



# Indictment: Even Afghans Who Helped U.S. War Effort Can't Be Trusted

The Biden regime has airdropped tens of thousands of Afghans into cities and towns across the United States without vetting them. That's bad enough for the small-town Americans who <u>must deal</u> with the inevitable crime wave and tax burden.

But even those whom U.S. authorities have cleared can be a major national-security threat.

Writing last week before the <u>Haitian</u> invasion began at Del Rio, Texas, Todd Bensman of the Center for Immigration Studies <u>reminded readers</u> of the federal government's pending two-year-old indictment of a former Afghan interpreter for the U.S. military. Prosecutors allege that he smuggled Afghans — one of whom was a potential major security threat — across the border with Mexico.



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And as the *New American* has reported twice this month, authorities have stopped two previously deported Afghan felons from re-entering the country.

### The Smuggler

Mujeeb Rahman Saify, who worked for U.S. Special Forces, landed here in 2009, the <u>federal indictment</u> <u>says</u>, on a Special Immigrant Visa. Those visas are what many Afghans are using to enter the country in the latest evacuation.

Authorities charged him with "conspiracy to smuggle aliens to the United States, encouraging and inducing alien smuggling, and attempting to bring aliens to the United States," federal prosecutors said. He faces 10 years in federal prison and a \$250,000 fine.

"According to the indictment, between July 2016 through February 2017, Saify conspired with members of an Afghanistan and Pakistan-based smuggling network to smuggle two Afghanistan nationals to the United States," prosecutors alleged:

The Afghanistan nationals did not have prior authorization to enter the United States and one had been denied a U.S. visa. The indictment alleges that Saify made contact with the aliens and arranged meetings with the co-conspirators to discuss smuggling arrangements. Further, according to the indictment, Saify received payment, gave instructions to the aliens to facilitate the smuggling venture, and he used email and phone communications to facilitate and coordinate the criminal operation.



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So here was a man supposedly loyal to the United States, who had committed himself to the "idea" of America, as <u>President Joe Biden calls</u> the country. But Saify's work as an interpreter, <u>Bensman wrote</u>, was no guarantee he would stay loyal to the country and obey its laws. In fact, one of the men he smuggled into the country couldn't get a job with the military because he was a security threat.

"The still-pending indictment shows the limits to which national security vetting for visas can truly plumb hearts and minds of Afghans sired in a pre-modern nation steeped in fundamentalist Islam," Bensman wrote:

As if Saify's alleged violation of a compact with his adopted host nation was not bad enough on its own, one of the Afghans he allegedly helped smuggle over the Texas-Mexico border had been fired from U.S. Army employment as a "security threat", had been banned from setting foot on another U.S. base, and was barred for life from ever receiving a special immigrant visa.

That Afgan's name is Wasiqu Ullah. (The Saify case court records only identify Ullah as "Alien 2", however other court records soundly identify Alien 2 as Ullah.) Neither could care [less] about what America did or didn't want. They took matters into their own hands.

With Saify working on illegal arrangements from New Jersey, Ullah paid \$16,000 for his border end-run. He came across the Rio Grande at Brownsville, Texas, on January 19, 2018.

Had border security-officials not checked Defense Department records when Ullah applied for asylum, he likely would have received it. Bensman dug up court records that explained just who Ullah was:

Ullah had worked as a linguist for the U.S. Army at Camp Leatherneck from January 2011 to January 2014, even though one of his brothers was terminated as a linguist for involvement with Taliban sympathizers. Ullah ran into trouble when he applied for a special immigrant visa to come live in the United States, a benefit of service to the American operation in Afghanistan.

But during the security screening, he failed a routine polygraph in answering whether he was a member of an anti-coalition group or had ever participated in an attack against coalition forces. An army counterintelligence memorandum judged that Ullah was suspected of affiliating with a foreign intelligence security service "such as the Taliban", which meant Ullah had some communications that could pose a "force protection threat", the appellate court record states.

The Saify gang used fake foreign passports and visas to smuggle in their human cargo. The illegal aliens also carried other fake documents and even "papers indicating finite hotel reservations that matched bogus return-flight itineraries."

The Saify case proves that even Afghans who worked for U.S. forces in Afghanistan can't be trusted. That work, we are told, makes them potential targets for the new Taliban regime. And so they must be resettled here.

#### Rapist, Robber Watch Lists

Last week, an Afghan convicted of aggravated robbery in 2011, and deported in 2017, nearly slipped







into the country after landing on an evacuation flight. Officials at Dulles caught him before he was "resettled."

Authorities at Dulles <u>also stopped</u> a previously-deported Afghan rapist. Resettlement officials are also dealing with Afghan men who bring in child brides.

More than 100 Afghan "refugees" Biden tried to bring into the country showed up on terror watch lists.





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