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# EXPLOITATION

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# OVERVIEW

- Full Spectrum Exploitation
- Phases of Exploitation
  - Targeting and Intelligence Collection
  - Initial Capture and Handling
  - Initial Holding and Processing
  - Exploitation and Interrogation Operations
  - Long term Exploitation
- “The Process”

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INTELLIGENCE  
COLLECTION

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INITIAL CAPTURE AND  
HANDLING

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# PRISONER/DETAINEE

## HANDLING

- *Establish control, dependence and observe behavior*
- Search
  - Items that could hurt you (Guns/knives)
  - Items you could use (maps, diaries, pictures, etc)
  - Leave Prisoners/Detainees with no possessions
- Silence
  - Do not allow any communications (verbal or non-verbal) with fellow Prisoners/Detainees
  - Minimal verbal communication
- Segregate
  - Physically separate Prisoners/Detainees from each other
  - Separate the “talkers” from the “non-talkers”

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# PRISONER/DETAINEE HANDLING

- Secure & keep tied, cuffed, bound and blindfolded. (Tag & Bag 'em)
- Speed to the rear. Get individual(s) out of the immediate area ASAP. Keep physically separated and no communications during transit. Ensure possessions accompany individual.
- Depending on tactical situation, some direct questioning of immediate tactical value can begin, i.e. Where are the threats? Who else is in the area?, etc.
- Note who appears to be cooperating - Interrogate first.

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# INITIAL HOLDING AND PROCESSING

The first reasonably secure area that allows adequate time to transfer prisoners to the force charged with the responsibility to exploit.

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# INITIAL HOLDING AREA

- Actions required:
  - Isolation and Segregation
  - Limited Sensory Deprivation
  - Medical Assessment and Triage
  - Exchange of Intelligence and Equipment
  - Restraints and Prisoner Control

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# EXPLOITATION AND INTERROGATION

Facility and operations designed to extract tactical information and develop the exploitation process

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# EXPLOITATION

- Facility Preparation
- Psychological Aspects of Captivity
- Isolation and Degradation
- Sensory Deprivation
- Physiological and Psychological Pressures
- Trickery and Deceit
- Methods of Interrogation
- Exploitation and Questioning Techniques

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# FACILITY PREPARATION

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# PSYCHOLOGICAL ASPECTS

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- Must continue to think of the long term. Getting caught up in short term goals can ruin long term gains
- Consequences of not getting information versus consequences of public exposure
- Using mid level personnel as leverage

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# PSYCHOLOGICAL ASPECTS

- Do not rely on one technique
- Routine patterns become predictive
- Well controlled with the appearance of Chaos
- Interrogator must appear to control everything

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# CAPTOR MOTIVES

- Establish absolute **CONTROL**
- Induce **DEPENDENCE** to meet needs
- Elicit **COMPLIANCE**
- Shaping **COOPERATION**

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ISOLATION AND  
DEGRADATION

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# SENSORY DEPRIVATION

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PHYSIOLOGICAL  
PRESSURES

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PSYCHOLOGICAL  
PRESSURES

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# TRICKERY AND DECEIT

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# EXPLOITATION AND QUESTIONING TECHNIQUES

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# INTERROGATIONS

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# OVERVIEW

- Phases of an Interrogation
- Planning & Preparation for a Interrogation
- Approaches
- Questioning
- Use of an Interpreter

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# Planning and Preparation

- Developing an Interrogation Plan - 1st Phase of process, Time, Objective, Situational Awareness.
- Collect Pertinent Information (Intel) - Reach back for Intel, review possessions for information, behavior at point of capture/transit, other reporting, question escort/security.
- Analyze Information - Establish level of knowledge-ability.
- Select Approaches - Try direct first. Primary and Alternate strategy.

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# Planning and Preparation

- Interrogation site - Remote and inhospitable!
- Other considerations: Security, Comms, Transportation, Weather, Medical, Food and Water.
- Finalize the plan - Identity of the source, topics to be covered, approach strategy selected, position of authority selected (cover story).

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# Approaches

- First face to face with source.
- Primary Purpose - Gain source's "willing" cooperation
- Objectives -
  - YOU ARE IN CHARGE, establish dominance.
  - Establish and maintain control over the source.
  - Establish and maintain rapport.
  - Manipulate the source's emotions and weakness to gain his "willing" cooperation.

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# Approaches

- Identify yourself as a superior
- Keep source restrained and blindfolded
- Direct the source to sit down, sit up straight, and face you
- Have source sit in chair lower to your or sit on floor
- Maintain eye contact
- Maintain firm "business-like" manner
- Arrange the guard to bend to your authority
- Look busy when he/she is brought in and ignore him for awhile.

Establish and maintain control

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# Approaches

- Circumstance of Capture
- Background questions (non-pertinent)
- Manipulate the source's emotions and weakness
  - Offer incentives - short term/long term
  - Showing concern - long term
  - Helping the source rationalize his guilt

Establish and maintain rapport

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# Approaches

- Manipulate the source's emotions and weakness (con't)
  - Exonerate the source from guilt
  - Flatter the source

Establish and maintain rapport

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# Approach Techniques

- Direct:
  - Always try first and make no effort to conceal the purpose of the interrogation.
- Futility:
  - Convince the source that resistance is futile. Present factual information in a persuasive, logical manner.
- We know all:
  - Questions are based upon available data concerning the source. When sources resists, interrogators provides the detailed answer.
- File and dossier:
  - Dovetails nicely with the We know all approach. Prepare a exaggerated dossier on source.

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