A statement by Anthony C Heaford regarding al Qaeda in Yemen 1997, detailing references to attacking the WTC with hijacked civilian airliners

In September 1997 I visited a company called YemPak in Taiz, Yemen to install a printing machine. I now believe this was an al Qaeda front company housing mainly low-level foreign nationals.

During the installation I spoke with the Pakistani machine operators about a potential attack on the US I had perceived early that year when travelling there. I speculated that the same group that bombed the WTC in 1993 would hijack a civilian airliner and use it as a 'missile' to attack the WTC. The factory manager confirmed this conversation with me before he told me a man not connected to YemPak would meet me at my hotel that evening for a dinner appointment.

I had dinner with said gentleman and again we discussed extensively my speculation of the previously mentioned attack against the WTC. The attached photo shows this dinner meeting – four different face recognition programs identify my dinner partner as Ramzi bin al-Shibh, also known as the '20th hijacker'.

During my last morning in Yemen, in a final visit to the factory I now believe I was introduced to Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and again this meeting is shown in the attached photos. I then departed Taiz for my return flight from Sana'a airport in a YemPak company vehicle with a company (middle management) driver.

Shortly after leaving the city of Taiz the driver said he was taking me to a meeting before turning off the main road and taking me to a secluded gorge with a few non descript buildings within an orchard. I had expressed concern about missing my flight but was told, "The plane will wait for you".

I was shown in to a large empty room with a long table and benches and told to wait. After about ten minutes, approximately 10 men entered the room without speaking and joined me at the table. Food was served and we began to eat. After only a couple of minutes the head of the table stood up, followed by everyone else and they left with the meal uneaten and without having said a word.

I believe the meeting was intended to recruit me to al Qaeda, prompted by my previous conversations. I also believe the meeting was cut short due to my failure to observe Islamic customs of washing and praying before eating.

Signed: Date:

Anthony C Heaford

Attached:

1 page summary of YemPak facts and suggestive evidence 2 photographs, as described above

Confirmation of receipt I, GMHAM BRAM have received a document with attachments from my constituent Mr. Anthony C Heaford. The title of this document is: "A statement by Anthony C Heaford regarding al Qaeda in Yemen 1997, detailing references to attacking the WTC with hijacked civilian airliners" Mr Heaford has requested that I pass this information to both the appropriate security services and the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament. Signed: Date: 264 Mach 2017.

PBS report: How Al Qaeda Grew in Yemen

May 2012

Quoting Barbara Bodine, U.S. ambassador to Yemen 1997 - 2001

"When I got there in 1997, there was already an Al Qaeda presence. We knew about it. The Yemenis knew about it. Everyone knew about it.

Numbers [are] always impossible to know, but these people were primarily foreign nationals. One of the best ways to describe the presence is that they were largely warehousing lower-level people in peripheral areas."

My 6-day visit to Taiz, Yemen - September 1997

I was a lone service technician installing printing machinery at a company called 'YemPak' - I believe this was an AQ front company warehousing dozens of low level Pakistani nationals – the machine operators I trained were Pakistani and all of the uniformed security guards also were. I was told 'YemPak' was short for Yemen/Pakistan. The large new factory building was empty and located inside a secure, defensive compound. Location: 13°35'17.7"N 44°02'00.0"E

I also believe I met KSM there – he was introduced as 'the Engineer' (we didn't speak), and separately I had dinner with a man that four different face recognition programs say is Ramzi bin al-Shibh - the '20th hijacker'. He introduced himself as Youssef – I think they maybe related.

I can also link YemPak to the HSA group, via the purchase agent Longulf Trading, London - a subsidiary of HSA. HSA is linked to MIGA via a common director - Hayel Saeed Abdul Rahman, who was a charter member in 1984 of a business chamber founded in Lugano, Switzerland, by members of the Muslim Brotherhood - the Malaysian, Swiss Gulf, and African Chamber, or MIGA. Shortly after the September 11, 2001, attacks on America, MIGA was named by the United Nations as a terrorist-financing outfit, and added to the U.N. watch-list of entities belonging to or affiliated with Al Qaeda. MIGA was cleared without further charge or explanation in 2007.







I have a LOT more information from my visit – an unscheduled detour and meeting on the road journey to Sana'a and some very specific conversations. I have already shared this information widely, since April 2015 when I found the photos I had thought lost. I then researched further and discovered the corroborating reports. I've had no response from security services, press.... anyone. I remain convinced.