number 4 12-01 dated 15 February 2012, copies of which have been 5 furnished to the Military Judge, counsel and the accused and 6 is attached to the record of trial. I would like to put on 7 the record, Your Honor, that pursuant to Rule For Military 8 Commissions 603, the trial counsel has made minor 9 non-substantive changes to the charge sheet in pen and ink and 10 that version of the charge sheet has been provided to the 11 Court, the defense and the accused and will be attached to the 12 record of trial.

These proceedings are being transmitted via closed
circuit television to two remote viewing locations in the
United States in accordance with the Military Judge's order
dated February 21st, 2012, Appellate Exhibit No. 6.

17 The charges have been properly approved by the
18 Convening Authority and referred to this Commission for trial.
19 The prosecution is ready to proceed in the arraignment of
20 United States versus Majid Shoukat Khan.

21 The accused and the following personnel detailed22 to this Commission are present:

Colonel James Pohl, Military Judge.

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1 Courtney A. Sullivan, United States Department of 2 Justice, trial counsel. 3 Lieutenant Michael T. Hosang, U.S. Army, assistant 4 trial counsel -- excuse me, Lieutenant Colonel Michael Hosang, 5 U.S. Army, assistant trial counsel. 6 Lieutenant Nathanial R. Gross, U.S. Navv. 7 assistant trial counsel. 8 Lieutenant Colonel Jon Jackson, U.S. Army, 9 detailed defense counsel. 10 Katya Jestin, civilian defense counsel, 11 And J. Wells Dixon, civilian defense counsel. 12 The court reporter -- a court reporter has been 13 detailed as reporter for this Commission and has previously 14 been sworn. 15 MJ [COL POHL]: The members are absent? 16 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir. 17 MJ [COL POHL]: Go ahead. 18 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: The Court security officer has also 19 been detailed to this Military Commission and has previously 20 been sworn. 21 MJ [COL POHL]: I have been detailed to this Commission 22 by myself as Chief Judge of the Military Commission, 23 previously sworn in accordance with Military Commissions 807.

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I'm certified and qualified in accordance Article 27 (Bravo)
 (Charlie) and 42 (Alpha), Uniform Code of Military Justice, as
 well as Rule For Military Commissions 503.

Trial counsel, please state by whom you have beendetailed and your qualifications.

TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: All trial counsel have been
detailed to this Military Commission by the chief trial
prosecutor. All members of the prosecution are qualified
under Rule for Military Commissions 502 and we have previously
been sworn in accordance with Rule for Military Commissions
807.

12 I appear as a representative from the Department 13 of Justice as special trial counsel. No member of the 14 prosecution has acted in any manner which might tend to 15 disqualify us in this proceeding and the detailing document 16 has been marked as Appellate Exhibit 3. The prosecution also 17 has sitting at the prosecution table FBI Special Agents 18 Michael Fregeau and Timothy Harvey and paralegals Sergeant 19 First Class Latoya Gates and Ms. Rhonda Tony.

20 MJ [COL POHL]: Military defense counsel will announce21 his detailing and qualifications.

22 Colonel Jackson, you guys can do this from your23 table if you want to.

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1 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Be happy to do so, sir.

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MJ [COL POHL]: Go ahead.

3 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Good morning, Your Honor. I'm 4 Lieutenant Colonel Jon S. Jackson, I have been detailed to 5 this Military Commission by Colonel Jeffrey P. Caldwell, the Chief Defense Counsel. I have previously been sworn and 6 7 qualified under R.M.C. 503, previously sworn in accordance 8 with R.M.C. 807. I have not acted in any manner which may 9 tend to disqualify me in this Military Commission. Μv 10 detailing document is attached as Appellate Exhibit 007.

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MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Dixon.

12 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Good morning, Your Honor, Jonathan 13 Wells Dixon, licensed to practice law in the State of New 14 York. I'm qualified in accordance with Rule of Military 15 Commission 502(d), I provided my notice of appearance and 16 agreement to the Military Judge and it is marked as AE 8 as 17 required by the Military Commissions Act preliminary 18 procedural instructions for United States versus Khan. I have 19 previously been sworn. I have not acted in any manner that 20 might tend to disqualify me in this proceeding.

21 MJ [COL POHL]: Please remain standing. Raise your22 right hand. Is it J. Wells Dixon?

23 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Correct.

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1 (Counsel was sworn.)

2 MJ [COL POHL]: Ms. Justin.

3 CDC1 [MS. JESTIN]: I'm Katya Justin, licensed to 4 practice in the State of New York, qualified in accordance 5 with Rule of Military Commission 502(d). I have provided my 6 notice of appearance and agreement to the Military Judge and 7 it is marked as Appellate Exhibit 9 as required by the 8 Military Commissions Act and the preliminary procedural 9 instructions for United States versus Khan. I have previously 10 been sworn. I have not acted in any manner that might tend to 11 disgualify me in this proceeding.

MJ [COL POHL]: You have been sworn in another case?
 CDC1 [MS. JESTIN]: Previously sworn by Lieutenant
 Colonel Jackson.

15 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. I need to swear you in each case.16 (Counsel was sworn.)

17 MJ [COL POHL]: Thank you.

18 Colonel Jackson, who else do you have at defense table?

DC [LTC JACKSON]: Your Honor, we also have LN1 PettyOfficer Steve Thaggard, our paralegal.

MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, before we go further, there
are some questions I need to ask you. It is my understanding
you speak English?

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

2 MJ [COL POHL]: Any need for an interpreter at all? 3 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I don't think so, sir. 4 MJ [COL POHL]: If sometimes it comes up you think you 5 might, make sure you let me know, okay? 6 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sure thing. I mean, if I don't 7 understand you, I will ask my attorney to explain to me as we 8 go through. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay, good. 10 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Appreciate it, thanks. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, I want to talk to you now 12 first of all, about your rights to counsel. Pursuant to the 13 Manual For Military Commissions, you are represented by 14 Colonel Jackson, your detailed defense counsel. Do you 15 understand this? 16 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 17 MJ [COL POHL]: Detailed Defense Counsel is provided to 18 you free of charge, do you understand that? 19 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 20 MJ [COL POHL]: In addition to Detailed Defense Counsel, 21 you may be represented by qualified civilian lawyers. A 22 civilian lawyer will represent you at no expense to the 23 government. To be gualified, he or she must be a U.S.

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1 citizen, he or she must be admitted to the practice of law in 2 a state, district, territory or possession of the United 3 States or Federal Court, may not have been the subject of a 4 disqualifying action by a bar or other competent authority, be 5 eligible for secret clearance or higher as required, and agree 6 in writing to comply with orders, rules and regulations of 7 these military commissions. If a civilian lawyer represents 8 you, Detailed Defense Counsel will continue to represent you 9 unless you specifically waive the right to be represented by 10 Detailed Defense Counsel. Do you understand what I just told 11 vou?

12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir I do.

13 MJ [COL POHL]: Any question about your rights to14 counsel before this Military Commission?

15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No.

16 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you desire to be represented by17 Mr. Jackson, Mr. Dixon and Ms. Jestin?

18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes.

19 MJ [COL POHL]: Those three alone?

20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: In this hearing, yes, sir, only three.

21 MJ [COL POHL]: No, the Commissions.

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes.

23 MJ [COL POHL]: You may have lawyers for other things,

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1 that is not what I'm talking about.

ACC [MR. KHAN]: As of today, these three lawyers, I'm
3 satisfied with these three lawyers.

4 MJ [COL POHL]: So you don't -- do not want any other5 qualified counsel?

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sir, my understanding is as of today 6 7 I'm satisfied with the three lawyers. Down the road, I have 8 been making request to -- for nine years I have been making 9 request to speak with the Pakistani embassy. So far I haven't 10 had a chance but I would like to have a Pakistani foreigner 11 representative to represent me, not in this hearing but down 12 the road in future years. As of today, I'm satisfied with 13 these three lawyers. I would like to offer on the record, 14 make request to have another attorney from the Pakistani 15 government.

MJ [COL POHL]: So I'm clear, Mr. Khan, I think I am,
for the purpose of this hearing today, these are your three
lawyers you want, correct?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, down the road in some other
proceeding or some other effort, you would like to have
assistance from the Pakistani embassy and perhaps a Pakistani
lawyer, correct?

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1	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, meaning down the road
2	meaning we are talking about sentencing, which is hopefully
3	within the Commission system.
4	MJ [COL POHL]: Just so it is clear, I think we are
5	clear, so you and I understand each other, if you wish to add
6	additional lawyers at subsequent hearings or subtract the ones
7	you have, you have that right.
8	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay.
9	MJ [COL POHL]: Do you understand what I am saying?
10	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.
11	MJ [COL POHL]: So if down the road we have another
12	hearing in this case, whether it is sentencing or something
13	else, and you wish to have an additional lawyer, assuming they
14	meet the qualifications, that's your choice and you certainly
15	can have an additional lawyer.
16	So for today, these three; but if another hearing
17	comes down, you say I want somebody else, they meet the
18	qualifications, then that is your right. Do you understand
19	that?
20	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sure, I understand. I want it to be on
21	the record that I made an official request to have Pakistani
22	attorney down the road. That's what I want to do. Thank you,
23	sir.

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1 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay, no problem. 2 One matter I need to go over with you about 3 counsel, this will be the final matter. In the event counsel, 4 Mr. Khan, may disagree on a matter concerning representation, 5 I need you to designate who the lead counsel will be to speak 6 for you on the defense team. So who do you designate as your 7 lead defense counsel. 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: That would be LTC Jon Jackson, 9 Mr. Jon. 10 MJ [COL POHL]: Counsel understand -- defense counsel 11 understand and agree to that definition? 12 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir. 13 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 14 MJ [COL POHL]: I'm not aware of any grounds for 15 challenge against me to do this. Does either counsel desire 16 to question me or challenge me? 17 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: No, sir. 18 DC [LTC JACKSON]: No, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: Counsel for both sides understand the 20 provisions of the Military Commissions concerning safeguarding 21 classified information? 22 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir. 23 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir.

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1	MJ [COL POHL]: Do you understand you must as soon as
2	practicable notify me of any intent to offer evidence
3	involving classified information so that I may consider the
4	need to close the proceedings?
5	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.
6	DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir.
7	MJ [COL POHL]: As I am required by the Manual for
8	Military Commissions to consider the safety of witnesses and
9	others at these proceeding. Do counsel for both sides
10	understand they must notify me of any issues regarding the
11	safety of potential witnesses so I may determine appropriate
12	ways in which testimony will be received and witnesses
13	protected?
14	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.
15	DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir.
16	MJ [COL POHL]: On 24 February 2012, I had a telephonic
17	802 conference with counsel. On the 27th of February, 2012, I $$
18	had an in-person 802 with counsel. At both 802s, we discussed
19	procedural issues primarily. I did express a certain amount
20	of concern with the conspiracy specification, specifically the
21	overt act provisions that was appear to predate the
22	conspiracy, which I will discuss in a second.
23	Other than that, I don't believe anything of

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substance was discussed at the 802. As I told counsel at the
 802 and am telling them again, if any issue was raised at the
 802 that you wish to raise before the Commission at this time
 are, to do so at this time.

5 Trial counsel, anything you wish to raise at this6 time?

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TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: No, Your Honor.

8 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: We have one issue we wanted to put on
9 the record, that is, it is our understanding that paragraph 13
10 of the PTA has the same standard as paragraph 2 of the
11 appendix as an issue we discussed at the second 802.

MJ [COL POHL]: Yes, I was going to go over that when weget to the PTA. Thank you.

Ms. Sullivan, you referenced changes in the charge
sheet where you pen and inked some corrections on charge 1.
What was previously the overt act provisions of 1 through 6
are now just jurisdictional data; is that correct.

18 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir, that's correct.

MJ [COL POHL]: Would it be fair to say because these
 overt acts -- these acts occurred prior to the agreement?
 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: I have just one minor issue, paragraph 7
would appear to be an overt act that occurred prior to the

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1 agreement?

2 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.

3 MJ [COL POHL]: So would it be fair to say that is not4 in furtherance of the conspiracy?

5 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Defense, do you understand -- as
I understand paragraphs now 1 through 7 are jurisdictional
data, and perhaps a lot of it superfluous for specification,
but they are not overt acts in furtherance of the charge of
conspiracy.

11 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: The accused will be arraigned. All
personnel appear to have the requisite qualifications. All
persons requiring to be sworn have been sworn.

15 Defense counsel, have you and the accused been16 provided a copy of the charges?

17 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir.

18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: At this time, trial counsel willannounce the general nature of the charges in this case.

TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: The general nature of the charges in this case are murder in violation of the law of war, attempted murder in violation of the law of war, material support for

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1 terrorism, spying, and conspiracy. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: Does defense desire the charges be read? 3 DC [LTC JACKSON]: No, Your Honor, defense waives 4 reading. 5 MJ [COL POHL]: The charges may be admitted. Defense, 6 any motion prior to entry of the plea? 7 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Your Honor, we have one pending 8 motion. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Is that, would it be fair to say, AE 11? 10 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. My intent is to, because I think 12 it impacts on the plea, take the plea, announcement of the 13 plea, address the motion and then proceed after that. 14 DC [LTC JACKSON]: I understand, Your Honor. 15 MJ [COL POHL]: Because without the plea, the motion 16 really doesn't make any sense. So other than that motion, do 17 you have any motions? 18 DC [LTC JACKSON]: No, Your Honor. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: Accused and Counsel, please rise. 20 [All persons did as directed.] 21 Mr. Majid Shoukat Khan, I now ask you, how do you 22 plead? 23 Before receiving your plea, I advise you, any

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1 motions to dismiss appropriately should be made at this time. 2 The defense counsel will speak for you. 3 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Mr. Khan pleads as follows: 4 To all charges and specifications: Guilty. 5 MJ [COL POHL]: Please be seated. Defense, I understand 6 there is a pretrial agreement in this case; is that correct? 7 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, Your Honor. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: I also understand you have a motion that 9 deals with the pretrial agreement? 10 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: I would like to litigate that motion now 12 and then when that's done, discuss with your client, pending 13 the result of that motion, whether or not he wishes to 14 continue to plead guilty. 15 DC [LTC JACKSON]: I understand, Your Honor. 16 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, is your plea of guilty as your 17 counsel said, is that your plea in this case? 18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: Defense, your motion is marked as AE 11. 20 The government's response is AE 11 Alpha. And Trial Counsel, 21 I believe you also provided supplemental response, which would 22 be AE 11 Bravo.

Given the nature of this motion, I may be a little

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1 opaque until I rule on it as to what exactly it covers. 2 Defense, as I understand, you wish -- in your motion, you wish 3 certain parts of the pretrial agreement to be sealed? 4 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Yes, Your Honor. 5 MJ [COL POHL]: Until when? 6 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Until such time as the government 7 would be required by law to unseal and disclose that 8 information. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: As I understand, your primary basis for 10 this is concern about the welfare of Mr. Khan's family and 11 perhaps friends in the United States and other areas, correct? 12 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Yes, that's true, Your Honor. And I 13 don't believe there is any dispute as to the factual 14 underpinning for that concern or the argument. 15 MJ [COL POHL]: And again, at this point I am going to 16 be relatively cautious in what I say, but as I understand it 17 from the motion is the defense's concern that if the entire 18 document were released, that that would provide information 19 that is currently not public knowledge -- or at least confirm 20 information that may be? 21 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: That is correct, Your Honor. I would 22 add to that, in response to the government's supplemental 23 submission, that precisely this form of relief was initially

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granted in the matter that is addressed in the supplemental
 submission. Ultimately that was not the conclusion of the
 Court there, but the Court there did recognize that under
 different circumstances the outcome there might have been
 different. And we respectfully submit that this case is the
 exceptional case that warrants a different conclusion from
 that reached in the supplemental submission.

8 MJ [COL POHL]: And would it be fair to say that this is
9 a concern about a generic threat as opposed to a specifically
10 identified threat? Are you are with me on that? You
11 understand what I'm saying?

12 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: I understand, your Honor, and I 13 respectfully do not think that that is the case. I think that 14 there is a specific historical basis for the concern and the 15 concern is not generalized, it is a particular concern as to 16 particular individuals in particular locations. So it is not 17 a generalized concern in the nature of perhaps some other less 18 extraordinary case, no.

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, I'm just saying -- now, I
understand that, but I was saying there is no specifically
identifiable individual threat that you are currently aware of
except what you just said?

23 CDC 2 [MR. DIXON]: May I have a moment, Your Honor?

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1 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure. 2 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Your Honor, we've, I believe, 3 identified in our brief ----4 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. 5 CDC2 [MR. DIXON] ---- with specificity the nature of 6 the concern. It is also -- it is also identified in the 7 charge sheet, the historical basis for the concern. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: -- but would it be fair to say the 9 charge sheet is a public document now? 10 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Correct. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: So any information contained therein is 12 already in the public domain? 13 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: The charge sheet is in the public 14 domain, yes, but that's not the nature of the -- that's not 15 the request for relief. 16 MJ [COL POHL]: I got it. 17 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Relief is separate. 18 MJ [COL POHL]: But you said the threat is in the charge 19 sheet -- the evidence of the threat can be inferred, let's use 20 that term, from the nature of the charges in this case. 21 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Yes, but I don't think that resolves 22 the issue, Judge. 23 MJ [COL POHL]: I didn't think it did.

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1	CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Because we are asking for very
2	specific relief that would prevent certain actions in the
3	future that we believe are likely and specifically identified
4	that are not merely theoretical. And as evidence of the fact
5	that they are not merely theoretical, we point to the facts
6	identified in our sealed brief and to the provision in the
7	charge sheet. But that is that is, we respectfully submit,
8	not a disclosure in the charge sheet that would moot our
9	request for relief.
10	MJ [COL POHL]: Trial Counsel, you oppose this request?
11	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: That's correct, Your Honor.
12	MJ [COL POHL]: Do you understand the defense's concern?
13	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.
14	MJ [COL POHL]: In your brief, you indicated that the
15	government gave me examples of other cases where it was not
16	sealed.
17	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.
18	MJ [COL POHL]: But there have been other commission
19	cases where it was sealed at the request of the government?
20	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: I'm aware of one case, sir, in which
21	that was done, yes, sir. There are several others which it
22	was not.
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23 MJ [COL POHL]: So what is your position about?

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1 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Your Honor, our position is that 2 Rule 806, which would permit Your Honor to seal portions of 3 the documents and which is the provision under which the 4 defense requested relief, articulates a presumption in favor 5 of public trials and in favor of public proceedings, including 6 the documents filed in connection with those proceedings. And 7 in order to make the finding and grant the relief that the 8 defense is requesting here, Your Honor, the Military Judge 9 would have to find essential findings of fact on the record 10 determining that the relief requested is necessary to ensure 11 the safety of individuals. We don't feel the defense has met 12 that burden here and we don't feel that sealing the provisions 13 requested is in the public interest or enhances the safety of 14 the individuals referenced in the defense's pleadings.

15 MJ [COL POHL]: Just so I'm clear on what the government 16 position is here, because you are in the position -- I'm 17 looking at you, but talking about the government here, you're 18 in the position to determine whether or not there are -- what 19 risk there is to other individuals about disclosing this 20 information. And so what you are in the position as to 21 whether or not how that risk can be addressed. And so you are 22 telling me is that -- speaking for the big government, is that 23 you do not believe that risk is sufficient to warrant granting

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1 the defense relief?

2 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Your Honor --

3 MJ [COL POHL]: I want to make sure because, you know,
4 if down the road if something were to occur -- we can't
5 predict the future, I got that.

6 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Correct.

MJ [COL POHL]: The defense motion, I'm assuming, is
made in good faith and you are representing the government's
position that this risk of the physical safety of other
individuals is not sufficient to close this part of the PTA?

11 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Your Honor, we don't disagree with 12 the defense's position that they have articulated a 13 theoretical risk as said in our motions. Much of what the 14 basis of the risk is is in the public domain, it has been the 15 subject of speculation. We are not in a position, as your 16 Honor has suggested, to go all over the world and run down 17 every possible lead to every possible risk, particularly in 18 other countries where United States -- so, we are not 19 disputing a theoretical risk to individuals in foreign 20 countries. We don't think, however, that on these facts the 21 legal burden is met here and there is an overwhelming public 22 interest given the facts, given what's already in the public 23 domain in unsealing the documents in their entirety.

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As an alternative, your Honor, we believe that the relief the defense has requested is not narrowly tailored to effect what they are asking for. I will remain opaque that as well, sir, because you have not ruled yet. I believe we have made that clear in our briefs that the defense joined in some public filings that include some of the actions they are requesting now.

8 THE COURT: There was an issue neither side addressed in 9 their briefs, and let me ask you this. Is disclosing the 10 complete quantum portion of the pretrial agreement, does it 11 cause you pause that the members may be aware of this prior to 12 them coming into the court?

TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Sir, we believe that, given the delay in sentencing, which is also in the public domain now as part of the agreement, as part of the motion that the defense joined, would permit the government to successfully obtain a panel of members at sentencing through voir dire who will not know about that or can be voir dired to successfully sit at a sentencing hearing on this matter.

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MJ [COL POHL]: Thank you. Go ahead.

21 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: I would like to say two more things.
22 First, with respect to our request for relief, there are
23 actually two requests for relief. If you look at page 1 of

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1 the motion, there is subpart A and subpart B. Subpart B 2 concerns the sealing of the filings made in connection with 3 the request to seal, and regardless of how Your Honor rules on 4 the request to seal the PTA, or portions of it I should say, 5 we do request the filings be sealed consistent with the case 6 law cited in the brief, particularly the Ninth Circuit case 7 cited there. We do not believe that there is a legal issue 8 with respect to that. It is not the same legal standard.

9 Secondly, our client has one matter that he would
10 like to have us address with respect to this issue of the
11 sealed motion, but it is classified. We need to go into
12 closed session in order to do so, so we make that request now
13 on his behalf.

14 MJ [COL POHL]: Let me do those things in that order.15 Trial counsel, you oppose sealing AE 11?

16 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, Your Honor, we do.

MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. One moment. Just so I'm clear,
Defense, we need to close proceedings only to present what you
believe to be classified information?

20 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Yes, Your Honor. We have a document 21 we would like to introduce that is classified -- or I should 22 say presumptively classified and we would like to do that and 23 we hereby give notice pursuant to Rule 505.

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1	MJ [COL POHL]: If we don't discuss the document, do the
2	proceedings need to be closed if I simply read it?
3	CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: If Your Honor will accept the
4	document, then. No, we would not need to do that.
5	MJ [COL POHL]: Trial Counsel?
6	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Your Honor, we have no objection to
7	you viewing the document in favor of keeping the proceedings
8	open, but note we received no previous notice under 505 there
9	would be classified materials.
10	MJ [COL POHL]: Do you know what document they are
11	talking about?
12	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: No.
13	MJ [COL POHL]: Let's do this, show it we will take a
14	recess. Show it to the Trial Counsel. If there is no
15	objection, then have the bailiff give it to me in chambers, I
16	will read it in chambers, and that way it won't close the
17	proceedings. If we need to do follow up on it, we will.
18	0kay?
19	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, Your Honor.
20	MJ [COL POHL]: The Commission is in recess.
21	[The Military Commission recessed at 1000,
22	February 29, 2012.]
23	MJ [COL POHL]: Please be seated. The commission is

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1 called to order. All parties are again present after the2 commission recess.

During the recess I reviewed the document
presented by the defense. The document will be labeled 11
Charlie. Given its classification as classified, it will go
into the classified part of the record of trial. Anything
further from either side on this issue? Defense?

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MJ [COL POHL]: Trial Counsel?

CDC 2 [MR. DIXON]: No, your Honor.

10 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Your Honor, we would just like to 11 note for the record that we hadn't previously received the 505 12 notice. The defense counsel just provided us with a copy of 13 the document which we reviewed and Your Honor has before you. 14 We would also just like to submit that the defense has not 15 laid any foundation or authenticated that document.

Also, Your Honor, I should probably note for the
record that we are also -- while the proceedings are being
have resumed, we are also being broadcast via
closed-circuit television to Fort Meade as well.

20 MJ [COL POHL]: Didn't you hear me say that?
21 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: I didn't.

MJ [COL POHL]: You don't need do it each time. Assumeit is there.

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Defense, your motion to redact parts of the
 pretrial agreement is denied. Before I make findings, do you
 wish to consult with your client whether or not he wishes to
 continue with his guilty plea because the nature of the
 findings will disclose some of the information which you did
 not wish to be disclosed?

7 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Can we have a moment, Your Honor?
8 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure.

9 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Question with respect to your ruling,
10 Your Honor. Is that as to both parts of the motion or is that
11 simply as to the selected portions of the PTA and appendix?

MJ [COL POHL]: Your motion to redact parts of the OTP and the PTA is denied. Your motion to seal the document is -to seal AE 11 Alpha and 11 Bravo is provisionally granted at this time.

16 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Thank you.

MJ [COL POHL]: I will issue a written ruling on that later, but it is easier to seal it and unseal it than to try to unseal it and seal it. That part of your motion is granted at this time. You know, I will do a separate ruling on that all together, that is just a provisional ruling, but that is my inclination on that.

23 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Understood. Thank you, Your Honor.

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MJ [COL POHL]: I'm only talking about the redactionissue right now.

3 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Yes.

4 MJ [COL POHL]: Got it.

5 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Your Honor ----

6 MJ [COL POHL]: Would you like a short recess? Okay.
7 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Your Honor, we consulted with our
8 client and we are ready to proceed.

9 MJ [COL POHL]: Concerning defense motion Appellate
10 Exhibit 11, the Court makes the following findings. The
11 Commission reserves the right to supplement these findings
12 upon reviewing the record of trial.

13 First of all, much of the requested redacted 14 information is in the public record. The Commission 15 recognizes the fact it is in the public domain does not 16 necessarily mean it has the same weight as if actually 17 confirmed when released through the Commission process, but, 18 in the larger scheme of things, the Commission finds that the 19 issue with the accused pleading guilty before this Commission, 20 that even if the redacted information were not released, the 21 presumption, inference, thought that the accused was going to 22 cooperate with the United States government in other areas is 23 basically common knowledge.

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1 The defense's concern -- the Commission is aware 2 of the defense's concern; however, it does not believe a 3 redaction would be necessary to ensure the physical safety of 4 other individuals since the nature of the plea itself and the 5 nature of the information that is already in the public domain 6 would be sufficient -- provide information to those who wish 7 to threaten the safety of others without the redaction --8 without having the information that is being requested to be 9 redacted. And, therefore, balancing that interest with the 10 need for a public trial in accordance with Rule 806, the Court 11 does -- the Commission does not find it is necessary to redact 12 the information. As I said before, therefore, the defense 13 motion to redact the information is denied. The defense 14 motion to seal Appellate Exhibit 11 is, as I said before, 15 provisionally granted.

Any question about the Commission's rulings?
TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: No, sir.

18 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: No, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, Mr. Khan, your counsel has entered
a plea of guilty for you and you told me earlier that that is
your plea in this case. Is that still correct?

22 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

23 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Now your plea of guilty will not

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be accepted unless you understand its meanings and effect.
 Now, at this time I will have probably a rather lengthy
 discussion with you about your guilty plea about the pretrial
 agreement, about the stipulations of fact. During the course
 of the discussion, I may use some legal terms or some other
 terms that you just don't understand.

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay.

MJ [COL POHL]: If you have any questions of me or you
need to talk to your lawyer, just tell me and we will take
whatever time it takes. This is your day at this Commission
and, therefore, it is important that you understand completely
everything that goes along. Do you understand that?

13 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: There is no time limit for how long this
15 is to take. It is important that you understand it, and if it
16 takes a long time, so be it. Do you understand that?

17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: A plea of guilty is the strongest form of proof known to the law. On the basis of your plea alone, without receiving any evidence, this Commission can find you guilty of the offense to which you have pled guilty. Your guilty pleas will not be accepted by me unless you realize that by your pleas you admit every act and every element of

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the offense to which you have pled guilty. In addition, your
 pleas will not be accepted unless I am convinced that you're
 pleading guilty because you are, in fact, guilty under United
 States law. If you do not think that you are guilty under
 United States law, you should not plead guilty.

6 In addition, I cannot and will not accept your 7 plea unless, after making my inquiry, I'm satisfied either 8 there is a factual basis for the plea or that you voluntarily 9 agree that, having viewed the evidence the government intends 10 to introduce against you, you are personally convinced the 11 prosecution could prove you guilty to the offense to which you 12 are pleading guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Do you 13 understand that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do.

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, if at any time, as I said before,
you are confused or have any questions, just stop me and talk
it over with your lawyers. Do you understand that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do.

MJ [COL POHL]: By your plea of guilty, you waive three
important rights. First of all, you waive the right of
self-incrimination, that is the right to say nothing at all
about these offenses. Second, you waive the right to a trial
of the facts by the Military Commission, that is your right to

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1 have a commission decide whether or not you are guilty based
2 upon evidence presented by the government and, if you choose
3 to do so, by the defense. Third, you waive the right to
4 confront the witnesses called against you and to call
5 witnesses on your behalf in the findings portion of this
6 Commission. Do you understand these rights?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I do.

8 MJ [COL POHL]: If you plead guilty, there will not be a
9 trial of any kind as to the offense to which you are pleading
10 guilty. By pleading guilty, you give up the three rights I
11 just described. Do you understand that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

13 MJ [COL POHL]: Even if you believe you are guilty, you 14 still have the legal and moral right to enter a plea of not 15 guilty and require the government to prove its case against 16 you, if it can, by legal and competent evidence beyond a 17 reasonable doubt. If you were to plead not guilty, then you 18 would be presumed under the law to be innocent and only by 19 introducing evidence proving your guilt beyond a reasonable 20 doubt could the government overcome this presumption of 21 innocence. Do you understand this?

22 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

23 MJ [COL POHL]: Have you discussed this with your

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1 lawyers? 2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I have, sir. 3 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you agree to give up these three 4 rights with regard to the offense to which you have pled 5 guilty and to answer my questions? 6 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I do. 7 MJ [COL POHL]: If you continue with your guilty plea, 8 you will be placed under oath and I will question you whether 9 you are, in fact, guilty. Do you understand this? 10 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: You should also understand if you tell 12 me anything that is untrue, your statements may be used 13 against you later charging you with perjury or making false 14 statements. Do you understand this? 15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes. 16 MJ [COL POHL]: Trial Counsel, please place the accused 17 under oath. Mr. Khan, please stand. 18 [The Accused was sworn.] 19 MJ [COL POHL]: Please be seated. 20 [The Accused and Counsel did as directed.] 21 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, as I said before, there is a 22 pretrial agreement in this case. As part of the pretrial 23 agreement, I understand there is a stipulation of fact. The

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1 stipulation of fact is marked what? Trial Counsel, what is 2 the stipulation? 3 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Prosecution Exhibit 1 for 4 identification, Your Honor. 5 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you have a copy of it? 6 Mr. Khan, do you have a copy of the stipulation of 7 fact with you? Defense, do you have any objection to the 8 admission of Prosecution Exhibit 1, the stipulation of fact? 9 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: No objection, Your Honor. 10 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, I'm going to ask you to turn 11 to page 17, please. 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I'm there. 13 MJ [COL POHL]: Did you sign this stipulation on this 14 page? 15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I did. 16 MJ [COL POHL]: Prior to signing the stipulation, did 17 you read it, discuss it with your attorneys? 18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I have, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you understand everything contained 20 within the stipulation of fact? 21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Pretty much, yes, sir. Yes, I do. 22 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, I understand there will be 23 some language that we would normally use. And so when you

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1 said pretty much, you notice it has to be -- it is all or
2 nothing. Do you understand everything in the stipulation of
3 fact?

4 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do.

5 MJ [COL POHL]: Counsel for both sides agree to the6 stipulation and those are your signatures?

- 7 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.
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DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir.

9 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, I want you to understand how a 10 stipulation of fact is to be used. A stipulation of fact is 11 an agreement between the Trial Counsel, the Defense Counsel 12 and yourself that the counts in the stipulation are the 13 uncontradicted facts in the case. You have the right not to 14 enter into this stipulation and this stipulation will not be 15 accepted without your consent. Do you understand?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I understand that.

MJ [COL POHL]: If you have any questions about anything
I'm stating or anything I'm asking you, please consult with
your counsel. Now, Mr. Khan, this stipulation contains an
introductory paragraph and 112 numbered paragraphs. Now, have
you thoroughly reviewed this stipulation with your counsel?

22 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I have, sir.

23 MJ [COL POHL]: Are you voluntarily entering into this

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1 stipulation?

2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 3 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you think it is in your best interest 4 to enter into the stipulation? 5 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No doubt, sir. 6 MJ [COL POHL]: In reviewing this document, is there any 7 part of it to which you do not want to consent? 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sorry. Repeat that, sir. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Having reviewed the stipulation, is 10 there any part you do not want to consent to? 11 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No. 12 MJ [COL POHL]: Has anyone forced or threatened you to 13 enter this stipulation? 14 WIT: No. 15 MJ [COL POHL]: If I admit the stipulation into 16 evidence, it will be used in two ways. First, I will use it 17 to determine whether, in fact, you are guilty to the offense 18 which you pled guilty. Second, it will be given later to 19 court members, they will have it with them when they decide 20 upon the sentence. Do you understand that? 21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I do. 22 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you agree to these uses? 23 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes.

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1	MJ [COL POHL]: Do counsel for both sides agree?
2	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, Your Honor.
3	DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir.
4	MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, ordinarily a stipulation of
5	fact cannot be contradicted or questioned after it has been
6	entered into evidence. That is, after it has been admitted
7	into evidence, you cannot argue later the information
8	contained in the stipulation is false. Do you understand
9	that?
10	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do.
11	MJ [COL POHL]: If
12	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Your Honor, just give me a second.
13	MJ [COL POHL]: Sure.
14	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, we can go ahead.
15	MJ [COL POHL]: Now, if this stipulation should be
16	questioned or contradicted after I accept your guilty pleas,
17	then I would have to go back and reopen the inquiry into your
18	pleas. This would mean you would need to let me know at this
19	point in the hearing if there is anything at all you disagree
20	with or anything you feel is untrue in the stipulation. Do
21	you agree with that?
22	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I understand, sir. I have I

23 don't disagree.

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1	MJ [COL POHL]: Do you admit the information contained
2	in the stipulation is true and correct to the best of your
3	knowledge and belief?
4	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.
5	MJ [COL POHL]: Defense Counsel, any objection to PE 1
6	for identification?
7	DC [LTC JACKSON]: No objection.
8	[PE 1 for identification is admitted into
9	evidence.]
10	MJ [COL POHL]: Subject to my acceptance of the
11	accused's guilty plea, any objection?
12	DC [LTC JACKSON]: No objection.
13	MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, do you have a copy of the
14	charge sheet, please?
15	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Give me a second, Your Honor.
16	MJ [COL POHL]: Take your time.
17	ACC [MR. KHAN]: I do have it right now, sir.
18	MJ [COL POHL]: What I'm going to do now is explain to
19	you the elements of each of the offenses to which you pled
20	guilty. When I use the term "elements," I'm referring to the
21	facts the government would have to prove beyond a reasonable
22	doubt before you could be found guilty if you had pled not
23	guilty. After I list the elements for you, we will have a

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1 discussion regarding the circumstances surrounding the2 offenses.

3 Let's begin with Charge I and the Specification. 4 In the Specification of Charge I, you have pled guilty to 5 conspiracy to commit murder in violation of the law of war, 6 providing material support for terrorism and spying. The 7 elements of the offense are as follows: 1, that you, Majid 8 Shoukat Khan, are a person subject to trial by military 9 commission as an alien unprivileged enemy belligerent; two, 10 that at various locations within the United States, Pakistan, 11 Indonesia, Thailand and elsewhere from about January 2002 to 12 about August 2003, you entered into an agreement with Usama 13 bin Laden, Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, Ali Abdul al-Aziz Ali, 14 Encep Nurjamen, Mohammed Nazir bin Lep, Mohammed Farik bin 15 Amin, and other members and associates of the al Qaeda 16 organization and its affiliated groups, known and unknown, to 17 commit one or more substantive offenses triable by military 18 commission, to wit: Murder in violation of the law of war, 19 providing material support for terrorism and spying; 3, that 20 you knew the unlawful purpose of the agreement, that is, with 21 intent to further the unlawful purpose; and 4, that you 22 knowingly committed one or more of the overt acts in order to 23 accomplish some objective or purpose of the agreement or

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1 enterprise.

2 The overt acts themselves are listed on the charge 3 sheet beginning with paragraph 8 through paragraph 61. 4 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sorry, I was a little lost. 5 MJ [COL POHL]: That is okay. Take your time. 6 ACC [MR. KHAN]: The part -- you said something about 7 Usama bin Laden, I just assume you were saying that I have a 8 personal association with Usama bin Laden. I never met him, 9 obviously. I want to make it clear there was no conspiracy 10 with him. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. I may need to give you a break. 12 Mr. Khan, the law of conspiracy, there are other elements I will talk to you about later on, is a relatively potentially 13 14 complicated legal concept. Okay? So, take time with your

15 lawyers to make sure you understand. What I'm saying is, for
16 example, you need not to know every other member of the
17 conspiracy under the law of conspiracy. That is just one
18 example. Go ahead and talk to your lawyers. They will
19 explain.

20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Even the name there, that doesn't mean
21 I have personal association with the person and ----

MJ [COL POHL]: It just means that he was part of theconspiracy even if you never talked to him.

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1	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Never talked to him, okay. Even you
2	could be part of the conspiracy, you may not even know that
3	there is going to be conspiracy or just
4	MJ [COL POHL]: Talk it over with your lawyers.
5	ACC [MR. KHAN]: All right.
6	Sorry, Your Honor, where were we?
7	MJ [COL POHL]: Do you understand that, at least on that
8	part of it, you need not know actually meet all the other
9	conspirators as long as they were all in conspiracy together?
10	Do you understand that?
11	ACC [MR. KHAN]: I understand now, sir.
12	MJ [COL POHL]: I'm going to discuss a little bit about
13	what a conspiracy is. Two or more persons are required in
14	order to have a conspiracy. Knowledge of the identity of the
15	co-conspirators and their particular connection with the
16	agreement or enterprise need not be shown. A person may be
17	guilty of conspiracy even though incapable committing the
18	intended offense. Additionally, the agreement or conspiracy
19	doesn't have to be written or in any specific form or even put
20	into formal words. It is sufficient if the minds of the
21	parties reach a common understanding to accomplish the object
22	of the conspiracy, and this may be proved by the conduct of
23	the parties. The agreement does not have to express the

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1 manner in which the conspiracy is to be carried out or what2 part each conspirator is to play.

In a conspiracy, the agreement must, at least in part, include the commission or intended commission of one or more offenses triable by military commission. A single conspiracy may embrace several criminal offenses. The agreement in a conspiracy doesn't have to include knowledge that the intended offense is, in fact, triable by military commission.

10 The elements of the offense which you are charged 11 with conspiracy to commit, namely, murder in violation of the 12 law of war, material support to terrorism and spying are as I 13 will explain later to you for charges II, IV and V. Proof 14 that the offense of murder in violation of the law of war, 15 material support to terrorism and spying actually occurred is 16 not required for conspiracy. However, the agreement must 17 include every element of the offenses of murder in violation 18 of the law of war, material support to terrorism and spying.

Even though you as the accused must be subject to
the Military Commissions Act, other co-conspirators need not
be. After the agreement, an overt act must be committed by
you and must have been done for the purpose of bringing about
the intended end result of the conspiracy. The overt act

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1 itself need not be a criminal act, but it must have been done2 to bring about the purpose of the conspiracy.

3 Mr. Khan, I'm about to go through what is called 4 vicarious liability of co-conspirators because this will come 5 up later on. Each conspirator is liable for the offenses 6 committed pursuant to or in furtherance of the conspiracy by 7 any of the co-conspirators after such conspirator has joined 8 the conspiracy while the conspiracy continues and such 9 conspirator remains party to it. That the object of the 10 conspiracy wasn't possible to effect is not a defense to this 11 In other words, you are criminally liable for crimes offense. 12 committed by other co-conspirators in furtherance of the 13 conspiracy even though you didn't commit the other crimes or 14 know what the crime was as long as the crime was part of the 15 conspiracy. Do you understand that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, I will discuss in greater
detail later on, but I am going to give you the biggest
example of this. According to the stipulation of fact, you
were apprehended by law enforcement in March of '03, correct?
ACC [MR. KHAN]: Your Honor, March 1, '03, yes, sir.
MJ [COL POHL]: If you look at the charge sheet,
specifically Charge II, specification 1 of Charge II deals

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1 with the bombing of the Marriott hotel in Jakarta, Indonesia. 2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 3 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, that bombing occurred after you had 4 been apprehended. It occurred in August of '03, correct? 5 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, that was in August. 6 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, even though at that time you were 7 not free to participate since you were in custody, because you 8 were still part of the conspiracy, you are still criminally 9 responsible for that bombing that occurred months after you 10 were incarcerated. Do you understand that? 11 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yeah. 12 MJ [COL POHL]: So later on when I say -- when I talk 13 about the murder offense, for example, when I say you did 14 commit the bombing, what I mean is not you personally but you 15 in a legal sense because you were part of a conspiracy that 16 did the bombing. Do you understand that? 17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 18 MJ [COL POHL]: I just want to stop at this point to 19 discuss that part of it because it's -- a lot of people -- it 20 is difficult for nonlawyers to understand, but even though you 21 are in -- since March of '03 are in custody, you are still 22 criminally responsible for the acts of your co-conspirators 23 that occurred in August of '03. Do you understand that?

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I do, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Understanding you weren't there.
ACC [MR. KHAN]: No, let me speak, please. I ---MJ [COL POHL]: It is kind of a complicated legal issue
I want to make sure you understand.

6 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sure, I want to speak a little bit. 7 I'm scared. I'm using common sense in a lot of sense, but I 8 think during the stipulation of facts, if you read through, 9 the fact of the matter is, even though I delivered the money, 10 the fact of the matter is that I did not know where the money 11 was going. But I voluntarily did that. I was not aware of 12 any conspiracy that was going to happen. I was going to carry 13 out attacks, but I did that voluntarily, but that's part of 14 the conspiracy, correct?

15 MJ [COL POHL]: I want to make sure we are back to what 16 the agreement says. When you joined this conspiracy in 17 January of '02, although you may not have known exactly the 18 specific acts -- the specific incidents that were going to 19 occur, did you agree to participate in as part of the 20 conspiracy to commit murder in violation of the law of war, to 21 provide material support to terrorism and to spy, even though 22 you didn't necessarily know about the Marriott bombing at any 23 time?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: All I can say, sir, I volunteered to
do that. I ----

3 MJ [COL POHL]: It is a very specific question. I will4 give you a recess. It is critical to the whole charge.

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

6 MJ [COL POHL]: Part of the agreement in this case that 7 you are pleading guilty to says you agreed to commit -- to 8 join with others to commit murder in violation of the law of 9 war, to commit material support to terrorism and to commit 10 spying. And my question is, I will give you a break if you 11 need time, is when you -- in January of '02, wherever you were 12 at, did you agree to do those things, although you may not 13 have known exactly how they were going to be carried out, 14 either at that time or subsequent to it?

Before you answer that, talk to your lawyers.
ACC [MR. KHAN]: January of '02? That would be -- are
we talking about probably January '03? This is when I went to
Thailand.

19 [The Accused confers with counsel.]
20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Judge -- Your Honor, if you can
21 rephrase it, your question, in a sense that easier -- is easy
22 for me -- for me to say, you know, exactly what you are
23 asking.

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1 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay.

2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Please.

MJ [COL POHL]: I'm going to go back, Defense. If you
think I'm misstating either the law or the specification, stop
me. You are charged with a conspiracy that ran from January
'02 through August of '03.

7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I got that now. And anything in8 between.

9 MJ [COL POHL]: Exactly. Now, part of a conspiracy is
10 an agreement between the co-conspirators, two or more people,
11 to commit an illegal act, a crime. Okay? Do you understand
12 that?

13 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

14 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, as charged in this case, they are 15 saying that you agreed to join this conspiracy, the people I 16 named, you notice also it says people known and unknown so, it 17 could be other people in the conspiracy not named, and that 18 this conspiracy of those named and unnamed conspirators had an 19 agreement to commit three crimes: Murder in violation of the 20 law of war, providing material support for terrorism, and 21 spying. Do you understand that?

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I understand. But we are
not talking about a specific event here, we are talking about

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1 the whole -- about one area in general.

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MJ [COL POHL]: Well ----

3 ACC [MR. KHAN]: You are not talking specifically about4 Marriott bombing overall.

5 MJ [COL POHL]: What I'm saying, we are not talking 6 about the Marriott bombing at all at this point. What I'm 7 saying, beginning in January of 'O2 when you traveled, I 8 believe, to Pakistan or ----

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

10 MJ [COL POHL]: ---- you joined these people that I 11 talked about to commit those crimes. That agreement that you 12 made was started in January of '02 even though the crimes 13 themselves did not occur -- at least for them, for the 14 bombing, didn't occur until August of '03. So the conspiracy 15 begins with the agreement to commit those crimes, with me, and 16 then continues for another approximately year and a half?

ACC [MR. KHAN]: I wish it was that straightforward
answer because I fully understand what you are trying to say.
The words you are trying to use "joined" as if I took an oath,
you know ----

21 MJ [COL POHL]: No, no.

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I started doing things in
January, not beginning of January -- January of 2002 until

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March of 2003. Yes, I volunteered to do a lot of things. The
 word "joined" to me is like you actually take an oath under
 Sheikh. So that is why -- yes, I understand I volunteered all
 these three things that you mentioned. I do agree on this,
 sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: I'm just using "join" in a colloquial
American sense, not that you took an oath or -- actually you
don't have to say anything. You just said I agreed to do
these things with these other people ----

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes.

MJ [COL POHL]: ---- some of which -- like, for example,
you never met Usama bin Laden. But if he was part of it, then
he is just -- you know, he is part of the same conspiracy.
Are you with me on that?

15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

16 MJ [COL POHL]: Let me just clarify one other thing.17 You were arrested or apprehended in March of '03.

18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. But did you withdraw from theconspiracy between March of '03 and August of '03?

21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Repeat that, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: What I'm saying is you just said
something that from January of '02 until March of '03 you were

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1 part of the conspiracy.

2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

3 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, the bombing in Jakarta occurred in4 August of '03.

5 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: In August of '03, were you still part of
The conspiracy? Were you still part of this group to do this?
Even though you couldn't do anything, I got that.

9 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Exactly, I was captured. You know10 what happened to us.

MJ [COL POHL]: I got that part, but I'm saying were you still part of the conspiracy so you are still criminally liable for the bombing in August even though, obviously, you were not there you may not have even known about it. Do you understand?

16 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

17 MJ [COL POHL]: So were you still part of the conspiracy18 in August of '03?

19 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Do you understand -- physically I
 understand you weren't there anymore, you were somewhere else.

22 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I mean ----

23 MJ [COL POHL]: I got that part, but under the law you

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1 are still part of the conspiracy.

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Even if a person wants to withdraw, he cannot possibly withdraw from the conspiracy because he is illegally kidnapped even if he wants to change his mind. Not that I'm saying I did change my mind.

MJ [COL POHL]: Let's not talk about what didn't happen,
it will be confusing enough as we talk about what did happen.
I'm saying in August of '03 you believe you were still part of
the conspiracy?

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. Because during -- after
August -- March '03 when I was captured, you know, they asked
me information ----

MJ [COL POHL]: Don't go down -- I want to be careful we
don't slide into some classified areas. It is a simple
question. In August of '03 do you believe and admit you were
still part of the conspiracy?

17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, this confuses lawyers, so
don't -- so I understand the difficulty. But again, like I
said, we have got all the time in the world so make sure you
understand this.

Now, what I have just told you, do you now believeyou understand the elements and definition as I read them to

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you that constitute the offense of conspiracy in this case? 1 2 Do you feel you understand them? 3 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I'm sorry, sir. Would you repeat 4 that? 5 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you feel you now understand the 6 elements and definitions of the crime of conspiracy as charged 7 in this case? 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do now. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: I want you to go -- at this point to go 10 look at -- take the stipulation of fact, Prosecution 11 Exhibit 1. 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Where are we? 13 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you have it in front of you? 14 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I got it. 15 MJ [COL POHL]: I just want to go over what is called 16 the jurisdictional element of all these offenses. Look at 17 paragraph 1 and 2. 18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: Basically what it says you admitted that 20 you are an enemy unprivileged -- alien unprivileged enemy 21 belligerent as defined by the Commissions Act of 2009. Ιs 22 that correct? 23 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

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MJ [COL POHL]: And as you look in paragraph 2 of the
stipulation of fact.

3 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I'm there.

4 MJ [COL POHL]: You read all through that, we talked5 about it earlier, right?

6 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. Stipulation of fact, yes.

7 MJ [COL POHL]: And in each of these offenses one of the 8 elements are, as I stated before, you are an alien 9 unprivileged enemy belligerent as defined by the Military 10 Commissions Act as discussed in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the 11 stipulation of fact. And my question is, do you agree both 12 the stipulation of fact and as explained by your attorneys 13 that you are an alien unprivileged belligerent subject to 14 trial by military commissions?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do.

MJ [COL POHL]: I am not going to go over that for each offense but it applies to each offense. Do you understand that's an element of each offense? So you agree for all these offenses you meet that definition of an alien unprivileged enemy belligerent?

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Meaning I'm not part of armed forces orsomething.

23 MJ [COL POHL]: No, but it is more complicated than

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1 that.

2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I understand, sir. 3 MJ [COL POHL]: Good. Okay. Now, have you had an 4 opportunity to read the conspiracy specification? The 5 Charge I, have you had an opportunity to read that? 6 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Either the whole -- yes, sir. 7 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. It is a rather lengthy charge. 8 Now, after reviewing it, and this includes the specification 9 and the 61 paragraphs, seven of which are ----10 ACC [MR. KHAN]: 61? 11 MJ [COL POHL]: There are 61 paragraphs to it. 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: 61. 13 MJ [COL POHL]: The only legally significant ones are 14 paragraphs 8 through 61. 15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Paragraph 61. Paragraph 61. 16 MJ [COL POHL]: I want to make sure you understand that 17 Charge I, the conspiracy, is the specification, the little 18 paragraph to start, and the 61 follow-on paragraphs. 19 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 20 MJ [COL POHL]: You have had an opportunity to read that 21 and review all that? 22 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 23 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you believe and admit the elements,

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1 definitions, all of what is in there, including the 61
2 paragraphs, accurately describe what you did or accurately
3 describe what you, having reviewed the evidence, believe can
4 be proven against you beyond a reasonable doubt?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes.

6 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, I want to take a look at 7 specification -- excuse me, The Specification of Charge II. 8 In The Specification of Charge II, you have pled guilty to the 9 offense of murder in violation of the law of war. The 10 elements of this offense are as follows: 1, that you, Majid 11 Shoukat Khan, are a person subject to trial by military 12 commissions as an alien unprivileged enemy belligerent; 2, 13 that the eleven persons shown at Appendix A of the charge 14 sheet are dead; 3, that the death of these persons resulted 15 from your act in detonating a vehicle laden with explosives in 16 front of the J.W. Marriott Hotel on or about August 5, 2003 at 17 or near Jakarta, Indonesia; 4, that the killing was unlawful; 18 5, that you intended to kill the person or persons; 6, the 19 killing was in violation of the law of war; and 7, the killing 20 took place in the context of and was associated with 21 hostilities.

Now, I want to start out by saying you detonated a
vehicle laden with explosives. Do you understand when I say

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"you," I mean in the legal sense that we talked about earlier

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2 about conspiracy, because obviously you were not there, you 3 were somewhere else. But your fellow co-conspirators did blow 4 up the Marriott on that day, correct? 5 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yeah. 6 MJ [COL POHL]: And the 11 people who are listed in 7 Appendix A -- do you have that in front of him, Colonel 8 Jackson? 9 DC [LTC JACKSON]: I do. 10 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Those people I assume died? 11 MJ [COL POHL]: Well, let's change the word "assume." 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay. 13 MJ [COL POHL]: Based on the evidence presented, you 14 have no idea who these people are, I'm sure ----15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I have no way of knowing. 16 MJ [COL POHL]: ---- you are convinced these are the 11 17 people who died during the bombing? 18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: I am going to explain some legal terms 20 "In the context of and in association with hostilities" here. 21 means there is a connection between your actions and armed 22 hostilities. "Hostilities" means any conflict subject to the 23 laws of war. The term "kill" includes intentionally causing

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1 death, directly or indirectly, without legal justification or 2 excuse recalling what I told you earlier about your legal 3 culpability as a co-conspirator for the crimes of other 4 co-conspirators committed in furtherance of the conspiracy. 5 You may be convicted in a military commission for this offense 6 if the person intentionally attacked a protected person. The 7 term "protected person" means any person entitled to 8 protection under one or more of the Geneva Conventions, 9 including persons who are not members of enemy armed forces 10 not otherwise engaged in hostile acts, meaning those acts, 11 which, by their nature and purpose, are intended to cause 12 actual harm to the personnel and equipment of an enemy's armed 13 forces.

14 Do you understand the elements and definitions as15 I read them to you?

16 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, you have had an opportunity to readthe specification of Charge II. Have you done that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: After reviewing The Specification of Charge II, do you believe and admit that these elements and definitions either accurately describe what you did or accurately describe what you, having reviewed the evidence,

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admit could be proven against you beyond a reasonable doubt?
 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

3 MJ [COL POHL]: Please look at Charge III. Τn 4 Specification 1 of Charge III, you are charged with the 5 offense of attempted murder in violation of the law of war. 6 The elements of this offense are as follows: 1, that you, 7 Majid Shoukat Khan, are a person subject to trial by military 8 commission as an alien unprivileged enemy belligerent; 2, that 9 you did intentionally detonate a vehicle laden with explosives 10 in front of the J.W. Marriott Hotel on or about August 5, 2003 11 at or near Jakarta, Indonesia; 3, that these acts were done 12 with the specific intent to commit murder in violation of the 13 law of war, that is, to kill protected persons, an offense 14 under Chapter 47 Alpha of Title 10, United States Code; 4, 15 that your acts amounted to more than mere preparation; and 5, 16 that your acts apparently tended to effect the commission of 17 the intended offense.

Look at Specification 2 of Charge III. Again you are charged with the offense of attempted murder in violation of the law of war. In this offense the following elements apply: 1, that you, Majid Shoukat Khan, are a person subject to trial by military commission as an alien unprivileged enemy belligerent; 2, that on or about March 8, 2002 at or near

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1 Karachi, Pakistan, you did certain acts, that is, wear a vest 2 containing an improvised explosive device and traveling to a 3 mosque where you expected Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf 4 to be with the intention of detonating the vest and killing 5 President Musharraf: 3. that these acts were done with the 6 specific intent to intentionally and unlawfully kill Pakistani 7 President Pervez Musharraf in violation of the law of war; 4, 8 that your acts amounted to more than mere preparation; 5, that 9 your acts apparently tended to effect the commission of the 10 intended offense.

At this time I want to explain some terms that are relevant to these definitions. An act, done with specific intent to commit an offense under this chapter, amounting to more than mere preparation and tending, even though failing, to effect its commission, is an attempt to commit that offense.

What that means is that the act -- intended offense is murder here. The act would have caused the murder except for something else, in this case at the J.W. Marriott the people listed in Appendix B were not killed, rather they were injured by the explosion. Do you agree with that?

22 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

23 MJ [COL POHL]: As far as the Pakistani president, is

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1 that you went there and did what was described here with a
2 suicide vest with intent to kill him but he just didn't happen
3 to show up that day.

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: So therefore that is why it didn't occur
but your acts were more than mere preparation. Do you
understand?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

9 MJ [COL POHL]: Preparation consists of devising or 10 arranging means or measures apparently necessary for the 11 commission of the offense. The act need not be the last act 12 essential to the consummation of the offense. The combination 13 of specific intent to commit an offense, plus the commission 14 of an act apparently tending to further its accomplishment, 15 constitutes the offense of attempt. If the facts were as you 16 believed them, and under those facts your conduct would 17 constitute the offense of murder in violation of the law of 18 war, you are guilty of attempted murder in violation of the 19 law of war even though under the facts as they actually 20 existed it may have been impossible for you to complete the 21 offense of murder in violation of the law of war.

What that means with President Musharraf is hejust happened not to be there. That is the thing that

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1	prevented you from doing more than talk about it. You
2	actually had gone there and done some things with the intent
3	to kill him; is that correct?
4	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.
5	MJ [COL POHL]: To constitute an attempt there must be a
6	specific intent to commit the offense accompanied by an act
7	that tends to accomplish the unlawful purpose. The intent
8	need not involve knowledge that the offense is, in fact,
9	triable by military commission.
10	Mr. Khan, do you understand the elements and
11	definitions as I read them to you as they apply to each
12	specification?
13	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I understand.
14	MJ [COL POHL]: Have you had the opportunity to read
15	Specifications 1 and 2 of Charge III?
16	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I have.
17	MJ [COL POHL]: After reviewing Specifications 1 and 2
18	of Charge III, do you admit these elements and definitions
19	accurately describe what you did or accurately describe what
20	you, having reviewed the evidence, admit could be proven
21	against you beyond a reasonable doubt?
22	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.
23	MJ [COL POHL]: Do you have any questions about the

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1 elements and definitions or anything else I said regarding2 Specifications 1 or 2 of Charge III?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: No, sir.

4 MJ [COL POHL]: Let's now look at Charge IV. Ιn 5 Charge IV you pled guilty to two specifications of providing 6 material support for terrorism. In Specification 1 of 7 Charge IV the following elements apply: 1, that you, Majid 8 Shoukat Khan, are a person subject to trial by military 9 commission as an alien unprivileged enemy belligerent; 2, that 10 from on or about January 2002 to about March of '03 at various 11 locations within the United States, Pakistan, Thailand and 12 elsewhere you did provide material support or resources to be 13 used in preparation for or in carrying out an act of terrorism 14 as set forth in 10 U.S. Code 950t(24); to wit, property, 15 including currency or monetary instruments, and services, 16 including financial services and personnel, including 17 yourself; 3, that you knew or intended that the material 18 support or resources were to be used for those purposes; and 19 4, the conduct took place in the context of and was associated 20 with hostilities.

21 Specification 2 of Charge IV. That is again
22 providing material support to terrorism. In this case there
23 are five elements. 1, that you, Majid Shoukat Khan, are a

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1 person subject to trial by military commission as an alien 2 unprivileged enemy belligerent; 2, that from about January 3 2002 to about March 2003 at various locations within the 4 United States, Pakistan, Thailand and elsewhere, you provided material support or resources in the form of property, 5 6 including currency or monetary instruments, services, 7 including financial services, lodging, false documentation or 8 identification, communications equipment, explosives, 9 personnel, including yourself, and transportation to an 10 international terrorist organization engaged in hostilities 11 against the United States, to wit: al Qaeda and Jemaah 12 Islamiyah; 3, that you intended to provide such material 13 support or resources to such an international terrorist 14 organization; 4, that you knew that such organizations had 15 engaged in or engages in terrorism as set forth in 10 U.S. 16 Code 950t(24); and 5, the conduct took place in the context of 17 and was associated with hostilities.

Again, at this time I will explain to you some of the definitions that apply to these elements. The term material support or resources" has the meaning given that term in Section 2339 Alpha (bravo) of Title 18. The term material support or resources" means currency or monetary instruments or financial securities, financial services,

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lodging, training, expert advice or assistance, safehouses,
 false documentation or identification, communications
 equipment, facilities, weapons, lethal substances, explosives,
 personnel, transportation, and other physical assets, except
 medicine or religious materials.

6 "In the context of and in association with
7 hostilities" means that there is a connection between the
8 conduct and armed hostilities. "Hostilities" means any
9 conflict subject to the laws of war.

10 An "act of terrorism" as defined in 10 U.S. Code 11 950 tango(24) is: The intentional killing or infliction of 12 great bodily harm on one or more protected persons or engaging 13 in an act that evidences a wanton disregard for human life; 14 done in such a manner calculated to influence or affect the 15 conduct of government or civilian population by intimidation 16 or coercion, or to retaliate against government conduct; and 17 the killing, harm or wanton disregard for human life took 18 place in the context and was associated with hostilities.

19 Now, Mr. Khan, do you understand the elements and20 definitions as I have read them to you?

21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I fully understand, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, I will give you an opportunity toread Specification 1 and 2 of Charge IV.

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

2 MJ [COL POHL]: After reviewing Specification 1 and 2 of 3 Charge IV do you believe and admit that these elements and 4 definitions either accurately describe what you did or 5 accurately describe what you, having reviewed the evidence, 6 admit can be proven against you beyond a reasonable doubt? 7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, I want you to look at the last 9 charge and specification, or Charge V, spying. 10 The elements of the offense of spying are as 11 follows: That you, Majid Shoukat Khan, are a person subject 12 to trial by military commission as an alien unprivileged enemy 13 belligerent; 2, that from about January 2002 to about March 14 2003 at or near Karachi, Pakistan and Baltimore, Maryland you 15 collected or attempted to collect certain information by 16 clandestine means or while acting under false pretenses; 3, 17 that you intended or had reason to believe the information 18 collected would be used to injure the United States or to 19 provide advantage to a foreign power; 4, that you intended to 20 convey such information to an enemy of the United States or 21 one of the co-belligerents of the enemy; 5, the conduct was in 22 violation of the law of war; and 6, the conduct took place in 23 the context of and was associated with hostilities as I

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1 defined that term for you earlier.

2	At this time again I am going to explain what some
3	of the elements mean. For this offense a spy does not include
4	members of a military organization or others who carry out
5	their missions openly; even though they may have resorted to
6	concealment, they have not acted under false pretenses.
7	However, a member of a military organization who hides their
8	status or affiliation by wearing a disguise or civilian
9	clothing may be acting under false pretenses.
10	The term "clandestinely" means in disguise,
11	secretary, covertly, or under concealment. A "false pretense"
12	is any misrepresentation of a past or existing fact by a
13	person knows it to be untrue.
14	"Enemy" includes any entity with which the United
15	States or allied forces may be engaged in armed conflict, or
16	which is preparing to attack the United States. It is not
17	limited to foreign nations or foreign military organizations
18	or members thereof.
19	"Enemy" specifically includes any organization of
20	terrorists with international reach.
21	It is not essential that you obtain the
22	information sought or that you actually communicate it.
23	However, this offense requires some form of clandestine

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1 action, lurking about, false pretenses or deception with the 2 intent to provide the information to the enemy. 3 Mr. Khan, do you understand the elements and 4 definitions as I have read them to you? 5 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do. 6 MJ [COL POHL]: Did you have an opportunity to read 7 Section V? 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Did I have the opportunity? 9 MJ [COL POHL]: To read this charge. 10 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I have. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: After reading the charge and reviewing 12 it, do you believe and admit that these elements and 13 definitions either accurately describe what you did or 14 accurately describe what you, having viewed the evidence, 15 believe can be proven against you beyond a reasonable doubt? 16 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 17 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, I also reviewed the 18 stipulation of fact and how these relate to all these 19 offenses. Do you agree the stipulation of facts accurately 20 lists the facts as it relates to all the offenses I just 21 discussed with you? ACC [MR. KHAN]: To the best of my knowledge, yes, sir. 22 23 MJ [COL POHL]: Do either side believe there is a need

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1 for further inquiry on the part of the accused? 2 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: No, Your Honor. 3 DC [LTC JACKSON]: No, sir. 4 MJ [COL POHL]: I calculate the maximum punishment 5 authorized based solely on the accused's plea to be 6 confinement for life and a fine. Both sides agree? 7 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir. 8 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, do you understand based on 10 your plea alone the maximum penalty authorized is life 11 imprisonment and a fine. Do you understand that? 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 13 MJ [COL POHL]: Counsel, before I discuss the pretrial 14 agreement, would you like a comfort break? 15 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: The government is fine. I don't know if Mr. Khan would like a break. 16 17 MJ [COL POHL]: I will ask both sides. Would you like a 18 break? 19 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No, sir, I want to continue. 20 MJ [COL POHL]: You want to continue? 21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes. 22 MJ [COL POHL]: What is the number of the pretrial 23 agreement?

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1 [Military Judge conferred with court reporter.] 2 MJ [COL POHL]: I have before me what is marked as the 3 pretrial agreement in this case. The offer portion of the 4 pretrial agreement is marked as Appellate Exhibit 12 and the quantum portion as Appellate Exhibit 13. 5 6 Mr. Khan, do you have a copy of both of these 7 documents in front of you? 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sorry, sir. The pretrial agreement I 9 do have, and what was the second copy? 10 The second one is the appendix. I'm not MJ [COL POHL]: 11 sure if you separated, we have them labeled two separate ones. 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir I do. 13 MJ [COL POHL]: Looking at the first one, the pretrial 14 agreement, a 7-page document, is that your signature on 15 page 7? 16 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Page 7? 17 MJ [COL POHL]: Yes. 18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, that is my signature, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: And on page 2 of Appendix A, the other 20 document, that's also your signature? 21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: That is also my signature, sir. 22 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, did your counsel explain both these 23 documents to vou?

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, they have. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: Did you thoroughly read them before you 3 signed them? 4 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 5 MJ [COL POHL]: Again, you speak very good English, so these are in English, you understood everything that was in 6 7 here; is that correct? 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Anyone force you in any way to enter 10 this agreement? 11 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No, sir. 12 MJ [COL POHL]: Does this agreement contain all the 13 understandings or agreements you have in the case? 14 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sorry, I didn't hear you. Would you 15 repeat that? 16 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure. Does this agreement contain all 17 the understandings or agreements you have in this case? 18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: By that I mean there is nothing that you 20 think might happen in your case that aren't written down here? 21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Like side deals? No. No. 22 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, you may hope for other things to 23 happen, but that is just not part of the agreement.

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: Side deals is what I was talking about. 3 Counsel, Appellate Exhibits 12 and 13 are the full 4 and complete agreement in this case. Are you satisfied there 5 are no other agreements? Trial Counsel? 6 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, Your Honor, we agree. 7 MJ [COL POHL]: Defense? 8 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, as a general rule in a 10 pretrial agreement, you agree to enter pleas of guilty and, in 11 return, the Convening Authority agrees to take action in your 12 case, usually in the form of limiting the sentence he will 13 approve. Do you understand that? 14 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 15 MJ [COL POHL]: Now, Mr. Khan, I know you are talking to 16 Colonel Jackson when I ask you a guestion. If you don't hear 17 the question, I will repeat it. Don't think you have to say ves because it is your time to talk. 18 19 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sir, would you repeat that then? 20 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. I'm not sure you heard that. As 21 general rule, a pretrial agreement -- in a pretrial agreement 22 you agree to enter pleas of guilty; in return, the Convening 23 Authority agrees to take favorable action in your case even in

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1 the sentence he will approve. Do you understand that? 2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes. 3 MJ [COL POHL]: The law -- and I have to go over the 4 agreement with you. This is lengthy. You told me you read it 5 thoroughly? ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I have. 6 7 MJ [COL POHL]: You believe you understand the whole 8 thing? 9 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 10 MJ [COL POHL]: I will go over some of the provisions 11 with you but not all of them. Do you understand that? 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. Give me a second, sir. 13 I'm ready. 14 MJ [COL POHL]: Just because I don't mention a 15 particular paragraph, if you have a question, we can discuss 16 it, but the agreement is everything, even if I don't mention 17 it. Do you understand that? 18 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: The first paragraph talks about how you 20 have had an opportunity to discuss it with your counsel, you 21 read the charges against you. Have you had enough opportunity 22 to talk this over with your lawyers? 23 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

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1	MJ [COL POHL]: And they have talked it over with you.								
2	You understand you could plead not guilty if you wanted to.								
3	Do you understand that?								
4	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
5	MJ [COL POHL]: After talking it over with your lawyers,								
6	thinking about it, understanding the evidence, you do								
7	voluntarily enter in this pretrial agreement?								
8	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. Give me a second, sir. I								
9	understood you will talk to me about Appendix A as well.								
10	MJ [COL POHL]: I will get to that.								
11	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Thank you.								
12	MJ [COL POHL]: I try to do these things in order, but I								
13	may go slightly out of order.								
14	First of all, I want to talk about since things								
15	have been changed, is paragraph 8. We will discuss later what								
16	is called the quantum portion of the agreement.								
17	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Paragraph number 8?								
18	MJ [COL POHL]: Yes.								
19	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
20	MJ [COL POHL]: There has been a pen and ink change on								
21	here and I want to make sure everybody understands.								
22	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Approved.								
23	MJ [COL POHL]: Approved.								

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: Again, some of these things will be 3 taken out of order, there is no other of way of doing it. 4 Part of the agreement is that the sentence in your case, 5 instead of starting tomorrow or sooner, is going to be 6 scheduled for four years from today. 7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: You understand that? 9 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes. 10 MJ [COL POHL]: I will talk to you about that in a 11 second. 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 13 MJ [COL POHL]: But any period of confinement credit 14 will begin today off what is called the approved sentence. By 15 that I mean -- let's assume four years from now we do 16 sentencing. Those four years will count against your sentence 17 of confinement for what the Convening Authority finally 18 approves. So if that is less than what the members give you, 19 it comes off the lesser sentence. Do you understand that? 20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: It's kind of a term of art, but it is an
important distinction. Because as we talk about later on what
the years will be, if it came off the adjudged sentence, you

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1 may not get as much credit as we talk about later on. It 2 comes off the approved sentence, understand that? 3 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes. 4 MJ [COL POHL]: It's a technical legal term your counsel 5 can explain to you in detail. I want to make sure everybody 6 understands because there is a change in this coming off that 7 part not the adjudged sentence. 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes. Okay. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: And then, Trial Counsel, you agree to 10 that change, correct? 11 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir, that is correct. 12 MJ [COL POHL]: Go ahead. 13 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I understand. 14 MJ [COL POHL]: Let me do it this way. 15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sorry, I was suggesting if you are 16 talking about numbers, it will just make more sense, like 17 okay ----18 MJ [COL POHL]: Let me do it this way. Let's talk about 19 Appendix A. Go to Appendix A. 20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 21 MJ [COL POHL]: Let's deal with real numbers. We will 22 talk about other provisions later on. But the first paragraph 23 of Appendix A -- remember I told you earlier the maximum

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1 sentence in this case based on a guilty plea is confinement 2 for life? Remember I told you that earlier ----3 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okav. 4 MJ [COL POHL]: ---- without a pretrial agreement. 5 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Give me a second, please. 6 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure. 7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Please. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: Look at Appendix A. This is what the 9 Convening Authority promises to do for you. The first thing 10 is he says approved sentence will not exceed 25 years, okay? 11 Let's move on beyond that. If you read down later in 12 paragraphs 3 ----13 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 14 MJ [COL POHL]: ---- 2 and 3, basically what it says, 15 assuming you provide full and truthful cooperation substantial 16 assistance, a provision which is also in your pretrial 17 agreement, assuming you do that, he will approve no sentence 18 to exceed 19 years. Do you understand that? 19 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Nineteen years from today. 20 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. That is what we got to, exactly. 21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Exactly. 22 MJ [COL POHL]: Therefore, that, we talked about it 23 earlier, 19 years is the most he can approve. Now, he has the

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1	discretion to approve anything less than that. He can do								
2	that. Let's assume he approves the 19 years for our								
3	discussion now, all right? If the approved sentence is 19								
4	years confinement, that four years, four year sentencing, that								
5	starts today and that comes off the 19								
6	ACC [MR. KHAN]: I understand.								
7	MJ [COL POHL]: assuming you meet the requirements								
8	of the pretrial agreement. You understand that?								
9	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
10	MJ [COL POHL]: It is not coming off what the members								
11	may adjudge, it's what the Convening Authority will approve.								
12	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
13	MJ [COL POHL]: Both sides agree with the interpretation								
14	of that provision?								
15	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, Your Honor, yes.								
16	MJ [COL POHL]: Okay.								
17	DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes.								
18	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Excuse me, sir. Just one second.								
19	MJ [COL POHL]: Sure.								
20	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: May I make one clarification, Your								
21	Honor?								
22	MJ [COL POHL]: Sure.								
23	TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: To clarify what you said, approved								

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sentence not to exceed 25 years, the Convening Authority will
 approve no more than 19, provided the cooperation provision.

MJ [COL POHL]: Yes, exactly. I understand there is the
possibility it could be 25 as opposed to 19. I will get back
to that when I get to that provision. I wanted to explain the
four-year thing.

7 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Thank you.

8 MJ [COL POHL]: Ready, Mr. Khan, to continue?

9 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I'm ready.

MJ [COL POHL]: Again, on paragraph 9 you agree to waive that, give up all rights to appeal this conviction except as provided in the agreement under the narrow circumstances. Do you agree with that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Paragraph 10 is kind of the same thing,
you give up the right to collaterally attack the conviction
and/or sentence except as provided in the agreement. You
understand that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: I got it.

MJ [COL POHL]: Basically you give up your rights to
 appeal the findings and/or sentence except under those narrow
 circumstances. Do you understand that?

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes.

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1	MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. And paragraph 11 talks about you								
2	give up you would not initiate any litigation, challenge in								
3	any form against the United States or any issue with regard to								
4	capture, detention, prosecution, conviction or postconviction								
5	confinement, except you still retain the right to seek release								
6	from the appropriate United States authorities through writ of								
7	habeas corpus or other available remedies. Do you understand								
8	that?								
9	ACC [MR. KHAN]: One moment, sir.								
10	MJ [COL POHL]: Sure.								
11	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sir, yes, I understand would you								
12	summarize the last								
13	MJ [COL POHL]: Let me just go back. Defense Counsel,								
14	did I misstate it? You guys want to make sure								
15	DC [LTC JACKSON]: Your Honor								
16	CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Repeat it.								
17	MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Paragraph 11 talks about that you								
18	will not initiate any litigation or challenge in any form								
19	against the United States with regard to your capture, initial								
20	detention, prosecution, conviction or postconviction								
21	confinement, except that after you have served any unsuspended								
22	portion of an approved sentence, you retain the right to seek								
23	release from the appropriate United States authorities through								

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1 a petition for a writ of habeas corpus or any other available2 remedy.

Let me see if I can explain. What this means is
4 that, as you are probably painfully aware of, you are detained
5 by the United States Government ----

6 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: ---- currently and have been for quite a
while. That is one status of detention, for want of a better
term. You will, when the sentence is announced, go to another
status of postconviction sentence.

11 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Right.

MJ [COL POHL]: When that sentence runs, whether it's 19
years, 25 years, whatever it is, you will no longer be serving
a postconviction sentence. Do you understand that?

15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes.

16 MJ [COL POHL]: Your sentence will be done.

17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

18 MJ [COL POHL]: But you still may be a detainee. Do you 19 understand that?

20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: So after the sentence is run, it may
look very similar to you, that you are in a very similar type
of confinement facility, I don't know. What this says is

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after your sentence is run, then you may file for relief for
 release from your detainee status, that is what this is
 saying, because you are going to be kind of in two different
 statuses.

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Yes, ma'am?

6 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: I think it is better explained that 7 once he has served any sentence for confinement pursuant to 8 his guilty plea in this Commission, if he continues to be 9 detained in any respect, then he reserves the right to file a 10 habeas petition.

MJ [COL POHL]: I thought that is what I just said. I
understand, but I -- I got you. Do you understand that?

13 ACC [MR. KHAN]: What I understood basically you are 14 saying I can't sue the CIA or any government agency about what 15 happened to me in past, I can't talk about. Second is, even 16 though I do my time, the government can still consider me 17 enemy combatant and they can keep me for the rest of my life. 18 There is no guarantee it will happen. I can always go to 19 habeas, you know how habeas corpus helped me so far. 20 Basically I do my time. There is no guarantee. This 21 agreement does not guarantee me I will ever get free even 22 though I do my time.

23 MJ [COL POHL]: Exactly.

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I understand, sir. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: This has nothing to do with your status 3 as a detainee, just your status as a postconviction sentence 4 detainee. 5 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I'm making a leap of faith here, sir. 6 MJ [COL POHL]: I got it. 7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: That is all I can do. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: So you do have this right for this type 9 of -- to file this kind of suit once your sentence is done. 10 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. And also this provision says you 12 agree to move to withdraw or dismiss without prejudice any 13 presently pending direct or collateral attack challenging your 14 capture, detention, prosecution and/or alien unlawful enemy 15 combatant status. 16 Defense, let me ask you a question. Is there any 17 such pending issues in this case? 18 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Your Honor, Mr. Khan does have a 19 habeas corpus petition pending in District Court in 20 Washington, D.C. 21 MJ [COL POHL]: And the way I read the next one is he is 22 going to submit a motion to withdraw and dismiss without

23 prejudice said habeas corpus?

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1 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: To dismiss or withdraw without
2 prejudice, yes.

MJ [COL POHL]: Let me just -- so we get the time
sequence here, do you believe -- what is your understanding
when said motion has got to be filed, after today or after
sentencing?

7 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: A moment, Your Honor.

8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Your Honor.

9 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure.

10 CDC2 [MR. DIXON]: Once the guilty plea is accepted.

11 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. That is the government's12 understanding also?

13 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir.

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Last question, Your Honor. Going back to the paragraph, you know, just to be on the record, I can't sue the United States Government, CIA, whatever, but I can always have the right to sue --

18 [The security classification button was pushed in the
19 courtroom which caused the video feed to terminate at 1120,
20 February 29, 2012.]

21 [The Military Commission resumed at 1121, February 29, 2012.]
 22 MJ [COL POHL]: The reason the red light went off is
 23 there is information disclosed that should not have been. I'm

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not blaming you -- well, just don't discuss any individual 1 2 agencies of any government. Okay? 3 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sir, talking about public record, 4 talking about public record ----5 MJ [COL POHL]: No, no. 6 [The security classification button was pushed in the 7 courtroom which caused the video feed to terminate at 11:22, 8 February 29, 2012.] 9 [The Military Commission resumed at 1122, February 29, 2012] 10 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Just -- so we are sliding away 11 from that area. As I understand the PTA, it talks about 12 mitigation against the United States only, it does not talk 13 about other potential defendants. Is that the government's 14 understanding? 15 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: That is correct, Your Honor. As 16 drafted, as our understanding of the PTA is Mr. Khan is 17 limited from suing officials or agencies of the United States 18 Government. The PTA does not bind him in any respect with 19 respect to foreign governments. 20 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. 21 DC [LTC JACKSON]: We agree, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, basically what that says,without discussing other possible defendants, this only

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1 applies to the United States and its agencies as defendants. 2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Thank you, sir. 3 MJ [COL POHL]: Paragraph 18, as we discussed earlier, 4 you agree to join the government in requesting delaying 5 sentencing proceedings in this case until four years from 6 today. 7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I understand that. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Defense Counsel, do you also 9 agree in requesting this delay in the sentencing proceedings? 10 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you expressly waive any type of 12 speedy trial right from whatever source you may have 13 concerning the delay in sentencing? 14 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 15 MJ [COL POHL]: Trial Counsel, it is my understanding 16 you also agree to this delay? 17 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, we do, Your Honor. 18 MJ [COL POHL]: Let me ask a question. If it turns out 19 that -- is it not more than four years or exactly four years? 20 Or on or about four years? 21 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: I think it is written four years 22 from the date Your Honor accepts the plea. 23 MJ [COL POHL]: But if -- if both sides can agree on an

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1 earlier date, I'm assuming that will work. 2 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, we can accelerate the 3 sentencing, Your Honor. 4 MJ [COL POHL]: But if nothing changes, it is not later 5 than four years from today? 6 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: That's correct. 7 MJ [COL POHL]: It will be leap year in 2016? 8 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Correct, sir. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Got it. Now, paragraph 21 and 22 deal 10 with witnesses at your sentencing hearing. And you understand 11 that you may present -- the government may present witnesses 12 and present evidence regarding matters in aggravation and 13 mitigation for sentencing. However, you agree not to offer 14 the live testimony of any detainee held in United States Naval 15 Station Guantanamo Bay. Do you agree with those rights with 16 regard to the sentencing portions of this hearing? 17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I understand and agree.

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, you understand when the Convening Authority accepted the pretrial agreement, it became a binding agreement, you asserted in your pretrial agreement that you are in fact, guilty of the offenses to which you pled guilty and that you have been apprised of the evidence against you and that you agree the evidence -- government could prove the

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evidence, the evidence could prove you guilty beyond a
 reasonable doubt of the offense to which you are pleading
 guilty? Do you agree to all those things?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

5 MJ [COL POHL]: And the pretrial agreement states you 6 also understand that the pretrial agreement permits the 7 government to avoid presentation in court of sufficient 8 evidence to prove your guilt, that your offer to plead guilty 9 is in part because it will be in your best interest that the 10 Convening Authority grants you relief set out in the 11 agreement; and that you waive your right to a trial of the 12 facts and to be confronted by witnesses against you and waive 13 the right to avoid self-incrimination insofar as a plea of 14 guilty will incriminate you. Do you agree -- understand and 15 agree to these terms?

16 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do.

MJ [COL POHL]: With this offer to plead guilty you have also agreed you are satisfied with your defense counsel and their advice regarding this offer; that you consider your counsel competent to represent you in this Military Commission and that no person or persons made any attempt to force or coerce you into making this offer to plead guilty. Do you understand and agree to this provision of your pretrial

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1 agreement?

2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

3 MJ [COL POHL]: This agreement also states that your 4 counsel have fully advised you of the nature of the charges 5 against you; of the possibility of your defending against 6 them; of any defenses that might apply, of the effect of the 7 guilty plea that you have offered to make, and that you fully 8 understand their advice and the meaning, effect and 9 consequences of this plea. Do you still agree with those 10 provisions?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do.

MJ [COL POHL]: Do you understand that under the military commissions that the Convening Authority's signature and your signature on these documents make this offer and agreement binding upon the United States Government and binding upon you?

17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, as set forth in paragraph 5 of the PTA, do you understand that you may request to withdraw your guilty pleas at any time before the sentence is announced and that if you have good reason for doing so, your request will be granted and this agreement will be cancelled. Do you understand that?

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sir, would you repeat that? 2 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you understand in paragraph 5 of the 3 PTA -- I'm looking at Appellate Exhibit 12 -- it has a number 4 of provisions that talks about what could cancel your pretrial 5 agreement. 6 First of all, you may withdraw your plea of guilty 7 and you would have a good reason for the withdrawal if you 8 change your plea to not guilty, but you lose your pretrial 9 agreement. Do you understand that? 10 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. That is within four years, 11 yes, sir? 12 MJ [COL POHL]: Before sentence is announced. 13 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay. 14 MJ [COL POHL]: So right now let's say four years. Now. 15 if you also look at paragraph 5 alpha, bravo, charlie, delta, 16 echo. 17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I'm looking at it, sir. 18 MJ [COL POHL]: If any of those events occurred, you 19 would lose your pretrial agreement. 20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I understand. 21 MJ [COL POHL]: Delta and echo talk about the Military 22 Judge, me, if I were to refuse to delay sentencing proceedings 23 under four years from today, you lose your pretrial agreement.

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1 We are not going to do that. Also ----

2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I'm sorry, I didn't understand that3 part.

4 MJ [COL POHL]: Delta and echo deal with actions that I 5 may take. And delta deals with that if I refuse to accept the 6 delay in the sentencing until four years from today, you lose 7 your pretrial agreement.

8 ACC

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay.

9 MJ [COL POHL]: If I were to do that. But I'm telling 10 you right now, I'm not going to do that. Both sides agree to 11 go four years from today, this is an agreement between you and 12 the Convening Authority. It doesn't violate public policy in 13 my mind. It doesn't violate any right that would cause me not 14 to enforce that provision; therefore, I don't intend to do it.

Paragraph 5 echo talks about something else I may
or may not do. In this particular case is that I -- both
sides requested me to instruct the panel members who will
sentence you that the range of permissible punishment in this
case is 25 to 40 years.

20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay.

MJ [COL POHL]: And if I don't do that or don't agree to
that, then that also would cancel the pretrial agreement. But
as I'm telling you now, that provision is fine with me.

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That's negotiated between you and the Convening Authority,
 that is what the agreement is and both sides voluntarily
 entered into. Nothing in that violates any public policy or
 has any reason for me to not to agree to that. Therefore,
 that won't occur either. 5 delta and 5 echo won't happen.
 I'm telling you, though, because I would have to do them and
 I'm not going to do them. You got that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: I understand.

9 MJ [COL POHL]: Any question about anything else that10 might cancel your pretrial agreement?

No.

11 ACC [MR. KHAN]:

MJ [COL POHL]: Now, do you understand the Convening Authority has an obligation to approve a sentence no greater than the one provided in this agreement, including Appendix A; that it may be cancelled if you commit any offense under the Military Commissions Act or fail to otherwise fulfill the terms of this agreement between the day sentence is announced and sentence is approved.

What happens here, Mr. Khan, is today -- the
findings portion, the guilty plea, four years from now is
sentencing, when sentencing is completed, there is another
period of time before the Convening Authority takes action on
your sentence on your case. If you commit an offense in that

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1 little period, you can still lose your pretrial agreement; do2 you understand?

3 ACC [MR. KHAN]: That little period you are talking**4** about.

MJ [COL POHL]: The period between the sentence being
announced here and when the Convening Authority finally signs
off on your case.

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: So approximately four years.

9 MJ [COL POHL]: Yes. What I'm basically saying, if you
10 commit any offense between now and then, you may lose your
11 pretrial agreement.

12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: If the agreement were cancelled, got to this point, we would go over this in detail. What you told me today, the fact you offered to plead guilty, the stipulation of fact, all that also will be cancelled and the case would return and start from the beginning as a not guilty case. Do you understand that?

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Basically from scratch as if nothing20 happened?

21 MJ [COL POHL]: As if we never met today.

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay. I just ask you to give me a
second, sir.

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1	MJ [COL POHL]: Now, I want to talk about the parts								
2	about place of confinement. Now, do you agree that authority								
3	of the Convening Authority is limited by the Military								
4	Commissions Act of 2009, The Rules for Military Commissions								
5	and the regulation for trial for Military Commissions, that is								
6	basically what he is bound by; do you understand?								
7	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Sorry, sir, I was not able to hear you.								
8	MJ [COL POHL]: That is okay.								
9	DC [LTC JACKSON]: We are having trouble hearing you,								
10	sir.								
11	MJ [COL POHL]: I will move the mic up and see if that								
12	works. Is that better?								
13	DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir.								
14	MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. That where you serve your								
15	confinement is not the Convening Authority doesn't have								
16	authority over that. Do you understand that, where you								
17	physically serve it; not the length, the physical location.								
18	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
19	MJ [COL POHL]: That is done by somebody else.								
20	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay.								
21	MJ [COL POHL]: In a sense the Convening Authority does								
22	not have authority to control the location of confinement, the								
23	conditions of confinement, or whether such confinement is								

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served in military or federal institutions. Your release from
 military or federal confinement, after taking formal action of
 the findings and sentence of the Military Commissions or by
 the government of the United States to release you from lawful
 detention.

6 What this means, Mr. Khan, is the Convening
7 Authority cannot say where you would serve your confinement
8 pursuant to this Commission. Do you understand that?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Similarly, he also has -- remember I
talked about earlier once you serve confinement you still may
be detained?

13 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Again, that continued detention, or lack
thereof, is not controlled by the Convening Authority, it is
controlled by somebody else. Do you understand that?

ACC [MR. KHAN]: Would you be more specific? Thesomebody else would be?

MJ [COL POHL]: The best I can say is initially theExecutive Branch of the United States Government.

21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I get the idea.

MJ [COL POHL]: I'm saying it is easier probably to sayit is not the Convening Authority.

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okay. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: He can't say release you from your 3 detained status, just from your sentence status. Do you 4 understand what I'm saying on that? ACC [MR. KHAN]: I got it. 5 6 MJ [COL POHL]: I want to talk briefly about Appendix A. 7 I want you to look at, and we talked about it briefly, I just 8 want to say so there is no misunderstandings between the 9 parties, in the pretrial agreement there is paragraph 13 which 10 talks about what -- what they ----11 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I'm sorry. 12 MJ [COL POHL]: Paragraph 13 which talks about what you 13 agree to do with the United States Government. 14 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Okav. 15 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Paragraphs 2 and 3 also discuss 16 the same thing using different language. 17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I understand. 18 MJ [COL POHL]: I believe as your counsel told me 19 earlier, it is both sides' understanding that there is no 20 conflict between 2 and 3 in paragraph 13, correct? 21 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: That's correct, Your Honor. 22 MJ [COL POHL]: Even though there is different language 23 being used.

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1 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, Your Honor, we agree. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: So would it be fair to say that since 3 paragraph 13 is really more detailed as to the action the 4 accused takes, that really constitutes what the definition of 5 full and truthful cooperation, substantial assistance is in 6 this case. Is that what the defense understands? 7 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: Is Trial Counsel with me? 9 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, sir. 10 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, do you understand what I'm 11 saying? 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 13 MJ [COL POHL]: Paragraph 13 talks about all the 14 specific acts. Paragraphs 2 and 3 in the appendix talk about 15 generic qualifications. If you do that, then, as we talked 16 about earlier, the Convening Authority will approve a sentence 17 not to exceed -- if it determines you completed, not to exceed 18 19 years. 19 ACC [MR. KHAN]: If I keep my side of the bargaining, 20 they will keep their side of the bargaining? 21 MJ [COL POHL]: Exactly, keeping your side of the 22 bargain. If you look at paragraph 13, that is what you agree 23 to do?

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, referring to paragraph 13,
yes, sir.

3 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay.

4 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Can you give me one second, sir?

5 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure. Okay. I know it has been a long6 morning. We are almost there.

DC [LTC JACKSON]: Your Honor, he just -- Mr. Khan would
8 like you to ask about the recommendation of the Convening
9 Authority. I don't know if you will get into that. Although
10 he cannot control the confinement location, he has made a
11 recommendation in accordance with the PTA.

MJ [COL POHL]: Which paragraph are you referring to?
DC [LTC JACKSON]: Let me find it for you.

14 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: I believe it's paragraph 27, sir.

15 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Mr. Khan, do you have the

16 pretrial agreement there?

17 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

18 MJ [COL POHL]: It's kind of a long paragraph. Look at19 paragraph 27.

20 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: Remember I told you earlier the
Convening Authority cannot control where you are physically
kept or the conditions you are kept under?

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Uh-huh. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: What this paragraph says is he will make 3 a recommendation to those people who do have that decision 4 currently, which I think is currently the Commander of 5 JTF-GTMO, that you be confined in accordance with this 6 recommendation here. 7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I got it, sir. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: But understanding this, it is only a 9 recommendation. If not followed by, assuming I'm correct, the 10 Commander of JTF-GTMO or whoever is in charge, then that is 11 the way it goes. 12 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 13 MJ [COL POHL]: If that -- if they don't follow your 14 recommendation, you are still bound by the pretrial agreement. 15 Do you understand that? 16 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 17 MJ [COL POHL]: Does that answer the guestion, Colonel 18 Jackson? 19 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. Thank you. 20 MJ [COL POHL]: No problem. 21 Now, back to Appendix A. Do you have any 22 questions about Appendix A on Exhibit 13? 23 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

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1 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. 2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: After four years, if things go the way 3 we planned, when the sentence -- when I start my doing -- like 4 rest of my 15 years, nothing here in the agreement tells me 5 how and where I'm going to do my time; is that correct? 6 MJ [COL POHL]: That's right. 7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: So -- okay. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: One other thing at this point I want to 9 go through, because it is a little bit different than what is 10 before. 11 Look at paragraph 4 of Appendix A. Remember I 12 said earlier you can't basically sue the United States 13 Government for the nature of your capture, detention or 14 confinement? Your counsel will explain this to you. 15 At the time the Convening Authority takes action 16 in your case, okay, you will be able to submit matters to him 17 to lessen your sentence, if you can. You are not 18 prohibited -- well, you are authorized at that time to raise 19 those issues to him. Do you understand what I'm saying? 20 If you want to -- and don't -- let me kind of 21 explain it -- the examples, because I don't know -- we don't 22 want the red light turned back on. 23 If you want to say I deserve some consideration

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1 because of my detention or whatever, you can't sue the 2 government for that anymore, but you can raise that with the 3 Convening Authority as a matter of mitigation. Do vou 4 understand that? ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. You're referring to 5 6 clemency. 7 MJ [COL POHL]: Yes. 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I got that. 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Do you understand and agree to 10 all the terms of your pretrial agreement in the appendix? 11 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 12 MJ [COL POHL]: Defense Counsel, are you satisfied that 13 Mr. Khan understands both the pretrial agreement and Appendix 14 (Alpha)? 15 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 16 MJ [COL POHL]: And do you believe the terms contained 17 in both are in his best interest? 18 DC [LTC JACKSON]: I do, sir. 19 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, are you satisfied with your 20 defense counsel's advice concerning this pretrial agreement? 21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I am. 22 MJ [COL POHL]: Did you enter the agreement of your own 23 free will?

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, I have. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: Has anybody tried to force you to make 3 this pretrial agreement? 4 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No, sir. 5 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you have any questions about your 6 pretrial agreement? 7 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No, sir. 8 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you fully understand the terms of the 9 pretrial agreement and how they affect your case? 10 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, I do. 11 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, are you pleading guilty not 12 only because you hope to receive a lighter sentence, but also 13 because are you convinced you are in fact guilty under United 14 States law of the offense to which you have pled guilty? 15 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 16 MJ [COL POHL]: Do counsel for both sides agree with the 17 Commission's interpretation of the pretrial agreement? 18 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: Yes, we do, Your Honor. 19 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes, sir. 20 MJ [COL POHL]: Defense Counsel, have you had enough 21 time and opportunity to discuss this case with Mr. Khan? 22 DC [LTC JACKSON]: Yes. 23 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, have you had enough time and

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1	opportunity to discuss this case, not just the pretrial								
2	agreement, but the entire case, with your defense counsel?								
3	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir, over the years I have.								
4	MJ [COL POHL]: Have you in fact fully consulted with								
5	them and received the full benefit of their advice?								
6	ACC [MR. KHAN]: I'm sorry, would you repeat that?								
7	MJ [COL POHL]: Have you in fact consulted fully with								
8	your defense counsel and received the full benefit of their								
9	advice?								
10	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
11	MJ [COL POHL]: Are you satisfied that your defense								
12	counsel advice has been in your best interest?								
13	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
14	MJ [COL POHL]: Are you satisfied with your defense								
15	counsel?								
16	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
17	MJ [COL POHL]: Are you pleading guilty voluntarily?								
18	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
19	MJ [COL POHL]: Are you pleading guilty of your own free								
20	will?								
21	ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.								
22	MJ [COL POHL]: Has there been any threat are you								
23	pleading guilty of your own free will?								

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1 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 2 MJ [COL POHL]: I thought I heard a no. Has anybody 3 made any threat or attempted to try to force you to plead 4 guilty? 5 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No, sir. 6 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you have any questions of me as to 7 meaning and effect of your plea of guilty? 8 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Would you repeat that? 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you have any questions as to the 10 meaning and effect of your plea of guilty? 11 ACC [MR. KHAN]: No. 12 MJ [COL POHL]: Do you still wish to plead guilty? 13 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir. 14 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, I find your pleas of guilty 15 have been made voluntarily and with full knowledge of their 16 meaning and effect. I further find that you have knowingly, 17 intelligently and consciously waived your rights against 18 self-incrimination, that you have waived your rights to a 19 trial of the facts by a Military Commission and you've waived 20 your rights to be confronted by the witnesses called against 21 you in the findings portion of your commission. 22 Accordingly, your pleas of guilty are provident 23 and I accept them. As I told you earlier, you may request to

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1 withdraw your guilty plea any time before sentence is 2 announced and I receive your request, I will grant it. Do you 3 understand that? 4 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes. 5 MJ [COL POHL]: Accused and Counsel, please rise. 6 [The Accused and his Counsel did as directed.] 7 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Majid Shoukat Khan, in 8 accordance with your pleas of guilty, the Commission finds 9 vou: 10 Of all charges and specifications: Guilty. 11 Please be seated. 12 [The Accused and his Defense Counsel did as 13 directed.] 14 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Khan, I want to go over one 15 other thing that hopefully won't apply, but you need to know 16 it. 17 The further progress of the trial to and including 18 the return to sentencing in this case, if necessary, shall not 19 be prevented and the accused shall be considered to have 20 waived the right to be present whenever an accused initially 21 present is voluntarily absent after arraignment. What we did 22 today is called an arraignment; we went beyond that. After 23 today if you are voluntarily absent, the Commission can

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1 proceed in your absence. Do you understand that?

2 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Just give me a second, Your Honor.

3 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure.

4 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Be more clear. I got confused.

5 MJ [COL POHL]: I want you to understand something 6 before I go to the next part. This is standard advice I give 7 in every case, so it is not -- so it is not -- understand it 8 is not me thinking you won't be back here next time. Let me 9 just go again.

10 What this means as follows: You have been 11 arraigned and found guilty on the charges before the Court. 12 We are going to recess now until a time and date to be 13 determined later. It may be four years from now, it may be 14 sooner. If this Commission is called back to order and you 15 are not present, I may find your absence voluntary on your 16 part. Then the Commission may go ahead and proceed without 17 your presence and determine appropriate sentence. Again, this 18 is standard that I give everybody. But you understand that if 19 you voluntarily are not here, they can go ahead and sentence 20 you without you being here.

21 ACC [MR. KHAN]: Yes, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: I understand given your currentconditions how unlikely that event probably is. I understand

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1 it. Again, go with me here. This is standard advice I give2 in every case.

ACC [MR. KHAN]: I got a little confused because
4 hypothetically anything could happen, I'm sick or, you
5 know ----

MJ [COL POHL]: No, it has to be voluntary. If you are
7 sick or not due to your fault you can't be here, that wouldn't
8 be a voluntary absence and we would wait until you got better.

9 ACC [MR. KHAN]: I was thinking about a hypothetical10 situation it could happen, that happen, you know.

MJ [COL POHL]: Exactly. I understand that. But I'm
saying if you can't come here due to a physical ailment, for
example, we wouldn't start without you.

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ACC [MR. KHAN]: Right. Got it, sir.

MJ [COL POHL]: The last thing I want to address to both
sides, although we set sentencing for four years from now, the
Commission is available to address any outstanding issue that
may arise in this case between now and sentencing.

19 Any other matters to take up from either side at20 this time? Trial Counsel?

21 TC [MS. SULLIVAN]: No, Your Honor.

22 MJ [COL POHL]: Defense?

23 DC [LTC JACKSON]: No, sir.

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