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GUANTANAMO DETAINEE PROFILE

Detainee ISN: MO-244

MO-244
Abdul Latif Nasir
Abu Taha, Taha al-Maghrebi, Abu el Harith al-Maghrebi, Abu Haroz
Moroccan
4 March 1965
May 2002

Abdul Latif Nasir (MO-244) fought for several years with the Taliban on the front lines in Kabul and Bagram, Afghanistan, and again at Tora Bora, as a commander and weapons trainer. He had been a conservative Muslim member of the non-violent but illegal Moroccan Sufi Islam group, Jamaat al Adl Wa al-Ihassan, in the 1980s, and was recruited to fight in Chechnya by a member of the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group in 1996 while working at one of Usama bin Ladin's charcoal production companies in Sudan.

- MO-244 traveled to Yemen on his way to Chechnya, but was rerouted to Afghanistan in 1997 to receive
 training in weapons, topography, and explosives at al-Qa'ida camps. MO-244 became a weapons trainer
 at al-Farouq training camp and a member of the al-Qa'ida training subcommittee. He had occasional
 access to senior al-Qa'ida members, including Usama bin Ladin.
- MO-244 led a retreat from Jalalabad, Afghanistan, to Tora Bora, Afghanistan, in late 2001 and acted in a leadership role at Tora Bora during fighting against US forces.

MO-244 has committed a low number of disciplinary infractions compared to other detainees and most of his infractions have been failures to comply with Guantanamo guard force orders. He was cooperative with interrogators early on in his detention, but later retracted many of his earlier statements about his extremist activities and has refused to meet with interrogators or discuss his past since September 2007, with the exception of one session in September 2011.

Because MO-244 has not met with interrogators for several years, we lack insight into his current mindset and whether he would pursue extremist activity after detention. MO-244 has not expressed extremist views against US citizens, but almost certainly resents the United States government and those he sees as responsible for his prolonged detainment. MO-244 has defended fighting jihad in certain circumstances and supports sharia law, which could make transfer to and integration into non-Muslim countries difficult. MO-244 has had no contact with former Guantanamo detainees or individuals involved in terrorism-related activities while at Guantanamo, and maintains close contact with his family in Morocco. MO-244 would almost certainly prefer transfer to Morocco to be with his family, who are willing and able to financially assist him with his reintegration into society.