

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CRIMINAL NO: 11-0015

VERSUS

JUDGE DONALD E. WALTER

KHALID ALI-M ALDAWSARI

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**ORDER**

Before the Court is a Motion for Acquittal Pursuant to Rule 29 [Doc. #205] filed by Defendant Khalid Ali-M Aldawsari. The Government opposes this motion [Doc. #208].

In ruling on a motion under Rule 29, a court asks “whether a reasonable jury could have properly concluded, weighing the evidence in a light most deferential to the verdict rendered by the jury, that all of the elements of the crime charged had been proven beyond a reasonable doubt.” *United States v. Lucio*, 428 F.3d 519, 522 (5th Cir. 2005) (citing *United States v. Loe*, 262 F.3d 427, 432 (5th Cir. 2001)). “We are not required to analyze the evidence with an eye toward negating every possible inference of innocence, rather, if the fact finder was presented with sufficient evidence to support the verdict reached, that verdict must be upheld.” *Id.* The Government put on more than enough evidence upon which a reasonable jury could find that Aldawsari took a substantial step toward using a weapon of mass destruction. It is clear to this Court that the Government presented sufficient evidence to prove each element of the crime charged beyond a reasonable doubt. Therefore, upon due consideration, Defendant’s Motion [Doc. #205] is hereby **DENIED**.

**THUS DONE AND SIGNED** in Shreveport, Louisiana, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2012.



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DONALD E. WALTER  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE