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To Whom It May Concern,

The attached document was received from the National Intelligence Security Service (NISS) in Khartoum, Sudan. The document details how NISS will monitor Sudanese citizens who are released from Guantanamo Bay and returned to Sudan.

Sincerely,

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The Sudanese National Intelligence and Security Service (NISS) has developed a standard process for individuals repatriated to Sudan from abroad through extradition or other means. Coordinating with the country of departure, NISS meets the individual at the airport and takes them into their custody upon arrival. They are then taken to a secure NISS facility where they undergo a psychological evaluation, medical evaluation, and interviews are conducted based on the crimes they were arrested for in the country they had come from.

If the individual is determined to need psychological or medical treatment, NISS arranges for that care at an appropriate facility and works closely with the professionals there to ensure that the care is carried out and that the individual is secure for the duration of the treatment. Sudan has facilities suited for short and long term forensic psychological treatment as well as short and long term secure medical treatment.

If the interviews reveal that the individual hold to extremist ideology, he is place in an established rehabilitation program administered by NISS. This program is very similar to the program utilized by a number of other Middle Eastern countries and incorporates education, job skills training, marriage counseling (matchmaking), and de-radicalization counseling conducted by well respected imams and Islamic scholars. NISS also incorporates the individual's family in this process and has found that participation by parents and siblings has a very strong impact on the rehabilitation of the individual.

Once and individual has successfully completed the rehabilitation program and NISS determines that they no longer adhere to a radical ideology, they are released and closely monitored. NISS places them in a job and directs them to worship at an approved, moderate mosque. NISS assigns a surveillance team to monitor the individual and also uses informants at the individual's job and mosque to evaluate whether the individual is truly rehabilitated. NISS conducts regular interviews with the individual and their family members to ensure that the individual stays on the right path. The individual may request further meetings with the scholars, imams, and psychologists if they feel it necessary and NISS makes arrangements for these meetings for the individual. The NISS also monitors the individual's phone and email. If the individual makes contact with a known radical, is seen reading radical literature or makes radical statements NISS arrests them and the rehabilitation process begins all over again.

Recently, NISS evaluated that their rehabilitation program is 85% effective. A standing committee of senior NISS officers monitors the program and evaluates the procedures on a regular basis. NISS officers involved in the program are very committed to it and seek advanced degrees in psychology and corrections. NISS works with a number of liaison partners to exchange ideas to enhance and improve the program.