

# United States District Court Eastern District of Michigan

United States of America  
V.  
ISSAM GEORGE HAMAMA

## JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

Case Number: 08CR20314-1  
USM Number: 11322-036

Haytham Faraj  
Defendant's Attorney

### THE DEFENDANT:

■ Was found guilty on count(s) **2,3 & 4 of the Superseding Indictment** after a plea of not guilty.

The defendant is adjudicated guilty of these offenses:

Title & Section	Nature of Offense	Offense Ended	Count
18 U.S.C. 1001(a)(2)	False Statements	6/4/2008	2,3 & 4 SSInd.

The defendant is sentenced as provided in pages **2 through 5** of this judgment. This sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984

It is ordered that the defendant must notify the United States attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant must notify the court and United States attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.

August 18, 2011  
Date of Imposition of Judgment



s/Nancy G Edmunds  
United States District Judge

August 26, 2011  
Date Signed

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## IMPRISONMENT

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of: **As to Counts 2, 3 and 4 for a term of 18 months concurrent to each count. The Court took into consideration the Sentencing Guidelines and Factors contained in 18 U.S.C. 3553(a).**

The court makes the following recommendations to the Bureau of Prisons: **The Court recommends that the defendant be designated to a facility near the San Diego, California area in order to be close to his family.**

The defendant shall surrender for service of sentence at the institution designated by the Bureau of Prison: **as notified by the United States Marshal.**

## RETURN

I have executed this judgment as follows:

Defendant delivered on \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ a  
\_\_\_\_\_, with a certified copy of this judgment.

\_\_\_\_\_  
United States Marshal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy United States Marshal

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### **SUPERVISED RELEASE**

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be on supervised release for a term of: **2 years.**

The defendant must report to the probation office in the district to which the defendant is released within 72 hours of release from the custody of the Bureau of Prisons.

The defendant shall not commit another federal, state or local crime.

If the defendant is convicted of a felony offense, DNA collection is required by Public Law 108-405.

The defendant shall not unlawfully possess a controlled substance. The defendant shall refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. The defendant shall submit to one drug test within 15 days of release from imprisonment and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter, as determined by the court. Revocation of supervised release is mandatory for possession of a controlled substance.

■ The above drug testing condition is suspended, based on the court's determination that the defendant poses a low risk of future substance abuse.

If this judgment imposes a fine or restitution, it is a condition of supervised release that the defendant pay in accordance with the Schedule of Payments sheet of this judgment.

The defendant must comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court as well as with any additional conditions on the attached page.

### **STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION**

- 1) the defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the permission of the court or probation officer;
- 2) the defendant shall report to the probation officer and shall submit a truthful and complete written report within the first five days of each month;
- 3) the defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer;
- 4) the defendant shall support his or her dependents and meet other family responsibilities;
- 5) the defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation, unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training, or other acceptable reasons;
- 6) the defendant shall notify the probation officer at least ten days prior to any change in residence or employment;
- 7) the defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not purchase, possess, use, distribute, or administer any controlled substance or any paraphernalia related to any controlled substances, except as prescribed by a physician;
- 8) the defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed, or administered;
- 9) the defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony, unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer;
- 10) the defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view of the probation officer;
- 11) the defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer;
- 12) the defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the court;
- 13) as directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to confirm the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement; and
- 14) the defendant shall not possess a firearm, ammunition, destructive device, or any other dangerous weapon. Revocation of supervised release is mandatory for possession of a firearm.

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CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES

	Assessment	Fine	Restitution
TOTALS:	\$ 300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

If the defendant makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximately proportioned payment, unless specified otherwise in the priority order or percentage payment column below. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(i), all nonfederal victims must be paid before the United States is paid.

Name of Payee	Total Loss*	Restitution Ordered	Priority or Percentage
TOTALS:	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	

\* Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.

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### **SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

Having assessed the defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties are due as follows:

[A] Lump sum payment of **\$300.00** due immediately.

Unless the court has expressly ordered otherwise in the special instructions above, while in custody, the defendant shall participate in the Inmate Financial Responsibility Program. The Court is aware of the requirements of the program and approves of the payment schedule of this program and hereby orders the defendant's compliance. All criminal monetary penalty payments are to be made to the Clerk of the Court, except those payments made through the Bureau of Prison's Inmate Financial Responsibility Program.

The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) fine principal, (5) fine interest, (6) community restitution, (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.

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**STATEMENT OF REASONS**  
**(Not for Public Disclosure)**

**I COURT FINDINGS ON PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION REPORT**

- A ☐ The court adopts the presentence investigation report without change.
- B ☒ The court adopts the presentence investigation report with the following changes:  
(Check all that apply and specify court determination, findings, or comments, referencing paragraph numbers in the presentence report, if applicable.)
- 1 ☒ **Chapter Two of the U.S.S.G. Manual** determinations by court (including changes to base offense level, or specific offense characteristics): **The Court finds that the cross reference does not apply and that the Base Offense Level is 6 pursuant to 2B1.1(a)(2)**
- 2 ☒ **Chapter Three of the U.S.S.G. Manual** determinations by court (including changes to victim-related adjustments, role in the offense, obstruction of justice, multiple counts, or acceptance of responsibility): **The Court agrees that the Obstruction of Justice 2 level increase applies.**
- 3 ☐ **Chapter Four of the U.S.S.G. Manual** determinations by court (including changes to criminal history category or scores, career offender, or criminal livelihood determinations):
- 4 ☐ **Additional Comments or Findings** (including comments or factual findings concerning certain information in the presentence report that the Federal Bureau of Prisons may rely on when it makes inmate classification, designation, or programming decisions):
- C ☐ The record establishes no need for a presentence investigation report pursuant to Fed.R.Crim.P.32.

**II COURT FINDING ON MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCE. (Check all that apply.)**

- A ☒ No count of conviction carries a mandatory minimum sentence.
- B ☐ Mandatory minimum sentence imposed..
- C ☐ One or more counts of conviction alleged in the indictment carry a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment, but the sentence imposed is below a mandatory minimum term because the court has determined that the mandatory minimum does not apply based on.
- ☐ findings of fact in this case
- ☐ substantial assistance (18 U.S.C. §3553(e))
- ☐ the statutory safety valve (18 U.S.C. §3553(f))

**III COURT DETERMINATION OF ADVISORY GUIDELINE RANGE (BEFORE DEPARTURES):**

Total Offense Level: **8**

Criminal History Category: **I**

Imprisonment Range: **0** to **6** months

Supervised Release Range: **2** to **3** years

Fine Range: **\$1,000.00** to **\$10,000.00**

☒ Fine waived or below the guideline range because of inability to pay.

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**IV ADVISORY GUIDELINE SENTENCING DETERMINATION.** (Check only one.)

- A ☐ The sentence is within an advisory guideline range that is not greater than 24 months, and the court finds no reason to depart.
- B ☐ The sentence is within an advisory guideline range that is greater than 24 months, and the specific sentence is imposed for these reasons:
- C ☐ The court departs from the advisory guideline range for reasons authorized by the sentencing guidelines manual. (Also complete Section V.)
- D ☒ The court imposed a sentence outside the advisory sentencing guideline system. (Also complete Section VI.)

**V DEPARTURES AUTHORIZED BY THE ADVISORY SENTENCING GUIDELINES** (If applicable.)

**A The sentence imposed departs** (Check only one):

- ☐ below the advisory guideline range.
- ☐ above the advisory guideline range.

**B Departure based on** (Check only one):

1 **Plea Agreement.** (Check all that apply and check reason(s) below):

- ☐ 5K1.1 plea agreement based on the defendant's substantial assistance
- ☐ 5K3.1 plea agreement based on Early Disposition or "Fast-track" Program
- ☐ binding plea agreement for departure accepted by the court
- ☐ plea agreement for departure, which the court finds to be reasonable
- ☐ plea agreement that states that the government will not oppose a defense departure motion

2 **Motion Not Addressed in a Plea Agreement.** (Check all that apply and check reason(s) below):

- ☐ 5K1.1 government motion based on the defendant's substantial assistance
- ☐ 5K3.1 government motion based on Early Disposition or "Fast-track" program
- ☐ government motion for departure
- ☐ defense motion for departure to which the government did not object
- ☐ defense motion for departure to which the government objected

3 **Other:**

- ☐ Other than a plea agreement or motion by the parties for departure (Check reasons(s) below.):

**C Reason(s) for Departure** (Check all that apply other than 5K1.1 or 5K3.1.):

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4A1.3 Criminal History Inadequacy                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.1 Death                             | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.11 Lesser Harm                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.1 Age  | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.2 Physical Injury                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.12 Coercion and Duress                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.2 Education and Vocational Skills                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.3 Extreme Psychological Injury      | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.13 Diminished Capacity                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.3 Mental and Emotional Condition                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.4 Abduction or Unlawful Restraint   | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.14 Public Welfare                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.4 Physical Condition                               | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.5 Property Damage or Loss           | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.16 Voluntary Disclosure of Offense     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.5 Employment Record                                | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.6 Weapon or Dangerous Weapon        | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.17 High-Capacity, Semiautomatic Weapon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.6 Family Ties and Responsibilities                 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.7 Disruption of Government Function | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.18 Violent Street Gang                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.11 Military Record, Charitable Service, Good Works | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.8 Extreme Conduct                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.20 Aberrant Behavior                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.0 Aggravating or Mitigating Circumstances          | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.9 Criminal Purpose                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.21 Dismissed and Uncharged Conduct     |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.10 Victim's Conduct                 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.22 Age or Health of Sex Offenders      |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.23 Discharged Terms of Imprisonment    |
- ☐ Other guideline basis(e.g. 2B1.1 commentary):

**D Explain the facts justifying the departure.** (Use page 4 if necessary):

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**VI COURT DETERMINATION FOR SENTENCE OUTSIDE THE ADVISORY GUIDELINE SYSTEM**

(Check all that apply.)

**A The sentence imposed is** (Check only one.):

- ☐ below the advisory guideline range.  
☒ above the advisory guideline range.

**B Sentence imposed pursuant to** (Check Check all that apply.):

**1 Plea Agreement** (Check all that apply and check reason(s) below.):

- ☐ binding plea agreement for a sentence outside the advisory guideline system accepted by the court.  
☐ plea agreement for a sentence outside the advisory guideline system, which the court finds to be reasonable.  
☐ plea agreement that states that the government will not oppose a defense motion to the court to sentence outside the advisory guideline.

**2 Motion Not Addressed in a Plea Agreement** (Check all that apply and check reason(s) below.):

- ☐ government motion for a sentence outside of the advisory guideline system  
☐ defense motion for a sentence outside of the advisory guideline system to which the government did not object.  
☐ defense motion for a sentence outside of the advisory guideline system to which the government objected

**3 Other**

- ☒ Other than a plea agreement or motion by the parties for a sentence outside of the advisory guidelines system (Check reason(s) below.):

**C Reason(s) for Sentence Outside the Advisory Guideline System** (Check Check all that apply.):

- ☒ the nature and circumstances of the offense and the history and characteristics of the defendant pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(1)  
☒ to reflect the seriousness of the offense, to promote respect for the law, and to provide just punishment for the offense (18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(2)(A))  
☒ to afford adequate deterrence to criminal conduct (18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(2)(B))  
☐ to protect the public from further crimes of the defendant (18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(2)(C))  
☐ to provide the defendant with needed educational or vocational training, medical care, or other correctional treatment in the most effective manner (18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(2)(D))  
☒ to avoid unwarranted sentencing disparities among defendants (18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(6))  
☐ to provide restitution to any victims of the offense (18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(7))

**D Explain the facts justifying a sentence outside the advisory guideline system.**

The jury's acquittal of defendant on the charges of conspiracy and conducting business in Iraq make the cross reference urged by the government inappropriate. Despite the finding that the cross reference does not apply in this case, the Court finds that an upward variance is warranted under 18 USC 3553(a) because of the jury's verdict that the defendant made false statements concerning his association with the Iraqi Intelligence Service. That verdict makes the offense more serious than an ordinary conviction for making false statements.



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**VII COURT DETERMINATION OF RESTITUTION**

- A** ☒ Restitution Not Applicable.
- B** Total Amount of Restitution: \$0.00
- C** Restitution not ordered (Check only one):
- 1 ☐ For offenses for which restitution is otherwise mandatory under 18 U.S.C. §3663A, restitution is not ordered because the number of identifiable victims is so large as to make restitution impracticable under 18 U.S.C. §3663A(c)(3)(A).
  - 2 ☐ For offenses for which restitution is otherwise mandatory under 18 U.S.C. §3663A, restitution is not ordered because determining complex issues of fact and relating them to the cause or amount of the victims' losses would complicate or prolong the sentencing process to a degree that the need to provide restitution to any victim would be outweighed by the burden on the sentencing process under 18 U.S.C. §3663A(c)(3)(B).
  - 3 ☐ For other offenses for which restitution is authorized under 18 U.S.C. §3663 and/or required by the sentencing guidelines, restitution is not ordered because the complication and prolongation of the sentencing process resulting from the fashioning of a restitution order outweigh the need to provide restitution to any victims under 18 U.S.C. §3663(a)(1)(B)(ii).
  - 4 ☐ Restitution is not ordered for other reasons. (Explain.)
- D** ☐ Partial restitution is order under 18 U.S.C. §3553(c) for these reasons:

**VIII ADDITIONAL FACTS JUSTIFYING THE SENTENCE IN THIS CASE (If applicable)**

August 18, 2011

Date of Imposition of Judgment

Defendant's Soc.Sec.No.: **384-86-6352**

Defendant's Date of Birth: **October 16, 1950**

Defendant's Residence Address: **1571 Elizabeth Lane, El Cajon, California 92019-3478**



s/Nancy G Edmunds

United States District Judge

August 26, 2011

Date Signed

Defendant's Mailing Address: **Same as residence.**