- 1 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure. Would it be helpful to take a
- 2 short recess?
- 3 DC [MR. NEVIN]: Yes, Your Honor.
- 4 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Commission will be in recess for
- 5 15 minutes.
- 6 [The Military Commission recessed at 1402, 28 January 2013.]
- 7 [The Military Commission was called to order at 1426, 28
- 8 January 2013.]
- 9 MJ [COL POHL]: Commission is called to order. All
- 10 parties again are present that were present when the
- 11 commission recessed.
- 12 Mr. Connell.
- 13 LDC [MR. CONNELL]: B.
- 14 MJ [COL POHL]: B? Okay, then we will do B. It took
- 15 one vote for B.
- 16 DC [MR. NEVIN]: No, no, we got five, six votes for B.
- 17 No question about that. But, Your Honor, I want to say, I
- 18 take it that B means that we are going to do this in a 505 and
- 19 that some portion of this will turn out to be closed or
- 20 secret. And on behalf of Mr. Mohammad, I object to
- 21 proceedings being closed, because they deal with preservation
- 22 of evidence of a detention facility. It's a critical matter
- 23 to Mr. Mohammad. It's central to the case as far as he's

- 1 concerned.
- 2 MJ [COL POHL]: Mr. Nevin ----
- 3 LDC [MR. NEVIN]: I object to the proceedings being
- 4 closed here.
- 5 MJ [COL POHL]: Okay. Let's do the 505(h) hearing, and
- 6 then if we do close proceedings, you can object. Because
- 7 there's no decision been made whether proceedcings will be
- 8 closed or not, got it.
- 9 LDC [MR. NEVIN]: Thanks, Your Honor.
- 10 MJ [COL POHL]: No problem.
- 11 LDC [CDR RUIZ]: Judge, I would just simply adopt Mr.
- 12 Nevin's argument on behalf of Mr. Hawsawi.
- 13 LDC [MS. BORMANN]: I'm sorry. I couldn't hear.
- 14 [Due to the security button being pushed, chief
- 15 security advisor and attorney advisor conferred with the
- 16 military judge.]
- 17 MJ [COL POHL]: Trial counsel, note for the record that
- 18 the 40-second delay was initiated, not by me. I'm curious as
- 19 to why. What Mr. Nevin said is, if we need to go into -- I
- 20 got the issue. What Mr. Nevin said is simply on the caption
- 21 of his motion that is unclassified. If you don't feel we can
- 22 discuss this now, let me know, but I'm just trying to figure
- 23 out.

- 1 TC [MS. BALTES]: We can address it in 505(h).
- 2 MJ [COL POHL]: I want to address this too because I
- 3 want -- if some external body is turning the commission off
- 4 under their own view of what things ought to be, with no
- 5 reasonable explanation because I, there is no classification
- 6 on it, then we are going to have a little meeting about who
- 7 turns that light on or off.
- 8 TC [MS. BALTES]: I understand and I can provide
- 9 additional explanation at the 505(h) hearing.
- 10 MJ [COL POHL]: Sure. Exactly what he said.
- 11 Mr. Nevin.
- 12 DC [MR. NEVIN]: Your Honor, on behalf of Mr. Mohammad I
- 13 would like to know who has the permission to turn that light
- 14 on and off, who is listening to this, who is controlling these
- 15 proceedings, or controlling that aspect of these proceedings.
- 16 MJ [COL POHL]: Got it.
- 17 DC [MR. NEVIN]: I was under the impression that the
- 18 court CSO was, commanded that light in this process. So on
- 19 behalf of Mr. Mohammad respectfully I request ----
- 20 MJ [COL POHL]: I understand. We will address that at
- 21 the 505(h) hearing, then we will put it on the record if we
- 22 can. But I'm not sure -- I will leave it at that.
- 23 LDC [MS. BORMANN]: Judge, on behalf of Mr. Bin'Attash

- 1 we join in Mr. Nevin's request and we note that Mr. Nevin
- 2 repeated the name of his motion which I won't repeat right now
- 3 for fear of setting off the 40-second delay, but my signature
- 4 is attached to that motion.
- 5 MJ [COL POHL]: I got it.
- 6 LDC [CDR RUIZ]: Judge, we adopt Mr. Nevin's argument as
- 7 well as Ms. Bormann's. I think the main concern is that
- 8 moving forward from this point forward we know there is
- 9 another body or party who is in control of this proceeding in
- 10 turning that light on and off. Before we proceed any further,
- 11 we can only assume that maybe they are monitoring additional
- 12 communications, perhaps when we are at counsel table. We know
- 13 we have green lights that have the ability to record. We
- 14 think this is an answer and question we have to have precedent
- 15 to proceeding with this commission.
- 16 MJ [COL POHL]: Got it. What we will do at
- 17 this time is discuss with each accused his right to be present
- 18 and his choice if he so desires to waive that presence. The
- 19 way I intend to proceed is to slowly go through the entire
- 20 list of rights and ask each accused individually if they
- 21 understand their rights rather than going through it five
- 22 times as I have done before.
- Mr. Nevin.