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Date: 1 November 2002

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SUBJECT: Detention of Islamists at Gatwick Airport

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1. Three individuals associated with the prominent spiritual cleric Omar OTHMAN@ Abu QATADA were detained by members of the Anti-Terrorist branch at Gatwick airport on the 1 November 2002 under the Terrorism Act 2000. A search of their baggage revealed some form of home-made electronic device. Preliminary inquiries including X-ray suggest that it may be a timing device or could possibly be used as some part of a car-based IED. All three individuals were due to fly to Banjul, Gambia. At this time, this is for your information only. We intend to do further analysis of the recovered items and will revert in due course.

2. The three individuals were Bishr AL RAWI (23/12/67), an Iraqi Islamic extremist who is a member of Abu QATADA's close circle of associates, Abu ANAS@ Jamil Abdulatif Iylayan EL-BANNA@ Mohammed AL-QURAYSHI (28/5/62), formerly assessed to be Abu QATADA's financier and Abdallah ELJANOUDI (18/9/62) [REDACTED] ELJANOUDI [REDACTED] has been based in the UK for twelve years and was travelling on a UK passport. Secret and reliable intelligence indicated that these individuals were travelling to Gambia to invest in a peanut oil factory.

3. Kind regards.

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