

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

Before the Court is Defendant's Motion to Amend Briefing Schedule as to Government's Notice of Intent to Seek a Sentence of Death. In particular, defense counsel request the opportunity to file a reply to the Government's expected opposition to Defendant's Motion to Strike Government's Notice of Intent to Seek a Sentence of Death ("Defendant's Motion to Strike").

Although we do not find that the Government's Notice of Intent is analogous to a charging document and that defendant's Motion to Strike is equivalent to a Motion to Dismiss, because the filing of a reply brief will not delay the hearing date, the Defendant's Motion to Amend Briefing Schedule is GRANTED; and it is hereby

ORDERED that the defendant may file a reply, limited to a

maximum of ten pages, by noon on Tuesday, May 14, 2002.

The Clerk is directed to forward copies of this Order to the defendant, counsel of record, and the Court Security Officer.

Entered this 26th day of April, 2002.

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Leonie M. Brinkema  
United States District Judge

Alexandria, Virginia