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STATE AND DISTRICT OF IDAHO

BOISE, IDAHO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

SAMI OMAR AL-HUSSAYEN

Case No. 03-048-C-EJL

AFFIDAVIT

I, Mary Martin, the undersigned, being duly sworn, depose and state as follows:

I am a Special Agent of the FBI for fifteen (15) years and have been involved in multiple investigations involving crimes under Title 18 of the United States Code. This Affidavit is based upon facts acquired by fellow FBI Special Agent William R. Long and other law enforcement officials pertaining to this investigation. On October 17, 2003, Special Agent William R. Long advised your affiant of the following:

1) Long is a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) currently assigned to the Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Resident Agency, within the FBI's Salt Lake City Division. He has been a Special Agent with the FBI for over 14 years. Special Agent Long is experienced and has received

including but not limited to, Title 18, United States Code, and Title 21, United States Code. Special Agent Long has extensive experience in the use of standard investigative techniques including, but not limited to, the interviewing of witnesses, obtaining and review of business, financial, and communication records, execution of search warrants, visual surveillance, court ordered electronic surveillance, development and use of informants and cooperating witnesses, grand jury investigations, and the making of arrests. Special Agent Long has testified in state and federal court on numerous occasions during his career.

- Since 1998, Special Agent Long has specialized in the investigation of domestic terrorism matters.
- 3) Since 2001, Special Agent Long has become experienced and received specialized training in the areas of international terrorism and counterterrorism. This experience includes receiving specialized training in these areas offered by the United States Department of Justice, the FBI, and other agencies.
- 4) Special Agent Long is currently a member of the Inland Northwest Joint Terrorism Task Force (INJTTF) and as such, works alongside other federal, state, and local law enforcement officers, including agents of the United States Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.
- 5) On February 13, 2003, an indictment was filed in the United States District Court for the District of Idaho against Sami Omar Al-Hussayen alleging violations of Title 18,

Statements to the United States; and Title 18, United States Code, §§ 1546(a), 3237 and 3238 - Visa Fraud. Currently, Special Agent Long and other agents are involved in a continuing investigation of Sami Omar Al-Hussayen and his associates regarding matters related to international terrorism. During the course of this investigation, Special Agent Long and other agents have developed information regarding the close association between AL-Hussayen and Saleh Abdulaziz Al-Kraida.

- 6) On February 26, 2003, Special Agent Long, Joint Terrorism Task Force Detective L. Richard Fairbanks, and Immigration and Naturalization Service Special Agent James I. Sheperd interviewed Saleh Abdulaziz Al-Kraida at his residence in Moscow, Idaho. During the interview, Al-Kraida provided significant information regarding the AL-Hussayen investigation to the agents, including the following:
- a) That Al-Kraida is a citizen of Saudi Arabia and has entered the United States for the purpose of obtaining his Masters Degree in Agricultural Engineering at the University of Idaho.
- b) That Al-Kraida is personally acquainted with Sami Omar Al-Hussayen and has almost daily contact with Al-Hussayen.
- c) That Al-Hussayen, Al-Kraida, and other associates regularly meet at an apartment in Moscow, Idaho, known as "Almultaga." In Arabic, Almultaga means "the gathering

place." Almultaga is normally used for dinners and social events among associates of Al-Hussayen. d) That there is a computer and a credit card sales machine located at Almultaga. 5 That Al-Hussayen used to sell books, tapes, magazines, and other items via the computer or telephone 6 7 from the Almultaga location. f) That the profits from these sales were 8 for Islamic charities, including the Islamic Assembly of North 9 America. 10 That the sales of these items stopped 11 shortly after September 11, 2001. 12 That many of these books, tapes, and 13 14 magazines contained Islamic extremist messages. He stated that extremist Islamic views include the use of violence against 15 those who do not convert to Islam. 16 i) That Sheikhs Safar Al-Hawali and Salman 17 Al-Ouda wrote, published, and recorded many of the tapes, 18 19 books, and magazines containing extremist messages, sold by Al-20 Hussayen at Almultaga. 21 j) That no gatherings occurred at 22 23

Almultaga for three or four months after September 11, 2001. The meetings prior to September 11, 2001, involved discussions which Al-Kraida now considers to be extremist. Al-Kraida believed that the meetings and the items sold at Almultaga would have invited suspicion by the FBI or other law enforcement authorities, due to the extreme nature of the content. Many of the extremist ideas discussed at Almultaga

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originated with Sheikhs Al-Hawali and Al-Ouda. When asked to tate how extreme Sheikhs Al-Hawali and Al-Ouda are, Al-Kraida tated them a "B-plus," with an "A" being the most extreme. k) That Sami Omar Al-Hussayen was involved 4 personally with the Islamic Assembly in North America (IANA) 5 6 and attended IANA conferences in the past. 1) That Al-Hussayen then spoke about those 7 8 conferences to members of the mosque in Moscow, Idaho during lectures and meetings. 9 That in the past, representatives from 10 11 the Global Relief Foundation (GRF), including persons from Iraq, Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait, had visited the mosque in 12 13 Moscow, Idaho to collect donations. n) That this visit by GRF representatives 14 was arranged by Abduhl Rahman Al-Jugheman, a close associate of 15 Sami Omar Al-Hussayen. 16 17 o) That donations had also been collected at the mosque in Moscow, Idaho for the "Help the Needy" 18 19 organization. 20 Al-Kraida also provided other p) 21 information about Sami Omar Al-Hussayen, his associates, and personal information about himself. 22 23 d) During the interview of Al-Kraida, Al-Kraida told investigating agents that he intended to return to 24 Saudi Arabia upon his graduation from the University of Idaho. 25 26 7) The FBI is currently investigating the Islamic

Assembly of North America (IANA) regarding suspected ties to

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international terrorism.

- 8) On February 26, 2003, the FBI executed a search warrant on the offices of the "Help the Needy" (HTN) organization in Syracuse, New York. That continuing investigation involves, in part, alleged violations of the Iraqi Embargo by members of HTN.
- 9) The Global Relief Foundation has been designated by the US Department of Treasury, Office of Foreign Asset Control, as an organization supporting international terrorism.
- 10) The investigation of Sami Omar Al-Hussayen has revealed that Sheikhs Al-Ouda and Al-Hawali have direct association with Usama Bin Laden. Suspected ties to the Al Qaida terrorist organization are being investigated by the FBI:
- On October 16, 2003, United States Bureau of 11) Immigration and Customs Enforcement Special Agent Jeffrey L. Wolstenholme, acting in his official capacity as an Immigration officer, contacted the University of Idaho concerning the student status of Al-Kraida. He learned that Al-Kraida has completed his masters degree requirements. He has requested and received from the University a "letter of completion" regarding his degree requirements. Al-Kraida appeared in person at University offices during the past week to request this letter. Al-Kraida told University officials that he intends to leave the United States prior to graduation ceremonies scheduled in December, 2003. Further, University officials confirmed that Al-Kraida vacated his apartment in University housing on September 30, 2003. He left a forwarding address of Post Office Box 3103, Moscow, Idaho.

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records of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement do not reflect that Al-Wraida has yet left the United States on an international 4 commercial flight. 5 12) Due to Al-Kraida's admitted involvement with the 6 defendant, Sami Omar Al-Hussayen, Al-Kraida is believed to be 7 in possession of information germane to this matter which will 8 be crucial to the prosecution. It is believed that if Al-9 Kraida travels to Saudi Arabia the United States government 10 will be unable to secure his presence at trial via subpoena. 11 Respectfully submitted, 12 13 14 Federal Bureau of Investigation 15 Boise, Idaho Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 17 2003.

day of October,

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United States Magistrate Judge

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