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As-Saliyah - A member of the Abu Nidal Organization, a Palestinian militant group which figures on the US list of terrorist organizations, has surrendered to US Marines in Baghdad, the US Central Command announced on Saturday.

"Khala Khadr al-Salahat, a member of the Abu Nidal terrorist organisation, surrendered to the Marines of First Marine Division in Baghdad April 18," Centcom said in a statement issued at its war headquarters in Qatar.

"As the Secretary of Defence (Donald Rumsfeld) said when he outlined the military objectives of Operation Iraqi Freedom, one of our key objectives is to search for, capture and drive out terrorists who have found safe haven in Iraq," the statement said without giving further details.

Also known as the Fatah Revolutionary Council, the Abu Nidal Organization is held responsible for a string of assassinations and plane hijacks as well as 1985 attacks on Rome and Vienna airports.

