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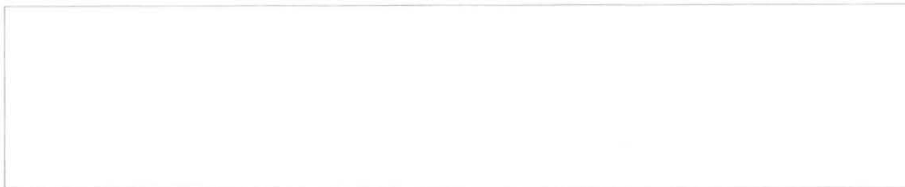
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TEXT:

1. ACTION REQUIRED: NOTE FOLLOWING CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS.

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2. THE FOLLOWING CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS RELATING TO THE DEATH OF ENEMY COMBATANT GUL RAHMAN AT [ ] FACILITY WAS ASSEMBLED BY STATION OFFICERS FROM THE ACCOUNTS OF [ ] PERSONNEL AND [ ] [ ] GUARDS WHO HAD KNOWLEDGE RELEVANT TO THIS EVENT.

3. BACKGROUND: GUL RAHMAN WAS BROUGHT TO THE FACILITY ON [ ] NOVEMBER. HE WAS GIVEN A PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND ALL HIS PERSONAL CLOTHES AND EFFECTS REMOVED. HE WAS DRESSED IN STANDARD PRISON GARB AND PLACED IN A SINGLE CELL. RAHMAN HAD BEEN CONSISTENTLY UNCOOPERATIVE SINCE ARRIVAL AND DISPLAYED EVIDENCE OF A HIGH LEVEL OF RESISTANCE TRAINING. HIS Demeanor IN THE PRESENCE OF HIS [ ] INTERROGATORS WAS EXTREMELY CALM AND CONTROLLED. HOWEVER, RAHMAN'S

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ATTITUDE TOWARDS HIS [ ] GUARDS WAS REPORTEDLY VERY DIFFERENT. THE SENIOR [ ] OFFICER PRESENT AT [ ] NOTIFIED STATION ABOUT ONE WEEK AGO THAT RAHMAN HAD DIRECTLY THREATENED HIS GUARDS. [ ] OFFICERS NEVER WITNESSED THIS BEHAVIOR FIRSTHAND). SPECIFICALLY, RAHMAN REPORTEDLY TOLD THEM THAT HE KNEW THEIR FACES AND THAT HE WOULD KILL OR HAVE THEM ALL KILLED AFTER HIS RELEASE. AS A RESULT OF THE PHYSICAL THREAT HE POSED TO HIS GUARDS, HE WAS KEPT CONSISTENTLY RESTRAINED WITH HAND AND ANKLE RESTRAINTS IN THE CELL HE OCCUPIED BY HIMSELF.

4. CHRONOLOGY:

A. THE LAST TIME RAHMAN WAS SEEN BY [ ] OFFICER PRIOR TO HIS DEATH WAS [ ] NOV 2002. AT THAT TIME RAHMAN WAS ASSESSED TO BE IN GOOD OVERALL HEALTH. STATION NOTED THAT RAHMAN HAD SMALL ABRASIONS ON HIS WRISTS AND ANKLES AS A RESULT OF THE RESTRAINTS. HIS ANKLE RESTRAINTS WERE LOOSENED AND HIS HAND RESTRAINTS WERE REMOVED WHEN RAHMAN WAS RETURNED TO HIS CELL.

B. AT [ ] ON [ ] NOV 2002, THE [ ] COMMANDER TOLD STATION THAT WHEN RAHMAN HAD BEEN GIVEN FOOD AT 1500 LOCAL, HE HAD THROWN IT, HIS PLATE, HIS WATER BOTTLE AND DEFECTION BUCKET AT THE GUARDS WHO HAD DELIVERED THE FOOD. STATION REQUESTED THAT THE [ ] COMMANDER TO REPLACE RAHMAN'S HAND RESTRAINTS TO PREVENT THIS FROM REOCCURRING, OR PREVENT HIM FROM UNDERTAKING ANY OTHER VIOLENT ACTION.

C. INTERVIEWED SEPARATELY ON [ ] NOV, EACH OF THE [ ] GUARDS REPORTED THAT DURING NORMAL CELL CHECKS AT 2200, 2300, 0400, AND 0800 HOURS ON [ ] NOV, GUL RAHMAN WAS ALIVE IN HIS CELL. RAHMAN WAS VISUALLY INSPECTED THROUGH THE DOOR CELL SLOT BUT NO GUARD ENTERED HIS CELL. [ ] GUARDS ON THE 0800 CELL CHECK SAID INDEPENDENTLY THAT RAHMAN WAS DEFINITELY ALIVE, WITH HIS EYES OPEN, SEATED IN HIS CELL AT 0800 ON [ ] NOV.

D. SHORTLY AFTER 1000 HOURS ON [ ] NOV 2002, STATION PERSONNEL THEN PRESENT AT THE FACILITY TO CONDUCT AN INTERROGATION OF ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL WERE NOTIFIED BY [ ] GUARDS THAT GUL RAHMAN WAS SLEEPING IN HIS CELL BUT THERE WAS SOME PROBLEM. STATION OFFICERS WERE ESCORTED TO THE CELL BY THE GUARDS. THESE OFFICERS REALIZED RAHMAN WAS DECEASED AND THEY SUBSEQUENTLY REQUESTED [ ] THAT STATION MEDIC VISIT THE FACILITY. OFFICERS REPORTED THAT A SMALL AMOUNT (PALM-SIZED POOL) OF DRIED BLOOD WAS PRESENT IN AND AROUND THE MOUTH AND NOSE OF SUBJECT. RAHMAN WAS OBSERVED STILL SHACKLED, AND SLUMPED OVER IN THE SEATED POSITION.

E. AT APPROXIMATELY 1030 HOURS, STATION MEDIC ARRIVED AT THE LOCATION. THE STATION MEDIC INSPECTED THE BODY AND NOTICED NO OBVIOUS CONTUSIONS, ABRASIONS, MARKS, SWELLING, OR OTHER INDICATIONS OF SPECIFIC CAUSE OF DEATH. HE NOTED THAT THE BLOOD IN EVIDENCE WAS DARK, NOT IN KEEPING WITH A WOUND TO THE NOSE OR MOUTH AREA. THE MEDIC'S NOTES ON RAHMAN'S CONDITION ARE FILED AT STATION. HIS

ESTIMATION WAS THAT RAHMAN HAD BEEN DEAD LESS THAN A FEW HOURS.

5. PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT: WITHOUT AN AUTOPSY IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF DEATH OF RAHMAN.

PLANS ARE TO PLACE THE BODY IN IMPROVISED COLD STORAGE PENDING DECISION ON DISPOSITION.

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