

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

On Thursday, October 31, 2002, the pro se defendant filed a motion (Docket #653), which we conclude should not be forwarded to the prosecution because it concerns an apparent conflict between the defendant and standby defense counsel. Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED that the Clerk file pleading #653 ex parte and under seal; and it is further

ORDERED that any response by standby defense counsel be filed ex parte and under seal.

The Clerk is directed to forward copies of this Order to the defendant, pro se; counsel for the United States; and standby defense counsel.

Entered this 31st day of October, 2002.

/s/

Leonie M. Brinkema
United States District Judge

Alexandria, Virginia