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ZABOL PROVINCIAL RECONSTRUCTION TEAM (PRT)
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This letter of recommendation is unsolicited. I, CPT Bobbi Smith, write this letter for the benefit of Ahmad Khalid Siddiqi, from whose professional relationship, I have garnered great benefit over the past mine months, dating 17 September 2005-15 May 2006. He has exemplary English, Dari, Pashto and Arabic language skills. He is multifaceted in both his ability of translation written and oral, and in the interpretation of the different languages.

Khalid pays attention to detail, striving to achieve any task to which he is assigned employing common sense in his decision-making process. A case in point, his collateral duty as the program coordinator for the Qalat PRT trade school carpet weaving courses required several hours of additional work and supervisory skills. He recruited, helped select and supervised four resident instructors. Additionally, he procured all of the supplies and equipment for the courses in Qalat, Kandahar and Kabul as required, with minimal supervision and without incident with 100% accountable of the handled funds.

He is diplomatic in his mannerisms and speech when required, as in the case of President Karzis' visit to the PRT. However, he can be assertive and reflect your intonations in cases that require concise and quick discussion.

Sincerely,

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