

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

FAWZI KHALED A.F. AL ODAH, *et al.*,

Petitioners,

v.

UNITED STATES, *et al.*,

Respondents.

Civil Action No. 02-828 (CKK)

**ORDER REGARDING MERITS HEARING PROCEDURES**  
(June 22, 2009)

Upon consideration of the parties' Proposed Procedures for Petitioners' Merits Hearings filed on June 19, 2009, it is, this 22nd day of June, 2009, hereby

**ORDERED** that the Court shall adopt the parties' proposal for opening statements. Accordingly, the parties shall begin with unclassified opening statements, with Respondents presenting their unclassified opening statement first. The parties shall then present classified opening statements, with Respondents presenting their classified opening statement first. Petitioner shall be responsible for translators and Respondents shall be responsible for all other logistical arrangements necessary so that Petitioner may listen to the unclassified opening statements;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Court shall adopt the parties' proposal for closing statements. Accordingly, the parties shall present their closing statements in closed court. Respondents shall present their closing argument first, followed by Petitioner. Respondents shall be allowed to make a rebuttal closing argument;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the parties shall confer with respect to the contested

