

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
ALEXANDRIA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	
	)	
v.	)	Criminal No. 01-455-A
	)	
ZACARIAS MOUSSAOUI	)	
a/k/a "Shaqil,"	)	
a/k/a "Abu Khalid	)	
al Sahrawi,"	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

ORDER

The defendant, pro se, has filed two motions docketed as #s 369 and 446 in which he requests access to a web site set up by standby defense counsel which would enable him to review standby counsel's work product and search the "entire field of CD ROMS" produced as discovery in this case. Standby counsel have made a similar motion (Docket #396) endorsing this proposal and offering to provide the defendant with instructions as to how the system works and the necessary password if the Court authorizes access.

Although the United States has no objection to the defendant having access to standby counsel's work product and the unclassified discovery, it is concerned that the defendant not have access to the Internet or other means of contacting third parties in violation of the Special Administrative Measures governing the conditions of his confinement. As an alternative to the defendant's request, the United States suggests that standby counsel copy the contents of their site and install it on the defendant's computer at the Alexandria City Adult Detention

Center.

The United States' proposal is impractical and defeats the purpose of the secure site, which is designed to be interactive and dynamic. The volume of discovery in this case combined with the unique conditions of the defendant's confinement make it extremely difficult for him to search the discovery in an orderly fashion. Moreover, the discovery production is ongoing. Access to the site will enable the defendant to make use of standby counsel's work product and sort through the mountains of discovery in a more efficient manner. For these reasons, the defendant's and standby counsel's motions docketed as #s 369, 396 and 446 are GRANTED; and it is hereby

ORDERED that standby counsel coordinate with the Administrative Office of the United States Courts ("AO"), the United States Marshals Service and officials at the Alexandria City Adult Detention Center to arrange for the defendant to have access to a fully secured stand alone web site with a virtual private network connection or dedicated line installed so as to make it impossible for the defendant to access the Internet or any site other than the one set up by standby defense counsel;<sup>1</sup> and it is further

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<sup>1</sup>This Order renders MOOT the defendant's pro se Motion to Get a Bigger Cave (Docket #434) because the defendant will not need all of the boxes of discovery which have created the overcrowding of his cell area.

ORDERED that this web site access not be made operational until the Court has received written confirmation by the appropriate AO technical staff that the site is fully secure as described in this Order.

The Clerk is directed to forward copies of this Order to the defendant, pro se; counsel for the United States; standby defense counsel; and the United States Marshal.

Entered this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002.

/s/

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Leonie M. Brinkema  
United States District Judge

Alexandria, Virginia