



Appendix

Guantanamo: Who Really ‘Returned to the Battlefield’?

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As of January 11, 2011, 600 Guantanamo prisoners had been released or transferred abroad. We have placed them in the following categories:

Category 1. Released detainees engaged or suspected to have engaged with insurgent groups that attack or attempt to attack the United States, U.S. citizens, or U.S. bases abroad. (36; 6 percent)

Category 2. Former detainees engaged or suspected to have engaged with insurgent groups that attack or attempt to attack non-U.S. targets. (12 men; 2 percent)

Total: 48 (8 percent)

(For those released detainees who fit more than one category, we coded them as the highest category only; and in cases where we could not independently verify the Pentagon’s assessment of a named individual’s confirmed or suspected involvement in any form of militant activity, we took the Pentagon’s assessment at face value.)

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	Name	Nationality	Gtmo release date	Alleged recidivist activity	Re-capture or death date	DoD Status	Code	Source
1.	Mohamed Yusuf Yaqub (Mullah Shazada)	Afghan (DoD)	May 8, 2003 (NYT)	Took control of Taliban operations in southern Afghanistan	Killed May 7, 2004	Confirmed	1	Reuters , TIME , DoD
2.	Abdullah Mehsud (Said Mohammed Alim Shah) (NYT)	Pakistani	March 2004 (NYT)	Kidnapped two Chinese engineers in Waziristan; led militant group in tribal areas	Killed July 2007	Confirmed	1	DoD , Reuters
3.	Mohammed al-Awfi (al-Oufi) (Mohammed Ateeq Owaid al-Awfi al Harbi, Abul-Hareth Mohammed al-Awfi)	Saudi (NYT)	November 9, 2007 (NYT)	Field commander of AQ in the Arabian Peninsula (Yemen); wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	Arrested February 2009, extradited to Saudi Arabia	Confirmed	1	CNN , Reuters , AFP , NEFA , CNN
4.	Shah Mohammed	Pakistani	May 2003 (BBC)	“Killed fighting US forces in Afghanistan” (DoD)	Unknown	Confirmed	1	DoD , NYT
5.	Abdullah Majid al-Naimi (Abdullah al Noaimi)	Bahraini	November 4, 2005 (NYT)	“Involved in terrorist facilitation; has known associations with al Qaida” (DoD)	Arrested in Saudi Arabia October 2008	Confirmed	1	Gulf Daily News
6.	Zahir Shah (Nahir Shah)	Afghan	November 2, 2007 (NYT)	“Participation in terrorist training” (DoD)	Unknown	Confirmed	1	DoD
7.	Ibrahim Shafir Sen	Turkish (DoD)	November 2003 (NYT)	Suspected of leading an al-Qaeda cell in Turkey	Arrested January 2008	Confirmed	1	DoD , MEMRI

8.	Ibrahim Bin Shakaran	Moroccan (DoD)	July 31, 2004 (NYT)	Recruiting Moroccans to fight for al-Qaeda in Iraq	Arrested 2005; convicted Sept. 2007	Confirmed	1	DoD
9.	Mohammed Bin Ahmad Mizouz	Moroccan (DoD)	July 31, 2004 (NYT)	Recruiting Moroccans to fight for al-Qaeda in Iraq	Arrested 2005; convicted Sept. 2007	Confirmed	1	DoD
10.	Abdallah Salih al-Ajmi	Kuwaiti (DoD)	November 2, 2005 (NYT)	Suicide bombing in Mosul	Conducted suicide bombing in Iraq, March 23, 2008	Confirmed	1	Washington Post
11.	Said Ali al-Shihri (Saeed Aku Jabir al-Kathim al-Shehri, Abu Sufyan al-Azdi, Abu Asma)	Saudi (NYT)	November 9, 2007 (NYT)	Commander of AQ in the Arabian Peninsula (Yemen); Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	n/a	Confirmed	1	Reuters , AFP , NEFA
12.	Mohammed Ismail	Afghan (DoD)	January 28, 2004 (NYT)	Attack on U.S. forces in Kandahar	Re-captured May 2004	Confirmed	1	DoD , Reuters
13.	Mohammed Nayim Farouq	Afghan (DoD)	July 16, 2003 (NYT)	Anti-coalition militant activity with Taliban and AQ	n/a	Suspected	1	DoD , DIA , senior Afghan intel official
14.	Abdullah Ghulam Rasoul (Mullah Abdullah Zakir, Abdul Qayyum)	Afghan (DoD)	December 12, 2007 (NYT)	Taliban leader in southern Afghanistan, said to be Mullah Omar’s top deputy	n/a	Suspected	1	AP , NYT , Times Online , NYT , AP
15.	Abdullah Ghofoor	Afghan	March 14, 2004 (NYT)	“Taliban commander; planning attacks on US and Afghan forces; killed in a raid by Afghan security forces”	Unknown	Suspected	1	DoD

16.	Isa Khan	Pakistani	September 17, 2004 (NYT)	“Association with Tehrik-i-Taliban”; gave an unfavorable interview to McClatchy in June 2008	Unknown	Suspected	1 and 3	McClatchy , DoD
17.	Muhibullah	Afghan	July 19, 2005 (NYT)	“Association with the Taliban”	Unknown	Suspected	1	DoD
18.	Saad Madhi Saad Hawash al Azmi	Kuwaiti	November 2, 2005 (NYT)	“Association with al Qaida”; gave an unfavorable interview to McClatchy in June 2008	Unknown	Suspected	1 and 3	McClatchy , DoD
19.	Haji Sahib Rohullah Wakil	Afghan	April 30, 2008 (NYT)	“Association with terrorist groups”	Unknown	Suspected	1	DoD
20.	Maulavi Abdul Ghaffar (Shai Jahn Ghafour) (WP)	Afghan (DoD)	March 23, 2003 (NYT).	Taliban regional commander in Uruzgan and Helmand; “died fighting Afghan forces” (DoD)	Killed September 25, 2004	Suspected	1	DoD , AP
21.	Abdul Rahman Noor	Afghan (DoD)	July 2003 (DoD)	Fighting against U.S. forces in Kandahar— “deputy defense minister of the Taliban”	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	DoD , Washington Post
22.	Abdul Rauf Aliza	Afghan (NYT)	December 12, 2007	Aide to Abdul Qayyum, top deputy of Mullah Omar	n/a	Not publicly listed by DoD	1	AP
23.	Hani al-Shulan	Yemeni	June 18, 2007 (NYT)	Field commander in AQAP	Died December 17, 2009	Not publicly listed by DoD	1	AP, Xinhua (Lexis)
24.	Ibrahim Sulaiman Mohammed Ar-Rabeish (Abu Mohammed)	Saudi	December 13, 2006 (NEFA)	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol); “theological guide to AQAP” (NYT)	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	Interpol, NYT, NEFA

25.	Yusuf Muhammad Mubarak al-Jebairy al-Shehri	Saudi (NEFA)	November 9, 2007	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	Killed October 2009 (CSM)	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	NEFA, NYT
26.	Jabir Jubran Ali al-Faify (Jaber Alfefey)	Saudi	December 13, 2006 (NYT)	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	Interpol, NYT, NEFA
27.	Fahd Saleh Suleiman al-Jutayli (Kamza Aqeedah)	Saudi	May 18, 2006 (NYT)	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	Killed September 14, 2009 (AP)	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	Interpol, NYT, NEFA
28.	Murtadha Ali Saeed Magram (Abul-Baraa al-Hadrami)	Saudi	November 9, 2007 (NYT)	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	Interpol, NYT, NEFA
29.	Meshal Mohammed Rashid Al-Shedoky (Mishale Ashadouki)	Saudi	May 14, 2003 (NYT)	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	Interpol, NYT, NEFA
30.	Adnan Muhammad Ali al-Sayegh	Saudi	May 18, 2006 (NEFA)	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	Interpol, NYT, NEFA
31.	Turki Mashawi Zayid al-Assiri (Al-Mutasim al-Makki)	Saudi	November 9, 2007 (NYT)	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	Interpol, NYT, NEFA
32.	Othman bin Ahmed bin Othman al-Ghamdi (Othman al-Omairah)	Saudi	June 24, 2006 (NYT)	Wanted by Saudi govt for “terrorism related matters including being linked to AQ” (Interpol)	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	Interpol, NYT, NEFA

33.	Mohammad Ilyas (Qari Jaml, Qari Jamil)	Pakistani	September 17, 2004 (NYT)	Alleged by Pakistani authorities of heading a “gang” responsible for bombing an Italian restaurant in Rwalpindi, a bombing in front of the Danish Embassy in Pakistan, as well as a suicide bombing that killed the Pakistan Army Surgeon General in February 2008. Reportedly linked to al Qaeda planner Usama al-Kini	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	1 and 2	AP ; AFP ; The Nation
34.	Hafizullah Shabaz Khail (Hafizullah Shahbaz Khail, Hafizullah Shahbaz Khail)	Afghan	December 12, 2007 (NYT)	Allegedly took part in a rocket attack against U.S. base in Afghanistan in 2007; re-arrested by Afghan police in 2008 for treating sick Taliban	September 2008 (AP).	Not listed publicly by DoD	1 and 2	Fox News ; AP
35.	Ali Husayn Abdullah al Tays (Ali Hussain al Tais, Ali Hussein al-Taiss)	Yemeni	December 15, 2006 (NYT)	Joined AQAP before surrendering to Yemeni authorities in August 2010	August 2010 (AFP).	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	AFP
36.	Mehdi Mohammed Ghezali	Swedish	July 6, 2004 (NYT)	Detained in Pakistan in August 2009 while allegedly attempting to contact militants in North Waziristan, allegedly al Qaeda operatives (AP)	n/a; living freely in Sweden	Not listed publicly by DoD	1	CNN ; AFP ; Sunday Times

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1.	Majid Abdullah Lahiq al-Joudi (Majeed Abdullah al Joudi)	Saudi	February 20, 2007 (NYT)	“Terrorist facilitation”(DoD)	Unknown	Confirmed	2	DoD
2.	Ravil Shafeyavich Gumarov	Russian (DoD)	February 27, 2004 (NYT)	Gas line bombing	Re-arrested January 2005	Confirmed	2	IHT , DoD
3.	Timur Ravilich Ishmurat	Russian (DoD)	February 27, 2004 (NYT)	Gas line bombing	Re-arrested January 2005	Confirmed	2	IHT , DoD
4.	Humud Dakhil Humud Said al-Jadan	Saudi	July 15, 2007 (NYT)	“Association with known terrorists”	Unknown	Suspected	2	DoD
5.	Abd al Razzaq Abdallah Ibrahim al-Sharikh	Saudi	September 5, 2007 (NYT)	“Arrested in September 2008 for supporting terrorism”	September 2008	Suspected	2	DoD
6.	Adb al Hadi Abdallah al Sharikh	Saudi	September 2007 (DoD)	“Arrested in September 2008 for association with terrorist members; supporting terrorism”	September 2008	Suspected	2	DoD

7.	Abdullah D. Kafkas (Rasul Kudayev)	Russian	February 27, 2004 (NYT)	“Suspected involvement in an attack against a traffic police checkpoint in Nalchik in October 2005”	Re-arrested October 2005 for assault on govt facilities	Suspected	2	DoD , Washington Post
8.	Almasm Rabilavich Sharipov	Russian	February 27, 2004 (NYT)	“Association with terrorist group Hizb-ut-Tahrir”	Unknown	Suspected	2	DoD
9.	Ruslan Anatolovich Odijev (Odizhev)	Russian (DoD)	February 27, 2004 (NYT)	Joined Islamist insurgency in North Caucasus	Killed June 27, 2007 (IHT)	Suspected	2	IHT, DoD , Russia Today
10.	Mohammed Souleimani Laalami	Moroccan	February 7, 2006 (NYT)	Sentenced by Moroccan court for his role in creating and participating in “criminal gang, practice of activities in a non- recognized association and organization of un- authorized public meetings”	November 2006 (sentenced)	Not listed publicly by DoD	2	Jurist
11.	Mubarak Hussain Bin Abul Hashem	Bangladeshi	December 15, 2006 (NYT)	Detained in Bangladesh for “suspected anti-state activities”	December 23, 2006	Not listed publicly by DoD	2	The Peninsula
12.	Abdul Rahim Muslim Dost	Afghan	April 18, 2005 (NYT).	Traded by the Pakistani government to the Taliban for Pakistani Ambassador to Afghanistan; reportedly a Taliban commander in Pakistan’s tribal areas	n/a	Not listed publicly by DoD	2	Telegraph ; Pakistan Observer