

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

The Court is in receipt of a communication from Mr. Moussaoui dated May 5, 2003, which he requests be maintained ex parte and "ex standby." Because the communication concerns the defendant's relationship with his standby defense counsel and does not concern substantive matters relating to this prosecution, the Government does not have a right to a copy. However, standby counsel do need to see it. Accordingly, his request is GRANTED in part and DENIED in part; and it is hereby

ORDERED that the Clerk maintain this communication ex parte, but forward a copy to standby defense counsel.

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

Entered this 6th day of May, 2003.

/s/

Leonie M. Brinkema
United States District Judge

Alexandria, Virginia