## Affidavit

I, J.P. Butsch, do swear under penalty of perjury:

## With regard to specific questions that were posed by the Omar Ameen defense on November 13, 2019

22. At paragraph 18, is 2019 the correct year? If not, what is the correct year?

2018 is the correct year; 2019 was a typographic mistake.

23. Does the FBI have notes or written statements of the interview/court observation on April 15, 2018 discussed at paragraphs 22-35?

Yes, the FBI has an electronic communication ("EC") summarizing the observation.

In addition, it has come to my attention that there are some questions regarding how many documents Person number 5 signed in my presence, to include the signatures detailing the photographic identification procedure. Therefore, I would like to provide the court with additional detail regarding my observations at that time. As I stated in my original affidavit, I witnessed the entirety of Person number 5's statement, as well as the photograph identification procedure and the signing of the documents. In addition to what is described in my original affidavit, I offer the below details for the court's consideration:

Judge Dhiya allowed Person number 5 to tell the story of what he saw, interjecting occasionally with more pointed, clarifying questions, and he gave direction to the investigator writing up the summary of the statement. This happened several times as the witness gave his statement. Person number 5 was then dismissed to wait in another room and the summarization of the statement was prepared. I remember Person number 5 being called back in one time to clarify something as the report was finalized and then dismissed again. Then the investigator exited to finish and print the statement and to compose the photo array. Person number 5 was called back in, shown the array, and identified Omar Ameen with certainty. I recall the last step was his signing and placing his thumbprint on multiple pages that were contained within his statement.

24. At paragraph 36, who informed the FBI that Witnesses A and B were going to be travelling to the Al Karkh court to testify?

Judge Dhiya and/or the INSS informed me that Witnesses A and B were going to be travelling to the Al Karkh court to testify.

25. At paragraph 40, who communicated to SA Butsch "several times that completing a successful extradition with the United States Government was of the utmost significance to the Iraqi Higher Judicial Council as it would signify that their system of justice was respectable and trustworthy and it would demonstrate they are capable of engaging in cooperative diplomatic exchanges with the west"?

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On several occasions, both Judge Dhiya and the President of the High Judicial Council, Faiq Zaidan, communicated to me the importance of a successful extradition request, for the reasons set forth in the affidavit. This same general message was also communicated to me by the INSS.

For the court's understanding, the honorable Faiq Zaidan is the President of the High Judicial Council and the Chief Justice of the Court of Cassation, which is the highest judicial body in the country of Iraq. He maintained direct oversight of Judge Dhiya's investigation and approved the submission of all of the documents contained within the Government of Iraq's extradition packet.

26. At paragraph 41, which "Iraqi authorities" told SA Butsch they had spoken to another corroborating witness (referred to as Person 1)?

Members of the INSS communicated to me that they had spoken to Person 1.

I certify that the foregoing is true and accurate to the best of my recollection.

J.P. Butsch

25 NOVEMBER 2019

Date

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Location