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1. ACTION REQUIRED: NONE, FYI. BASE WELCOMES COMMENTS FROM ALEC/HQ ON SUBJECT'S INFORMATION AND FURTHER REQUIREMENTS.

2. SUMMARY: ON NOVEMBER 2001, DAY EIGHT OF BASE AGGRESSIVE PHASE INTERROGATIONS OF SENIOR AL-QA'IDA OPERATIVE 'ABD AL-RAHIM AL-((NASHIRI)), AKA MULLAH ((BILAL)) (SUBJECT), QUESTIONS FOR SUBJECT FOCUSED ON SUBJECT'S KNOWLEDGE OF ________________________, AND SUBJECT'S

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4. Interrogators entered subject's cell with security team at approximately and subject was removed from his box. Subject was led to the walling wall next to his chair, but directed to remain standing. Placed the rolled towel/neck support over subject's shoulders and grabbed it tightly, inducing subject to stand on tiptoe. "I understand you wanted someone to trim your nails for you yesterday," snarled. "That made me mad. You're still in deep, deep trouble. You are our prisoner, we are your keepers, and it doesn't get much lower than that. You had a hard time yesterday being attentive until I got your attention, and I'm very capable," promised as he used the walling technique with subject once, "of doing it again." Releasing his grip on the towel, added, "In fact I'd like to do it just based on general principles." Subject, who had shuffled out of his box with a limp, straightened up and said he understood. Subject was directed to sit down and answer questions.
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9. Subject was led back into his large box at approximately [redacted] and team reconvened for a brief meeting and lunch. After team reviewed requirements, prepared questions for interrogators, and held an afternoon strategy session, interrogators, [redacted] entered subject's cell at [redacted]. Subject either feigning a limp or perhaps with his leg asleep, shuffled across his cell and sat in a chair in front of the walling panel. Interrogators asked subject what was wrong with his leg, and subject replied that his leg irons were uncomfortable but that "it is OK."
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16. THE REMAINDER OF THE SESSION FOCUSED ON OTHER NAMES, PHOTOS, AND OTHER INFORMATION FORWARDED BY ALEC AND PROVIDED BY ___ OF SUSPECTED MEMBERS OF AL-NASHIRI'S CELL. IN EACH CASE, SUBJECT WAS SHOWN AVAILABLE PHOTOS, AND READ SUSPECTS' NAMES AND ALIASES. SUBJECT DENIED KNOWING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MEN, ___

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17. AS THE INTERROGATION CONCLUDED AND ___ LEFT THE ROOM, SUBJECT ROSE AS ORDERED EARLIER BY ___ INTERROGATORS TOLD SUBJECT THAT THEY WOULD RATHER HAVE HIM COOPERATE WITH INTERROGATORS THAN ENDURE PUNISHMENT, AND THEY EXPLAINED THAT UNTIL IT BECAME CLEAR THAT SUBJECT'S INFORMATION WAS FALSE, HE WOULD BE GIVEN SOLID FOOD AND ALLOWED TO SLEEP ON THE FLOOR OF HIS CELL WITH A MAT AND A TOWEL TO COVER HIMSELF. SECURITY TEAM ALSO REMOVED THE SMALL BOX FROM HIS CELL, LEAVING IT ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BARS. TEAM LEFT SUBJECT LOCKED IN HIS CELL AT ___

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