

**Periodic Review Board:
Subsequent Full Review Hearing, ISN 63 Mohammad Mani Ahmad Al Qahtani**

Hearing Summary:

Five observers viewed the 18 May 2021 Periodic Review Board (PRB) subsequent full review hearing for ISN 63 Mohammad Mani Ahmad Al Qahtani, representing:

- Indiana University
- Judicial Watch, Inc.
- Associated Press
- The *Intercept*
- ARD (German news media)

The government described ISN 63 as the intended 20th hijacker for the 9/11 plot that sent airplanes to destroy buildings in New York and Washington D.C. While trying to enter the U.S. pursuant to that scheme, he was denied entry and later was captured attempting to cross from Afghanistan into Pakistan in a group that included Osama Bin Laden's bodyguards. Prior to his capture, the detainee had traveled from Saudi Arabia to Afghanistan in September of 2000 specifically to join Al Qa'eda in jihad.

The personal representative stated that he had recently been assigned to ISN 63 in April of 2021 and would continue attempting to guide the detainee through the PRB process.

No private counsel statement was referenced or presented.

Observations:

The video feed from GTMO was not functioning, so only audio observation was available. According to statements made by the case administrator, ISN 63 did not attend the hearing.

Given that a large part of the prior argument for ISN 63's repatriation to Saudi Arabia hinged upon his diagnosis as schizophrenic, the detainee's decision not to attend the PRB may carry less weight than current records of his medical status and levels of cooperation. However, it would be unreasonable to base any determination of his risk of recidivism on publicly available records from the detainee's hearings in 2018 and before. If Saudi Arabia remains intent to receive and treat ISN 63, it would likely have to provide significant assurances the detainee would be contained before the Board could reasonably consider the detainee not to be a continuing threat if repatriated.