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Al-Qaeda terrorist duped FBI, Army

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FORT BRAGG - Ali Mohamed lived a double life that seemed more fiction than fact. He served in the heart of the U.S. military at Fort Bragg and in the inner circle of Osama bin Laden's Islamic fundamentalist terrorists' network.

Long before he was arrested in connection with the 1998 car-bombing attacks on the American embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, there were questions about Ali Mohamed, a retired U.S. Army sergeant. He had puzzled fellow soldiers with his haughty attitude toward America and avowed Islamic fundamentalist beliefs.

Now, as the United States wages war on terrorism, the case of Mohamed shows what the CIA and FBI are up against: terrorist operatives who weave themselves into the fabric of America.

After al-Qaeda's car-bombings of the American embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, it became clear where his allegiance lay. Investigators linked Mohamed to the attacks, which killed 224 people and injured more than 4,500. He was arrested 34 days later and has since pleaded guilty and described his central role in the attack.

Even more than the hijackers of Sept. 11, Mohamed lived and trained in the United States. He had training as a Green Beret officer and turned those skills against the United States. Although law enforcement and intelligence agencies collected information on Mohamed, they assembled the pieces of the puzzle too late -- after the embassies had been bombed.

Identifying such terrorists resembles police work more than traditional warfare, experts say. Law enforcement and intelligence agencies need to cooperate and not compete over turf, if they are to apprehend terrorists like Mohamed.

"He was an active source for the FBI, a double agent," said Larry Johnson, a former CIA agent and director of counterterrorism at the State Department during the elder Bush's administration.

The FBI "did a lousy job of managing him," Johnson said. "He was holding out on them. He had critical information years ago and didn't give it up."

The FBI declined to be interviewed for this article.

So just who is this educated soldier, fluent in at least four languages, who trained on the drill grounds and red-clay firing ranges of Fort Bragg and taught Green Berets about the Middle East and Islamic fundamentalism? And how did he move back and forth between an outwardly normal immigrant's existence and the hidden world of al-Qaeda?

Mohamed's relationship with the FBI and intelligence services remains wrapped in secrecy. His plea agreement is sealed, as are many of the court documents and much of the testimony. Mohamed was expected to testify -- but did not -- at the trial where the four others were convicted. Mohamed and his lawyer have declined all interview requests.

But a picture emerges from court documents, interviews, trial transcripts and published accounts.

Ever since the attacks Sept. 11, Jason T. Fogg has found himself thinking about Ali Mohamed. He remembers a tall, serious former Egyptian Army major with a haughty attitude toward America.

Fogg, who knew nothing about Mohamed's role in al-Qaeda until a reporter told him, said he and Mohamed had spent three months together in Army training. Mohamed constantly compared the U.S. military with his own, and the former officer always found the American military wanting.

"To be in the [enlisted ranks] and have so much training was weird," said Fogg, now a supervisor with a freight company in Spring Hill, Tenn. "And to be in the U.S. military and have so much hate toward the U.S. was odd. He never referred to America as his country."

Mohamed was quiet but with a ferocious temper and very religious, Fogg said. This echoes court testimony by admitted al-Qaeda members earlier this year about the man they called "Abu Mohamed al Amriki" -- Mohamed the American.

Some al-Qaeda members, however, found spiritual shortcomings in the salty-tongued Mohamed.

"He is not a good practitioner of Islam," testified L'Houssaine Khertchou, a witness in the embassy bombings trial. "You can hear from him some bad words."

Egyptian army experience

Born in Alexandria in 1952, Mohamed joined the Egyptian army in 1971. With a bachelor's in psychology and two years of training at Egypt's military academy, he rose to major in the Egyptian special forces.

Sometime in the early 1980s, after Egyptian President Anwar Sadat made peace with Israel in the Camp David accords, Mohamed joined the fundamentalist group Egyptian Islamic Jihad.

About this time, the Egyptian army sent Mohamed to Fort Bragg for special forces training -- common for officers from countries the United States regards as friendly. Training beside U.S. Green Berets, he learned how to command elite soldiers on difficult missions such as special reconnaissance, unconventional warfare and counterinsurgency operations. After four months, he received a diploma with a green beret on it.

Returning home, he served in the Egyptian army for three more years. In 1984, he left to work as a security expert for Egypt Air -- and started to make contact with the CIA.

"This individual approached the CIA to offer information," a U.S. official told The News & Observer, speaking on condition that no further identification be provided. "Some time later, we found out he was talking to known terrorists and had identified himself as a CIA agent. We felt him to be untrustworthy, and we put him on the State Department watch list."

The CIA also warned other U.S. government agencies about Mohamed and urged them to detain him if possible, the official said.

The next year, in 1985, Mohamed managed to get a visa to enter the United States. One year later, he enlisted as a regular soldier in the U.S. Army at the age of 34, unusually old for a recruit. He was assigned to the U.S. Special Operations Command in Fort Bragg, the home of the Green Berets and the Delta Force, the elite counterterrorism squad.

Fluent in Arabic, Hebrew, French and English, Mohamed brought extensive knowledge of the Arab world. Though officially a supply sergeant, he spent much of his time teaching soldiers about the Mideast.

Robert Anderson, a retired lieutenant colonel, remembers him vividly. Anderson said Mohamed made no secret of his religious views.

"He had identified himself as a fundamentalist, but after I interviewed him I identified him as a fanatic," said Anderson, who lives in Fayetteville. "So after the interview I said, 'Well, there's one thing I would like to say: Anwar Sadat was a hero to Egypt and to the United States.' He looked at me with these steely eyes and said, 'Sadat was a traitor, and he had to die.'"

Mohamed's beliefs were not just talk.

In 1988, he told Anderson and others that he was using his leave to join the war in Afghanistan against Soviet occupation. The United States was then secretly supporting the Afghan rebels and supplying them with weapons; but it was highly irregular, if not illegal, for an active-duty U.S. soldier to fight in a foreign war. If the Soviets captured him and learned his identity, it would embarrass the United States and further aggravate international tensions.

Anderson and another of Mohamed's superiors speculated that Mohamed would end up in a military prison if he went. Anderson said he submitted an intelligence report to his superiors two weeks before Mohamed departed, but it was ignored.

Mohamed returned about a month later, Anderson said. He had clearly lost weight, suggesting that the trip had been strenuous.

"He comes back and brings me a belt from a Russian special forces soldier that he said he killed," Anderson said.

Anderson wrote up a second report and again heard no response.

Questions about Mohamed

Other soldiers who served with Mohamed said they had unanswered questions about him.

Lamar A. Wood, who worked in the motor pool attached to the 5th Special Forces Group, recalled a time when Mohamed was shipped back to the United States in 1988 during the annual Egypt-U.S. desert war games known as Operation Bright Star.

"He had to come back to the states only after three days or so," Wood said. "There was some trouble there."

Near the end of his tour at Bragg, Mohamed apparently got busier in his work with terrorist groups. Documents from court cases show that he traveled on weekends to New Jersey, where he trained other Islamic fundamentalists in surveillance, weapons and explosives.

He continued this training after he was honorably discharged in 1989 with commendations in his file, including one for "patriotism, valor, fidelity and professional excellence."

Mohamed spent the next five years in the Army Reserves. For nine years after he left active duty, until his arrest in 1998, Mohamed shuttled between California, Afghanistan, Kenya, Somalia and at least a dozen other countries, the court records show.

It was through his contacts with the Egyptian Islamic Jihad that he met bin Laden, but the date is not clear. It may have been in 1991, when Mohamed again went to Afghanistan to fight. That year, Mohamed helped move bin Laden from Afghanistan to Sudan.

Mohamed was soon handling some of bin Laden's most sensitive security matters, details of which he made public during his guilty plea. After a failed 1994 assassination attempt on bin Laden, Mohamed trained the inner circle of bodyguards for the Saudi exile.

He handled security when bin Laden moved his al-Qaeda entourage from Sudan back to Afghanistan in 1996, as well as when bin Laden met the Hezbollah chief who had directed the 1983 bombing of the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut.

Mohamed also shared his extensive military knowledge. He gave basic explosives training for al-Qaeda soldiers in Afghanistan in 1992 and translated training manuals from English to Arabic. In 1993, he trained Somali clansmen in the months leading up to a furious gun battle that took the lives of 18 U.S. soldiers.

Mohamed taught the terrorists how to create cell structures that preserved secrecy and how to move undercover in Western countries. He taught surveillance techniques: how to case targets, photograph them and write attack plans.

And he played a central role in the 1998 bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi, Kenya. In the early 1990s, he set up a cell in the Kenyan capital to support al-Qaeda's operations in Somalia, using a car business and a charity as cover.

"We used various code names to conceal our identities," Mohamed said in his guilty plea. "I used the name 'Jeff.' " In late 1993, al-Qaeda ordered Mohamed to scour Nairobi for targets that would avenge the U.S. involvement in Somalia.

Mohamed conducted surveillance of the U.S. Embassy, the U.S. Agency for International Development and two French facilities. He drew maps and diagrams and rigged a darkroom in a colleague's apartment to avoid dealing with a commercial developer. He later showed the photos to bin Laden in the Sudanese capital, Khartoum.

"Bin Laden looked at the picture of the American Embassy and pointed to where a truck could go as a suicide bomber," Mohamed told the court last year.

Bombings planned patiently

In planning the embassy attacks, Mohamed and his al-Qaeda associates showed the kind of patience that would later characterize the 2001 attacks in America. It was not until August 1998 -- four years later -- that Mohamed's partners parked a truck full of plastic explosives in the very spot bin Laden had chosen. The suicide bomb crumpled buildings, twisted and incinerated buses and shattered windows as far as five blocks away. The blast killed 224 people and injured more than 4,500.

Within two weeks, FBI agents led a squad of 10 into Mohamed's apartment in Sacramento, Calif., using a key provided by his apartment manager, according to testimony at the trial. They copied computer files and photographed documents.

The evidence they found of Mohamed's terrorist activities included documents from his cell in Kenya and materials on how to run terrorist cells and penetrate security cordons. Mohamed was subpoenaed to appear before a grand jury on Sept. 10, 1998. He was arrested as he left the grand jury room.

At the request of the U.S. Attorney, federal judges kept the arrest secret for almost a year, filing his case as "United States v. John Doe" and clearing the courtroom whenever it came up. Much of the case remains sealed.

Mohamed would have come first to the attention of the FBI in late 1990 after the murder of the Rabbi Meier Kahane, a radical Jewish leader. When authorities searched the home of El Sayyid Nosair, who was charged with Kahane's murder, they found U.S. Army training manuals, videotaped talks that Mohamed delivered at the Kennedy Special Warfare Center at Fort Bragg, an operation plan for Operation Bright Star and other materials marked "Classified" or "Top Secret."

Mohamed, who often stayed in New Jersey with Nosair, was the source of these documents. The documents didn't surface during Nosair's 1991 trial when he was acquitted of killing Kahane, but they did in 1995 when Nosair was convicted of conspiring to blow up the World Trade Center and other New York landmarks in 1993.

Roger Stavis, Nosair's attorney, argued to the jury that the U.S. Army sent Mohamed to New Jersey to do the training. One witness, Khalid Ibrahim, testified that he was trained by Mohamed in New Jersey and then saw him later in Afghanistan.

"He's on active duty, helping Muslims train to help Muslims in Afghanistan, as part of a U.S. government effort," Stavis said in an interview.

The FBI has acknowledged in court filings that its agents interviewed Mohamed several times after he left active duty. In 1993, he told the FBI that bin Laden "ran an organization called al-Qaeda and was building an army which may be used to overthrow the Saudi Government." In 1994, he told the FBI that he had moved bin Laden out of Afghanistan in 1991.

In a 1997 interview, Mohamed admitted to a much deeper involvement in al-Qaeda. An FBI agent wrote that Mohamed said that "he loved Bin Laden and believed in him" and that "one did not need a fatwah [religious ruling] to go against the United States since it was 'obvious' that the United States was the enemy."

However, not all of Bin Laden's people trusted Mohamed. In 1994, Mohamed Atef, the al-Qaeda commander credited with engineering the attack Sept. 11 on New York and Washington, refused to let Mohamed know what name and passport he was traveling under.

Atef "doesn't want Abu Mohamed al Amriki to see his name, because he was afraid that maybe he is working with United States or other governments," L'Houssaine Khertchou testified at the embassy bombing trial in February.

Defense lawyers and many other observers believe that Mohamed, who has not yet been sentenced, is now cooperating with the United States, though the government has never confirmed this. When he is finally sentenced, Mohamed could receive as little as 25 years under his plea agreement, which would allow him to be free at 73.

David Ruhnke, attorney for one of the four embassy bombing defendants, said that Mohamed's deal with the government might strike the jury as unfair, because the the government was seeking the death penalty for two defendants.

"Some of the things [Mohamed] admitted were so serious," Ruhnke said. "The government worried it would impact the jury."

But Larry Johnson, the former State Department counterterrorism chief, has a more skeptical interpretation: Putting Mohamed on trial would unearth material extremely embarrassing for the government.

"The reason he didn't testify was so they wouldn't have to face uncomfortable statements on the FBI," Johnson said. "They are more interested in covering their ass."

There are lessons to be learned, Johnson said. The FBI should have polygraphed Mohamed and used counterintelligence techniques to see if he was forthcoming. The CIA and the FBI should have worked together on Mohamed.

Mohamed has not spoken in public since his guilty plea, but his prior statements carry warnings to the country in whose military he served.

"He knows, for example, that there are hundreds of 'sleepers' or 'submarines' in place who don't fit neatly into the terrorist profile," a 1997 FBI report said. "These individuals don't wear the traditional beards and don't pray at the mosques."

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To: **Nancie Drew; Secret Squid; golitely; Wallaby; Uncle Bill; BlueDogDemo; aristeides; Fred Mertz...**

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4 posted on **Sun Oct 21 23:50:00 2001** by **OKCSubmariner**
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To: **jern**

Good job, nice post. This is exactly the reason EVERYONE from the Middle East on any kind of a visa should be made to leave us, and if they want to come back to America, go through a HIGHLY improved background check. They are our guests, and they committed murder here. We don't want you people here any longer.

5 posted on **Sun Oct 21 23:52:51 2001** by **lodwick**
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To: **jern**

This article points out the long way our country will have to go towards restoring order.

I guess we were without an enemy when the Soviet Union faded, and Clinton led this country to the near death of self-respect and patriotism.

The Clinton legacy is more devastating than any Al-Qaeda attack, for it makes such attacks possible.

6 posted on **Sun Oct 21 23:57:10 2001** by **EaglesUpForever**
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To: **jern**

...and just how many others like him are among us?

7 posted on **Sun Oct 21 23:57:54 2001** by **HoustonKevin**
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To: **jern**

Can someone please explain to me how in the hell we let these people live? They kill hundreds of people and wind up getting life. I just don't get itat all.

I have one word about what needs to be done about any muslims that have ever revealed even the slightest inkling of anti-American sympathies.

PURGE

8 posted on **Sun Oct 21 23:58:26 2001** by **AAABEST**
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To: **Uncle Bill; Wallaby; Askel5**

I sometimes wonder if I will cease to be outraged by what our government has allowed to happen to our country. Then I read stories like this...

9 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:01:55 2001** by **kristinn**
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To: **lodwick**

Or as Phyllis Schaffly said, "We don't have to respect all cultures equally." As onerous as Red China's government normally is, to see'em ban all incomings from the middle east in one fell swoop last week, makes me kind of envious in a way.

10 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:08:34 2001** by **at bay**
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To: **Scholastic**

FYI.

11 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:08:57 2001** by **kristinn**
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To: **jern**

Ping))))))

12 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:09:38 2001** by **TeleStraightShooter**
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To: **kristinn**

I hear you Kristinn. The part that really bugs me is this:

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I know FT Bragg quite well. This little nugget would have/should have been the talk of his unit, either out of awe or in labling him a nutcase. They take national security issues pretty serious in Fayetteenam.

13 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:11:25 2001** by **VA Advogado**
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To: **jern**

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Nor did the 19 hijackers for that matter but there can be no doubt that sleeper terrorist cells are here and may not be easily found. Which again brings back the need to deport all visiting Muslims here to greatly reduce the risks of more terrorist attacks in America. Any terrorist remaining will be in constant fear of being found and hence less able to carry out heinous acts on our citizens.

15 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:12:53 2001** by **WRhine**
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To: **Nancie Drew; Secret Squid; golitely; Wallaby; Uncle Bill; BlueDogDemo; aristeides; Fred Mertz...**

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16 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:16:33 2001** by **OKCSubmariner**
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17 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:17:38 2001** by **OKCSubmariner**
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To: **at bay**

Everyone. The Swiss will not allow any worker to come into their country, unless it can be demonstrated that there is NO Swiss citizen able to perform whatever the job may be.

God help us all, and help this administration. Is there any common sense left anywhere in DC?

18 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:20:14 2001** by **lodwick**
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To: **Nancie Drew; Secret Squid; golitely; Wallaby; Uncle Bill; BlueDogDemo; aristeides; Fred Mertz...**

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19 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:20:44 2001** by **OKCSubmariner**
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To: **VA Advogado**

I'm too disgusted to comment more on this without using profanity. I'd best go cool off for awhile.

20 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:21:11 2001** by **kristinn**
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To: **AAABEST**

I have one word about what needs to be done about any muslims that have ever revealed even the slightest inkling of anti-American sympathies. PURGE.

I agree totally, or to put it another way: **When in doubt, put them out!**

21 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:21:14 2001** by **newslady**
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To: **OKCSubmariner**

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Are you implying that the FBI not only knew about Al Qaeda terrorist cells but helped in their planning so they could chase terrorists around the country? And that they still refuse to arrest some 5 terrorist cells even though they know who and where they are? That sounds too hard to believe.

22 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:26:59 2001** by **WRhine**
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To: **jern**

It was eight years of neglect and outright treason during the Clinton reign of terror that put people in place in the FBI and the CIA who were ill-equipped to understand the the real thing when they saw it. Must not do racial profiling, you know. Better dead Americans than racial profiling. We can thank the Clinton people for this.

23 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:27:02 2001** by **swampfox98**
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To: **jern**

A common thread between all these terrorist is that they can NOT hide their contempt for America.

24 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:27:20 2001** by **Grig**
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To: **EaglesUpForever**

#6

Well said!

25 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:32:26 2001** by **Bogie**
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To: **jern**

Thanks for your post. This creep also lived and operated in my home town, Santa Clara, with an American woman he met (later he married her) while returning from one of his trips to train terrorists.

Recently, the head of the San Francisco FBI had the gall to state in a prominent article in the local newspapers that there are no Al-Qaeda people in the bay area. And yet the transcript of the trial for this guy with his Santa Clara and Sacramento addresses and telephone numbers is all over the internet! The local mosque where he operated and where Bin Laden's close terrorist comrade Zawahiri solicited funds also denied the two had been among them.

26 posted on **Mon Oct 22 00:46:30 2001** by **CIAPilot**
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To: **jern**

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Sheesh, is it really so impossible these days to demand patriotism and love of country from guys we have in our **own** friggin' ARMED FORCES? Or are we "celebrating diversity" so much these days that this piece of filth's attitude actually scored him points?!!

"Political correctness" isn't simply a ludicrous hassle or maddening irritant any more. It's **KILLING** us. This article is proof.

27 posted on **Mon Oct 22 01:00:18 2001** by **Map Kernow**
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To: **TEXASPROUD**

Read this carefully.....Stay Safe

28 posted on **Mon Oct 22 01:01:16 2001** by **Squantos**
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To: **VA Advogado**

Obviously, Anderson's reports were ignored because Mohammed's activities in Afghanistan had the approval of some higher-ups. If there is a congressional inquiry into Sept. 11, I wonder if the investigators will be able to get access to the documents concerning that approval.

29 posted on **Mon Oct 22 01:02:37 2001** by **aristeides**
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To: **jern**

Stories such as these make clear what must be done.

30 posted on **Mon Oct 22 01:18:57 2001** by **Thumper1960**
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To: **jern**

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31 posted on **Mon Oct 22 01:41:28 2001** by **Gemflint**
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To: **OKCSubmariner**

All of my search attempts for this article in the Washington Post have failed. Would you be able to link to it or point me in the right direction. Sorry for the trouble, I'm having difficulty verifying this.

32 posted on **Mon Oct 22 01:45:25 2001** by **screed**
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To: **jern**

How many more of these people are out there? From the inferences of this article,... plenty! And they're not all just a bunch of dopey schmucks, either.

Time to round up ALL those men of Muslim background who are here on Visas (and those we can catch who are here illegally) and ship them to wherever 'home' is. It surely isn't here.

33 posted on **Mon Oct 22 01:57:43 2001** by **Gritty**
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To: **jern**

Upon reading this post, it reminded me of something my son who is at mentioned base. That someone (not mentioning that someone's name for obvious reasons) was constantly trying to recruit my son into this moslem or islamic belief (whichever). However, my son said the person was so very persistant, it began to upset him.

After reading this post, I decided to search the internet for this persons name. The search was weird because when I searched only first name, some of the respones did not actually give me what I was requesting, but even more.

However, an open letter to President Bush dated Oct 15,2001 came up. If this has not already been posted, it can be found at <http://sultan.org> or <http://ianaradionet.com/letter/> and then click on An open letter to President Bush

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34 posted on **Mon Oct 22 01:58:09 2001** by **TexKat**
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To: **TexKat**

AN OPEN LETTER TO PRESIDENT BUSH

SAFAR IBN ABD AL-RAHMAN AL-HAWALI

15 October, 2001

Mr. President:

I am writing this letter to you in hope that it will be taken into account without regard to the faith of its writer, or the color of his skin, and despite your new division of the children of Adam into the civilized who support all your views, and the barbarians who do not.

Perhaps this letter is strange to you, as I write to you as one of the heirs of the prophets, and the prophets, as we know, used to address the tyrants of the earth in the hope that they might repent and fear the Lord of all the worlds. Thus did Moses –peace be upon him- address Pharaoh, Haman, and Karun, and thus did Jesus –peace be upon him- address the Romans and the High Priest of the Jews, and thus did Muhammad –peace and blessings be upon him- address Abu Jahl in Makkah, as well as the Roman Emperor Heraclius and the Persian Emperor Khosraw. It is not necessary for the recipient to listen to or acknowledge the messenger, but it is merely his duty to convey the message.

I write to you as a member of an oppressed and persecuted community in a condition like that of Jesus when he was persecuted by the Jews on one side, and Romans on the other side. It is regrettable that the United States, a nation founded by immigrants fleeing persecution, has taken for itself the position of the Roman Empire which persecuted the followers of Christ –peace be upon him- and colluded– with the enemies of faith (the unbelievers of the children of Israel) to slay the prophets and messengers, and to slay their followers in all times and places. At that time the Roman Empire claimed to be the symbol of freedom and civilized values, just as you claimed referred to America in your first statement after the incidents of September 11. It was the greatest world power of its day, the heir of Greek civilization. It had a Senate and a façade of democracy. The Roman citizen had freedom of religion and personal behavior. All this made it superior to other Empires throughout the world, and yet history does not speak well of this Empire because of the repulsive crime with which it stained its reputation: the persecution of the Christians. For this reason that Great Power lost its valuable distinctions when it oppressed a group of believers in God: Who alone possesses absolute power, absolute might, and absolute justice, Who is Mighty in His punishment which He withholds for the oppressor for awhile, but Who one day takes vengeance against him.

Indeed, that is what He did. The Northern Barbarians overpowered Rome and destroyed it, They burned its cultural symbols and shattered its arrogance at the beginning of the fifth century of the

Christian era. Two centuries later, God caused the followers of the final Prophet Muhammad –God’s blessing and peace be upon him- to inherit the Holy Land in which Christ –peace be upon him- had lived. This was a tremendous victory for Christ since the Islamic Faith which conquered and liberated most of the known world from despotism and persecution, and filled it with mercy and justice, manifested for mankind the greatness of Christ –peace be upon him- and the truth of Christ’s message, as well as the merit of his disciples and their followers as was revealed in detail in the Holy Qur’an. The Islamic community considered itself to be the final link in the long chain of followers of the prophets which began with Abraham, and included Moses and Jesus –peace be upon them- and declared to all the world that the enemies of Christ –peace be upon him- are the enemies of freedom and lofty values, especially the Jews, regardless of whether they denied Christ and incited the Romans against him, or whether they pretended to follow him so as to distort his message as did Saul who is called ‘Paul.’ The amazing thing is that the peoples who tasted the affliction of Roman tyranny and arrogance rejoiced at the destruction of Rome and wondered at the actions of the ‘Northern Barbarians’ who did it, despite the fact that they did not know or like them, yet how much more so would it have been if –for example- Rome had been attacked by the oppressed Christians? Would anyone have ventured to blame the Christians if they rejoiced or sympathized with the attackers?

Mr. President,

We Muslims are a nation of justice. At the same time our ethics do not allow us to rejoice over the misfortunes of the afflicted, yet we would still hope that the United States would review its stand and be more fair, so that we might once again give the benefit of the doubt to the United States for which there are precedents that encourage this hope, and which demonstrate how we used to move two steps towards them for every step of theirs, and a mile for every move of theirs. When President Wilson announced his fourteen points at the end of World War I, and especially the right of self-determination of peoples, it was greeted by the Islamic world as a just position towards European Colonialism that dominated most of its peoples. The Muslims rejoiced at a voice from among the Christian nations themselves saying that the time had come for an end to racial discrimination and crusader campaigns –such as the one led by General Allenby. Thus, the Islamic peoples hastened to place their complete trust in this neutral nation (the United States of America) and the United States profited greatly from this, since besides the moral distinctions it earned, it also achieved the greatest economic advantages in history. Their trust was not shaken even by its unjust position concerning the establishment of the Jewish state and the deprivation of the Palestinian people of their right to self-determination, but the Islamic peoples clung to their hope that that policy was simply an error that might be rectified. Similarly, President Eisenhower’s position towards the three-party aggression against Egypt was one of the biggest factors that encouraged the continuation of the benefit of the doubt for America and the refusal to listen to the claims of the communists –which were not entirely false.

However, the trust in America and its justice was rapidly shaken and then declined to the ground because of America’s own behavior which came in the form of one proof after another which permanently refuted the benefit of the doubt.

Perhaps the first of these absolute proofs was the actions of President Nixon and his Secretary of State Kissinger during and after the Ramadhan (October) War of 1973, then your father, President Bush whose duplicity of standards were obvious to everybody. Iraq violated the same or fewer international agreements then those that Israel has and continues to violate. Iraq’s excuse in doing so was similar to those used by America to incorporate Texas into its territory. As for Israel’s excuse for occupying Palestine, it is worse than the British justification for keeping America as a British colony, and more repulsive than your ancestor’s excuse for the genocide of the American Indian!

It is this contradictory position which compelled the Islamic peoples to attend demonstrations by the millions in support of a dictator whom none of them had previously liked. Then came President Clinton and his Jewish administration. He was more concerned than either yourself or your father with finding a solution for the problem but he followed the same wrong road; describing the horrible terrorist attack on the Abraham Mosque in Hebron as no more than a "crime." You and he both know that up until now there has never been a Palestinian attack on any Jewish place of worship, and when the terrorist attack occurred in Cana he was not ashamed to describe it as "an unintentional mistake done by the Israelis in self-defense." Yet when Israel was faced with bombings, he gathered all the World and Arab leaders at the Sharm al-Shaykh conference so that they could all condemn "terrorism" ignoring the continuous barbaric massacres and the long chain of tragedies which the Israelis have brought upon the Palestinians and Arabs, which were not described at all. This caused the Islamic peoples to dissociate from America in view of the fact that it dictated to the attendees what Israel wanted, and from their governments in view of the fact that they yielded to the American administration. They turned with all their suffering and hopes to the groups described as terrorist without any concern about that description, since the conference taught them a good lesson in understanding the terminology of the American double standard: that when America decides that someone is a terrorist or an extremist it places them in the position of legendary heroes in the eyes of the oppressed and the wretched who need some airing after their long defeat and subservience, and as Claes (former Secretary General of NATO) officially informed them that the alliance had placed Islam as the focus of its enmity in place of the former Soviet Union. There is no need for additional practical proofs after this unique title, proofs which arrive daily from everywhere from the Philippines, Timor, Kashmir, the Caucasus, the Balkans, Sudan, and many other places –except that what occurred in Palestine after the defiling of the Aqsa Mosque by the greatest terrorist criminal of this age: Sharon, outweighed all the others.

It was your misfortune after your difficult election victory to be contemporaneous with that criminal, and to continue your eternal strategic alliance with him.

We Muslims desired to see you elected and we have proof that the votes which gave you victory were our votes, and I personally advised Muslims to vote for you. Some of them hoped that you would be fairer than the Democrats although others clearly stated that the matter was no more than choosing the lesser of two evils. We did not do that out of forgetfulness of the crimes of your party and your father throughout the Muslim World, but because we are a nation of justice and reason we held back our feelings and made the choice which we felt was best for us and for America also. We hoped that you would repay good with good, but you did the complete opposite by increasing your predecessor's material and political support of Zionist terrorism in the form which has occurred and continues to occur. Bewildered questions were repeated on the lips of everyone in the Islamic World: Does the American administration have a conscience? Does this biased stance which has dismayed the entire world have any justification and will it ever end? Is America Greater Israel or is Israel Lesser America?

In the midst of this continuous confusion and frustration, the events of the 11th of September occurred. I will not conceal from you that a tremendous wave of joy accompanied the shock that was felt by the Muslim in the street and whoever tells you otherwise is avoiding the truth. It is my opinion that America which believes in freedom and democracy -as you repeat in your speeches- should not become upset by this one-time joy, and should not seize upon the Muslim's spontaneous outpouring of feeling. This nation, which worships God and believes in justice more than any nation on earth, did not do that out of racist enmity or evil intent, but they were joined in this by the entire world: the world that kicked you out of the Organization for Human Rights. 3000 popular organizations mobilized against you at the Durban conference. More than forty nations suffer from your oppressive boycotts and economic penalties, let alone from your military incursions. Even the environment has identified you before the world as its greatest enemy.

People's shock at your first speech was greater than their shock at the event itself. It totally equated America with freedom, justice and noble values, and it contained a harsh threat of vengeance rather than a promise of fair cooperation. We tried to excuse you because of the shock of the events and the need to absorb popular anger, but all of your statements as well as your actions have been of the same mode and have severed any other possibility.

Reckless accusations and hasty revenge are the real tragedy for America, and the true test of its values and civilization. Your security apparatus –which had boasted that it could catch a fly passing over the Pentagon and that it would no about a riot among the Eskimos before it occurred- rushed to the nearest flight school and the nearest hotel and took down the name of every Arab or Muslim student or resident and announced that they are the terrorists!

Imagine Mr.President, if you were sitting among your family or tribe thousands of miles away and heard or saw the news that you had been part of a suicide operation on a plane? or that it was done by your brother who had died a year ago? Wouldn't you thank God that you were not a citizen of that civilized country or a believer in their so-called values and justice? Especially when your very civilized people answered these calls of yours, your cabinet members, and your security apparatus and started to attack the barbarian invaders in every free and civilized part of your country. I and the people of my country have discovered how barbaric were are when a gang of Westerners –I will not call them terrorists since they have white skin and blue eyes- performed a series of explosions in our cities, we watched as they gave their serious confessions, and yet we made not the smallest move to attack any Western person in any place in our country, we did not kill them, or strip search them in our airports, nor did we place them in solitary confinement, let alone incite the whole world to form an alliance against them. No, we did nothing of that which your civilized people have done to our children and Muslim brothers in general.

What caused us to behave in this manner is our religion and ethics, for which gift we thank God. At this point I would like to ask you Mr. President, if the world chose you to give a prize for the people with the most advanced morals and values, and the best treatment of others, which of the two peoples would you give the prize? To your people or to ours?

Does this mean that we bear ill will toward the American people for that we are racist in our treatment of them? No. Never. We believe that the American people in general have such good attributes that they are the closest of all Western peoples to us, and the most deserving of all of them of our desire for them to achieve good in this life and in the hereafter. They are a people the majority of whom believe in the existence of God, and who donate to charitable work more than any other people in the world (and by that we do not mean the evangelization of the Muslims).

The truest proof of the goodness of the American people is that they have embraced Islam more quickly and in greater numbers than other peoples of the world, and have tried to understand it better even after you held the Muslims responsible for the disaster without evidence.

We desire all good and honor for a people like this from the bottom of our hearts, and good and honor are only achieved by any people by one of two things:

- 1- Embracing God's Faith which is alone acceptable to Him, the Faith of all the prophets: Islam. By doing this Allah grants them both the good of this world and that of the next world.
- 2- Making peace with the Muslims, loving them, and treating them kindly. By doing this Allah rewards them security and good in this world.

This Islamic nation, the followers of Abraham and Muhammad –God’s blessing and peace be upon him- is dearest to God of all nations. Whoever honors them is honored by God, and whoever despises them is despised by God, though He may grant them respite for a time. History is a witness to this.

You may say, or others may have said on your behalf, “I have apologized for using the term ‘crusade’, I have visited the Islamic Center, and I have advice the people to control themselves,” but we say, “We are used to America to inflict deep wounds and then putting a small bandage on them, but your present attack on Afghanistan has violently removed those bandages and opened a wound in the heart of every Muslim.

Mr. President, if only when you did what you did, you had avoided the racist terminology of your speeches about hostile action. It would have been enough for you to simply claim the right -with no need for justification- treat the world any way you want, and to punish whomever you want, whenever you want. But then you had to go on and leave the desire for revenge open without any end in sight when you said “ Today we will concentrate on Afghanistan, but the battle is wider than that.” Is it not enough for you to destroy a whole nation because of an unproven accusation against a single person or organization forced to live in that country? Is this hostility which exceeds all values and morals, and shakes every living conscience in the world only a drop in the sea of your vengeance?

Did Christ –peace be upon him- grant you that power? Far be it for him to do that. Even Machiavelli himself does not grant you that degree of power. Your precedent in this is Samson. Won’t you fear God –you who have made your slogan to be “God bless America?” How can God bless and protect her when Christ His Messenger taught exactly the opposite of what you do: “Whoever strikes you on your right cheek, then turn to him your left cheek. Whoever takes from you your garment, then give him also your cloak. And whoever mocks you for a mile, go with him for two miles.”

Do you not understand that when you make the desire for endless vengeance to be the attribute of the civilized nation, you make Christ –peace be upon him- to be an uncivilized barbarian? Far be it for him, but you have rejected God and Christ, and followed the behavior of the Popes of the Middle Ages who used to grant indulgences and excommunication according to their whims. You have granted an everlasting pardon to yourselves and to the Zionist State, and to every hostile tyrant, and you have issued an excommunication for anyone who hesitates to join your endless hostility by describing them as terrorists or supporters of terrorism.

You search with microscopes for so-called terrorist groups in Somalia which has been destroyed by poverty, or in the Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon whose humble dwellings are threatened by Zionist terrorism every day. But you forget that horrible terrorism tangibly dwells among you. It is you, and nothing but you. If you do not believe this then tell me by God, if your best friend comes to congratulate you in ten years on the victory you hope to achieve over the mysterious enemy you have fabricated, what will he be able to congratulate you about? Supposing that he says, “Mr. President, we have killed one million Afghans, one million Iraqis, one million of this and that,” until the end of your cursed list, will that be a victory for civilization, lofty values, freedom and democracy? Certainly among your victims will be starving, naked widows and children. Will that satisfy your desire for vengeance? Shamelessly, you will use the fact that they are alive as evidence that you limited yourselves to the destruction of their mud houses and wooden huts as strategic targets of the smart bombs of your clean war that do not kill people.

At this point the world that you have made depressed and sad for as long as God wills, will finally laugh. Yes, they will be forced to laugh by the civilized joke of the miraculous intelligence of your missiles: When you hit Iraq, Iran screamed. When you aimed at Afghanistan during your first attack on that

country, you hit Pakistan, and one of your smart missiles infuriated the Yellow Giant by destroying its embassy in Belgrade. I admit –in all fairness- the intelligence of at least one of your missiles: the Patriot missile which saw one of the stupid Scuds which had lost its way, so it knocked it to the right direction and invited it to dinner with the American intelligence officers in Khobar.

As for being clean, the whole world bears witness that you fought the cleanest war but with one simple observation: that although you cleaned out Hiroshima and Nagasaki, you unintentionally left a little pollution in its place. Perhaps you will realize your mistake in Afghanistan and its citizens, and be more generous and paint the sites with a little cheap American paint.

However, for the sake of the truth we should also say that there is little doubt about the cleanness of your war in Iraq since the witnesses against you are children, and the law does not accept the witness of children even if they number in the millions, but the witnesses for your side are adults of the level of dictators and their generals.

Mr. President, do you think that your list in which you announce the names of terrorist organizations and the countries that support terrorism will serve your interests, or will it be further proof that the world is against you? Who is the advisor who suggested publishing this list at the same time that people discovered your own house is glass and is still broken? Why do you make enemies of those who throw stones at you from Japan in the East, to Peru in the West? During the present dangerous security situation in your country wouldn't it have been enough for you to choose one country and one organization? Or do you want to incite all of them, so that if any one of them performs a terrorist operation you can hold the Muslims alone responsible so that your Crusade against them can continue forever?

Mr. President, don't suppose that I want to recount your few faults and forget our own (in your eyes) very many faults. No, I will mention to you a serious fault of us Muslims: we don't forget our tragedies no matter how much time has passed. Imagine, Mr. President, we still weep over Andalusia and remember what Ferdinand and Isabella did there to our religion, culture and honor! We dream of regaining it. Nor will we forget the destruction of Baghdad, or the fall of Jerusalem at the hands of your Crusader ancestors. That is, we are not (in your opinion) at the level of civilization enjoyed by the Germans and Japanese who support your hostilities and forget your past treatment of them. Moreover, the African Muslims who embraced Islam after the fall of Andalusia cry along with the Arabs, just as the Indonesians do who only heard recently heard about Andalusia. It may be a problem for us, but who will pay the price after awhile?

Mr. President, your problem with the Afghans –and the Muslims in general- is that you are stronger than necessary and they are weaker than necessary. Every time you use excessive force, or are excessive in using it, it proves to be a weakness in strength. This is a great divine mystery which reminds us of what happened to the tyrant Pharaoh at the hands of the oppressed children of Israel. Listen to the story from God's Holy Scripture:

Ta Seen Meem. These are the revelations of the manifest scripture. We recite to you some of the story of Moses and Pharaoh in truth, for a people who have faith. Pharaoh exalted himself in the land and divided its people into groups, oppressing one group among them: slaying their sons and sparing their women. Truly, he was one of the tyrants. We desire to bless those who are oppressed in the land, to make them rulers and to make them the heirs, and to establish them in the land. We let Pharaoh, Haman and their hosts receive from them that of which they had feared. “ (28:1-6)

Do not say, “Who am I compared to Pharaoh?” You have demanded of the Muslims what Pharaoh never demanded of Moses –peace be upon him- and the children of Israel: that they should not hate you

in their hearts no matter what you do to them or how you oppress them, or else you will have revenge on them. This is an attribute exclusive to God, for God Almighty alone is the Able to wreak vengeance on all who do not love Him. We know of no dictatorial empire in ancient history which treated people according to what their hearts and consciences conceal, let alone a twenty-first century democracy.

You may say, "We intend to remove anything that will incite hate from sermons, school curricula, newspaper articles and the media." We reply that if that is your democracy, then there is try as you like, but you should be sure that you will not succeed. We learned to hate oppression and love the truth from our religion and our Qur'an, and it is stronger than all of your means, and firmer than your mountains. If you refuse everything but the arrogance of force and the insanity of greatness, then there are no means left for you except the extermination of all the Muslims with nuclear or biological weapons, or whatever you want from hellish arsenal contains.

You may ask, "Why all of them when some of them love us?" Be sure, there is no Muslim on earth who loves you, even if they donate their blood to you, or set up intelligence gathering stations for you, or delegate to you setting the curriculum for the education of their people. Everyone on earth who claims to love you –and no Muslim is able to make that claim- they only love you like frightened prey loves a brutal predator.

You may say, "We will restore the trust of the Islamic peoples by changing their government into tolerant and democratic systems." But we say you need only cease your evil treatment of us. You destroyed the Iraqi people as well as others by this false promise, and we do not want any freedom or democracy that comes from you and we will not accept it. The enemy of freedom cannot grant freedom.

Mr. President, I advise you and put the fear of God before you, to cease and desist from hostile action. Deal with the problem with fairness and patience, and you will find that we are with you reservation. Your hostility now, at the beginning of the way, is easier for you and better for the world. If not, easy beginnings are usually followed by extremely difficult ends. For that reason I ask you to think, Mr. President, if you destroy every country on your list of terrorists, will that be the end or only the beginning? Unless you want to be remembered by history for Armageddon, and in that case there will be no history anyway

For this reason I repeat to you: Fear God and think hard.

Peace upon him who follows God's guidance,

Safar ibn `Abd al-Rahman Al-Hawali

here is the letter you are talking about

35 posted on **Mon Oct 22 02:06:16 2001** by **jern**
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To: **jern**

So just who is this educated soldier, fluent in at least four languages, who trained on the drill grounds and red-clay firing ranges of Fort Bragg and taught Green Berets about the Middle East and Islamic fundamentalism? And how did he move back and forth between an outwardly normal immigrant's existence and the hidden world of al-Qaeda?

I have to admit that in all my occasional dealings with those of Middle Eastern origin, I have been perplexed by the "cognitive dissonance" that seems to be the norm in their cultures.

For example: The simultaneous "hatred" of Western decadence--porn, booze, vice of all kinds--and their participation in it (the hijackers of 9/11 apparently boozed and whored it up the night before).

That's but one small example; there are others I could relate.

36 posted on **Mon Oct 22 02:08:01 2001** by **Illbay**
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To: **Squantos**

FUBAR! Nothing changes.

37 posted on **Mon Oct 22 02:23:43 2001** by **TEXASPROUD**
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To: **jmurphy4413; Squantos; harpseal; SLB; Lent; patent; FITZ; gonzo; Manny Festo; maica**

"He knows, for example, that there are hundreds of 'sleepers' or 'submarines' in place who don't fit neatly into the terrorist profile," a 1997 FBI report said. "These individuals don't wear the traditional beards and don't pray at the mosques."

No matter how many bombs and Rangers we drop on Afghanistan, if we don't get serious about rooting out these terrorists and their support networks in the USA we will lose this war.

38 posted on **Mon Oct 22 02:25:40 2001** by **Travis McGee**
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To: **Illbay**

"cognitive dissonance" that seems to be the norm in their cultures.

That's what it seems like. They can say they hate Western values one minute, then you see them go to a bar and pick up the sleeziest girl there and keep her for a while as a girlfriend. They will say they hate the USA, you ask them why and they rattle on about Zionism. Then you ask them what that is and they rattle on about banks, and Jews taking interest, and the US media and Hollywood. They just seem so passionate about something so vague.

39 posted on **Mon Oct 22 02:31:19 2001** by **FITZ**
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To: **screed**

This is the reference for the Bob Woodward article from the Wash Post. The link for the article on the FR is given at the bottom of this reply.

Investigators Identify 4 to 5 Groups Linked to Bin Laden Operating in U.S.

Source: Washington Post

Published: September 23, 2001 Author: Bob Woodward and Walter Pincus

Posted on 9/22/01 9:58 PM Pacific by sarcasm

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40 posted on **Mon Oct 22 02:38:10 2001** by **OKCSubmariner**
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To: **lodwick**

Any photos of this guy available?

42 posted on **Mon Oct 22 02:42:03 2001** by **not-an-ostrich**
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To: **WRhine**

I am not implying it, I am stating it as fact of FBI/DOJ US gov policy and practice. The FBI is still not moving against known Abu Nidal, AlQaeda and Hamas cells and members inside the US even now including a large cell in OKC (I am CERTAIN of this) that has been here for more than ten years. It is outrageous.

First see reply # 40 to screed for the Bob Woodward article. Read the article closely for FBI claims that they cannot move agsinst the known AlQaeda cells but are surveiling them anyway (they know who they are!)

Second, Louis Freeh testified to COngress in May 1995 that the FBI had helped populate three Abu Nidal terror cells in the US (Dallas,LA and near DC) so the FBI could follow them around. THESE cells are still not being moved on. Also I argued for several years with the Pentagon terrorism advisor Jesse Clear (and FBI counter terrorism agent Paul Geiger) about this bad policy.

Even a curator at the OKC bombing Memorial museum, Jane Thomas, who also works with the new Terror Institute at the Memorial, told me the FBI told her that the FBI would not move against ME terror cells because the FBI did not want to jepardize their undercover operations and agents. I told her the FBI should withdraw their agents then go after the known terrorists.

I told Clear that the FBI would loose track of the cell members while they set up more cells and do more terror acts (like Ali Mohamed) . The FBI method of following Arab terrorists like they follow Mob and Klux Klux Klan members does not work when it comes to countering Arab terrorism inside the US. The FBI should either deport them or find a pretext to arrest them.

44 posted on **Mon Oct 22 02:54:32 2001** by **OKCSubmariner**
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To: **Nancie Drew; golitely; Wallaby; Uncle Bill; BlueDogDemo; aristeides; Fred Mertz; roughrider...**

Please See replies #22, 40 and 44.

45 posted on **Mon Oct 22 03:02:30 2001** by **OKCSubmariner**
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To: **screed**

Please see replies #22 and 44.

46 posted on **Mon Oct 22 03:04:12 2001** by **OKCSubmariner**

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To: **EaglesUpForever**

You must have mis-read the dates in this article. He got his first round of training under Reagan, then joined the Army under Bush-1. Though Clinton was an a-hole, all this stuff goes much deeper. How many more of these "peace-loving" moslems have gone thru Ft. Bragg in the last 20 yrs???????

47 posted on **Mon Oct 22 03:13:34 2001** by **cayman99**

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To: **jern**

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48 posted on **Mon Oct 22 03:37:57 2001** by **TheOtherOne**

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To: **cayman99**

During the Cold War there was every reason to take the help of these people, but they shouldn't have been left in place. It was during the Clinton era that the dangers became most apparent, and Clinton responded by 8 full years of acts like bombing the Serbs.

Reagan and Bush played with fire, but they had an excuse. Clinton failed to put out that fire, in fact he helped it grow.

49 posted on **Mon Oct 22 03:39:05 2001** by **EaglesUpForever**

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To: **OKCSubmariner**

Sounds to me that Mohamed was likely a double (or triple) agent. It sickens me that we can't get at the truth; the FBI's image seems to be more important.

50 posted on **Mon Oct 22 03:43:56 2001** by **Fred Mertz**

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