

**Periodic Review Board:
Subsequent Full Review, ISN 685 Said bin Brahim bin Umran Bakush**

Hearing Summary:

On January 11, 2022, the Periodic Review Board commenced a subsequent full review hearing for Said bin Brahim bin Umran Bakush (ISN 685).

This hearing summary is based on the documents posted to <https://www.prs.mil/Review-Information/Subsequent-Full-Review/>, as Judicial Watch did not have a representative at the hearing.

Said bin Brahim bin Umran (Bakush) elected not to attend his hearing, and his private counsel was not in attendance at either the Board location or at GTMO. The detainee's personal representative attended via teleconference from GTMO.

The government designated Bakush a trusted associate of Abu Zubaydah (ISN 10016) and Al Qa'eda instructor, Ibn al Sheikh al Libi (ISN 212). As an associate of Libi, Bakush likely attended basic and advanced training in Afghanistan and became a trainer himself. He was captured in a safe house in Pakistan with Zubaydah, in the company of people who were training to attack the U.S.

The personal representative had a brief meeting with Bakush in October 2021 and noted the detainee's stated intent to decline participation in the PRB process. The personal representative explained this as partly due to Bakush's pride, which prevented him from expressing his inability to understand translated conversations. The detainee's plans upon release from GTMO include purchasing a truck and providing delivery services. The personal representative stated that this plan would probably be successful given the pledged assistance of the *habeas corpus* private counsel, the Life After GTMO program, and the expected assistance of the detainee's family.

Observations:

The detainee's plan to provide delivery services using a truck as his means of post-GTMO employment is adaptable to providing support for extremist activities, in that he could use his truck to transport personnel, funds, materiel, and communications illegally. Given Bakush's refusal to attend hearings and his questionable plans if released, the Board is unlikely to authorize his transfer and will likely assess him to be a continuing threat.