

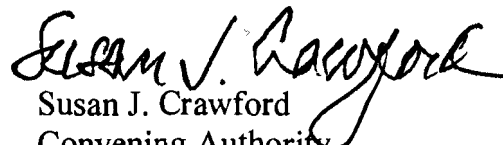


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February 5, 2009

I considered carefully the 5 February 2009 request by the Prosecution to withdraw charges and specifications in the case of *United States v. Abd al-Rahim Hussein Muhammed Abdu al-Nashiri*. I find that withdrawal is in the best interests of justice. Pursuant to my authority under Rule for Military Commissions 604, I hereby withdraw without prejudice all charges and specifications referred to trial by military commission in this case.


Susan J. Crawford
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