EXHIBIT “A”
To: Counterterrorism From: Atlanta
Re: 199B-AT-95116
12/20/2002

[Redacted]

YASSIN MUHIDDIN AREF, aka Yasin Al-Barazengy, Mohammed Yasin, Yasen Aref; IT-UBL/AL QAEDA

Synopsis: To notify FBIHQ of numerous Atlanta based Iraqi's with possible Al Qaeda connections.

Reference: Derived From: G-3

Administrative: Declassify On: X

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Details: On 12/10/2002, SA telephonically contacted writer. Advised that he has a
investigation on an Iraqi Imam (YASSIN MUHIDDIN AREF, aka YASIN
AL-BARAZENGY, MOHAMMED YASIN, YASIN AREF; 199E-AL-45507) with
alleged connections to Al Qaeda.

The investigation of AREF was initiated based upon information from an

Analysis of this information revealed that

Writer advised that

Writer advised that his subject is

most likely

Writer advised that case subject probably

from
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Re: 12/20/2002

Investigation by New York has determined that [redacted] has paid [redacted] salary while [redacted] has been living in [redacted].

A 2001 Haines check was negative for this number. Investigation by Atlanta has determined that 09/11/2001 hijackers MOHAMED ATTA and MARWAN AL-SHEHHI were registered at the Suburban Lodge, Norcross, Georgia, under the aliases MOHAMED EL SAYED and MARWAN LEKRAB from 01/25/2001 until 02/01/2001.
To: General Counsel
Counterterrorism

☑ Atlanta

From: Albany
Squad 03
Contact: SA

Approved By: 

Drafted By: jlr

Case ID #: (S) 199N-AL-45507-PENA (Pending) - UD
(S) 66F-AL-C45399 (Pending) - "
(S) 199E-AT-95118 (Pending) - I7
(S) 199E-AT-95119 (Pending) - I7
(S) 199E-AT-95120 (Pending) - I7
(S) 199E-AT-95121 (Pending)
(S) 199E-AT-95123 (Pending)
(S) 199E-AT-95124 (Pending)
(S) 66F-HQ-C1303375 (Pending)

(U) Title: YASSIN MUHIDDIN AREF, aka
Yasin Al-Barazengy, Mohammed Yasin,
Yasen Aref;
IT - UBL/AL-QAEDA;
OO: ALEBANY
(199N-AL-45507-PENA)

(U) OO: ATLANTA
To: Counterterrorism
From: Atlanta

Reference:

Details: [X] For information of FBIHQ/Counterterrorism Division and Mobile Division, Atlanta Division has already opened investigations on [ ] and [ ]. These matters are being worked in concert with Albany Division's case titled "YASSIN MUHIDDIN AREF, aka Yasin Al-Barzengy, Mohammed Yasin, Yasen Aref; IT-UBL/AL-QAEDA;", 1994-AL-45507.

[X] Any further asset information reference these can be forwarded to SA [ ] (re: [ ]) or [ ] (re: [ ]) of the Atlanta Division.
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(U) Details: (X) In December, 2002, the Atlanta Division was contacted by the Albany Division, regarding YASSIN MUHIDDIN AREF, subject of 199E-AL-44507. Albany advised that AREF, an Iraqi IMAM, has alleged connections to Al Qaeda. Albany provided Atlanta with the following information regarding AREF:

(U) (ORCON/NF) The investigation of AREF was initiated based upon information from an

(S) Referral/Consult

(S) Atlanta advised Albany that

(S) Atlanta advised

Albany that AREF was most likely

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To: Counterterrorism  From: Atlanta
Re: 199N-AT-95118, 02/28/2003

Atlanta advised Albany that

Atlanta advised Albany that AREF was most likely

possibly

from

AREF to

Atlanta advised that AREF

Atlanta informed Albany that

A lead had been set by Atlanta to Los Angeles
to initiate a

on

several months ago.

Atlanta was contacted by SA Los Angeles Division,
regarding

inquired if

was

Atlanta advised that

but requested contact FBIHQ SSA

before taking any action. Atlanta informed that