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Title:

Khalid M. Al-Mihdhar

Khalid Al-Mihdha, Khalid Al-Midher

Synopsis: To request Los Angeles check registration records for Khalid M. Al-Mihdhar and associate Nawaf Al-Hazmi for all Los Angeles area Sheraton Hotels between January 15, 2000 and June 10, 2000. Additionally, check United Airlines and Lufthansa Airlines records for any payment or pedigree information provided.

Reference:

Administrative: The following conta

The following contains information

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by agents working Usama Bin Laden criminal matters. Prior approval from FBIHQ must be obtained before forwarding this information to any agent working Usama Bin Laden criminal cases.

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Enclosures: Copy of Serial 1 EC dated 08/28/2001.

Details: According to INS, Khalid M. Al-Mihdhar had previously traveled to the United States on January 15, 2000 with an associate identified as Nawaf Al-Hazmi. Al-Mihdhar and Al-Hazmi arrived in the United States via United Airlines flight number 00002 from Bangkok, Thailand. Both carried B2 visas. Al-Mihdhar and Al-Hazmi stayed at the Sheraton Hotel (NFI), in Los Angeles, CA. On that occassion, Al-Mihdhar remained in the United States until June 10, 2000, when he departed via Lufthansa Airlines flight 457. The date of Al-Hazmi's departure is unknown at this time.

In late 1999 the CIA was monitoring potential operational planning by an Islamic extremist identified only as Khalid LNU. As part of their analysis, CIA obtained information from NSA that in late 1999, a suspected Islamic extremist known as Khalid (CIA identified this "Khalid" as Khalid al-Midhar) was planning to travel to Malaysia with an associate, identified only as Nawaf. Al-Midhar was associated with a suspected terrorist facility in the Middle East used by individuals involved in the attacks against the East Africa Embassies and USS Cole.

The similarity in the names identifiable with the individuals who traveled to the United States in January, 2000. (See referenced EC for further background)



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New York requests Los Angeles check registration records for all Sheraton Hotels located in the Los Angeles, -CA metropolitan area under the names Khalid M. Al-Mihdhar, Al-Mihdhar's aliases and Nawaf Al-Hazmi.

Check United Airlines and Lufthansa Airlines records for travel by Khalid M. Al-Mihdhar, Al-Mihdhar's aliases and Nawaf Al-Hazmi.

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