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**U.S. NAVAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE**

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION (ACTION)

20OCT05

DEATH (II)

CONTROL: 20SEP05-MEBJ-0651-7HMA

V/ABDULLAH, HASKEM SHEFI/CIV  
M/W/FNIZ/N//01JAN76/FALLUJAH, IRAQ

COMMAND/SECOND MARINE DIVISION/12000

MADE AT/0023/NCISHQ WASHINGTON DC, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C), SPECIAL AGENT

REFERENCE

(A) MIDDLE EAST FIELD OFFICE ROI (OPEN)/21Sep05

EXHIBIT

(1) IA: Results of Autopsy/12Oct05... (Copy MEBJ only)

NARRATIVE

1. On 29Oct05, Participating Agent (b)(6),(b)(7)(C), attended the autopsy of V/ABDULLAH. The autopsy was conducted by (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USN MC, Assistant Medical Examiner, Office of the Armed Forces Medical Examiner. The preliminary autopsy report lists the cause of death as a gunshot wound to the chest and the manner of death as homicide. Lead tasking to 23B is pending the receipt of the final autopsy report.

PARTICIPANT

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Special Agent, NCISHQ Washington, DC (AFIP)

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**EXHIBIT(S)**

- (1) IA: Results of Death Scene Exam/22SEP05...(Copy All)
- (2) IA: Results of Receipt of Documents/25SEP05...(Copy All)
- (3) IA: Results of Seizure/25SEP05...(Copy All)
- (4) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7) 25SEP05...(Copy All)
- (5) IA: Results of Retrieval of Umbrella CI Force Protection Source Operation Proposal and CI/Human Intelligence Guidelines/21SEP05...(Copy All Less DCWA and FEOK)
- (6) IA: Results of Retrieval of II MEF Detainee Handling and Detention Facility SOP/21SEP05...(Copy All Less DCWA and FEOK)
- (7) IA: Results of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Service Record Book/21SEP05...(Copy All)
- (8) Military Suspect's Acknowledgment and Cleansing Waiver of Rights/21SEP05...(Copy All)
- (9) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(b)(7) 21SEP05...(Copy All)
- (10) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 23SEP05...(Copy All)
- (11) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 23SEP05...(Copy All)
- (12) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 23SEP05...(Copy All)
- (13) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(7) 23SEP05...(Copy All)
- (14) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 23SEP05...(Copy All)
- (15) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 23SEP05...(Copy All)
- (16) Military Suspect's Acknowledgment and Cleansing Waiver of Rights/24SEP05...(Copy All)
- (17) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(b)(7) 24SEP05...(Copy All)
- (18) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7) 25SEP05...(Copy All)
- (19) IA: Results of Indices Checks on (b)(6),(b)(7) 25SEP05...(Copy All)
- (20) Sworn Statement of (b)(6),(7) 27SEP05...(Copy All)
- (21) IA: Results of Translation/27SEP05...(Copy All)
- (22) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7) 27SEP05...(Copy All)
- (23) IA: Results of Review of Records on V/ABDULLAH/27SEP05...(Copy All)
- (24) IA: Results of Photographic Coverage of Death Scene/27SEP05...(Copy All)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. On 21SEP05, V/ABDULLAH was shot and killed in Fallujah, Iraq, in the vicinity of (b)(2) Entry Control Point (ECP) 5, manned by members of Regimental Combat Team 8. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) detained V/ABDULLAH for being a suspected member of anti-coalition forces. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, SSN: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) DOB: (b)(6),(b)(7) 1st Intelligence Battalion, Counter Intelligence/HUMINT Company, was left alone in a room with V/ABDULLAH, who was not restrained but (b)(7)(E). Reportedly, V/ABDULLAH attacked (b)(6),(b)(7) After a brief struggle, (b)(6),(b)(7) shot V/ABDULLAH once with his M9 in the chest. Corpsmen administered medical treatment to V/ABDULLAH who succumbed to his wound approximately one hour later while awaiting a MEDEVAC. NCIS agents responded, processed the death scene, collected potential evidence, effected photographic coverage, and obtained statements taken by the command. V/ABDULLAH's remains were transported by NCIS to mortuary affairs at Camp Fallujah, Iraq where they were summarily sent to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology for an autopsy. An initial interview of (b)(6),(b)(7) was conducted using the witness statements provided by the command and information obtained via the death scene exam. (b)(6),(b)(7) admitted shooting V/ABDULLAH and claimed it was in self defense. Follow on interviews were then conducted with witnesses and a subsequent re-interview of (b)(6),(b)(7) was conducted. On 24SEP05, II MEF SJA was advised of the status of the investigation and that no information had been developed which indicated that the shooting of V/ABDULLAH was anything other than self defense. On 24SEP05, (b)(6),(b)(7) was redeployed to the Camp Pendleton, CA, as scheduled, with the rest of his unit. This investigation is pending results from the autopsy of V/ABDULLAH, the toxicology and the forensic examination of potential evidence.

## NARRATIVE

1. This case was initiated to determine the full circumstances surrounding the death of V/ABDULLAH. No criminal statutes apply at this time.

2. On 20SEP05, Reporting Agent (RA), Participating Agent (PA) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C), USMC, Combat Cameraman responded to the death scene, effected photographic coverage, collected potential evidence and documented the scene. RA observed that V/ABDULLAH had been shot once in the upper right chest. RA noted that a hole in V/ABDULLAH's shirt corresponded in approximate location with the apparent entrance wound in his chest. RA noted the apparent entrance wound was elliptical in shape with the lower portion of the hole coming to a slight point. The upper half of the hole had a black in color semi-circle along the edge. RA and team noted no other recent injuries on V/ABDULLAH. RA and team then collected the remains of V/ABDULLAH and transported them to mortuary affairs at Camp Fallujah. Exhibit (1) pertains.

3. On 20SEP05, RA obtained witness statements generated by the command from the ECP Commander. Exhibit (2) details.

4. On 20SEP05, RA seized the BDU top and holster worn by (b)(6),(b)(7) at the time of the shooting from (b)(6),(b)(7) Exhibit (3) pertains.
5. On 20SEP05, RA interviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) CIV, another detainee to determine if he possessed any knowledge about the incident. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related he had not heard or seen anything. Exhibit (4) details.
6. On 21SEP05, PA (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) obtained copies of pertinent policy documents governing use of force, use of force against detainees and Human Exploitation Team operations. PA also obtained and reviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Service Record Book. Exhibits (5) through (7) pertain.
7. On 21SEP05, RA advised (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) of his UCMJ Article 31b rights, which he waived and rendered a sworn statement wherein he admitted to shooting V/ABDULLAH in self defense when the unrestrained, bu (b)(7)(E) V/ABDULLAH, attacked him. Exhibits (8) and (9) detail.
8. On 23SEP05, PA (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) obtained a sworn statement from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) wherein he related that he had personally cut off V/ABDULLAH's flex cuffs, as they were too tight, prior to leaving V/ABDULLAH in the custody of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Exhibit (10) pertains.
9. On 23SEP05, RA obtained a sworn statement from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) where in he related that V/ABDULLAH was (b)(7)(E) and not restrained. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) also provided that V/ABDULLAH had been non-compliant in that he would not sit still and kept removing his hands from his lap to his upper chest. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) added that V/ABDULLAH would also move his feet and body towards sounds generated by (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) as he moved around the room (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated that he intended to leave (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) guarding V/ABDULLAH only for a few moments as he was just going outside to check on another Marine who was watching (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) did not provide any information on V/ABDULLAH's non-compliance to (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated that he had only been out of the room occupied by V/ABDULLAH for a few seconds when he heard the gunshot and ran back in to find (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) standing over V/ABDULLAH with his M9 in his hand. Exhibit (11) details.
10. On 23SEP05, PA (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) obtained a sworn statement from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USN, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) provided that while guarding V/ABDULLAH for approximately 15 minutes V/ABDULLAH was flex cuffed and (b)(7)(E) but that V/ABDULLAH would point his toes at every sound he heard in the room. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related that this made him very nervous. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related that he was relieved of his guard post by (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Exhibit (12) pertains.
11. On 23SEP05, PA (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) obtained a sworn statement from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) who related that as per RA's telephonic directions to his platoon

leader, he had seized the M9, magazine and spent shell casing from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) placed them in a clean and empty MRE box and carried it to the death scene. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated that he had spoken with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) soon after the incident and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) had stated to him that the ammunition in his weapon had been non US ammunition and that (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) had given him an account of the shooting, which RA observed closely, matched the description of events provided by (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) in his statement. Exhibit (13) details.

12. On 23SEP05, PA (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) obtained a sworn statement from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) DOB (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) who related that he spoke with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) shortly after the shooting. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) reported that (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated that he had almost made it through the deployment without having to fire a shot. Exhibit (14) details.

13. On 23SEP05, PA (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) obtained a sworn statement from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) who spoke with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) shortly after the shooting. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related that he has never heard (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) make comments about wanting to kill someone and that he considered (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) to be a calm person who would use deadly force as a last resort. Exhibit (15) details.

14. On 24SEP05, RA advised (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) of his UCMJ Article 31b rights, which he waived and rendered a sworn statement wherein he provided additional details pertaining to shooting V/ABDULLAH and his escalation of force, perception of V/ABDULLAH's actions and his back ground as it pertains to self defense training and experiences in Iraq. Exhibits (16) and (17) pertain.

15. On 21SEP05, RA and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) jointly prepared a sketch of the room V/ABDULLAH was shot in, as it appeared just before the attack. Exhibit (18).

16. On 23SEP05, RA accomplished appropriate indices checks and a check of DEIDS. RA found no criminal records associated with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) identifying information. Exhibit (19) pertains.

17. On 27SEP05, RA interviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related that he was the first person into the HET room after the gunshot, in direct opposition to information provided by (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and that V/ABDULLAH did (b)(7)(E) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) also provided information on (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) comments shortly after the shooting which correspond with those provided by (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Exhibit (20) details.

18. On 27SEP05, RA had the tattoos found on V/ABDULLAH and his Iraqi identity document translated. RA noted that the tribe and birth date were different than that provided by Multi-National Forces-Iraq West Biometric Automated Tool Set (BATS) Data Base. RA observed the tattoos appeared to be a memorial to deceased persons. Exhibit (21) pertains.

19 On 27SEP05, RA interviewed (B)(6)(7C) CIV, (B)(6)(7C) interpreter, who provided that he never told (B)(6)(7C) source that (B)(6)(7C) shot V/ABDULLAH. Enclosure (22) details.

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20. On 21SEP05, RA reviewed V/ABDULLAH's file in the Multi-National Forces-Iraq West Biometric Automated Tool Set (BATS) Data Base, the data in which is classified. RA learned that V/ABDULLAH was detained FEB05 through JUL05 under detainee number (b)(2). An unclassified summary of the information is appended at Exhibit (23) pertains.

21 On 27SEP05, RA received the results of photographic coverage from (B)(6)(7C) Exhibit (24) details.

22. This investigation is pending results from the autopsy of V/ABDULLAH, the toxicology and the forensic examination of potential evidence.

**PARTICIPANT(S)**

- (B)(6)(7C) Special Agent, NCIS Det Iraq
- (B)(6)(7C) Special Agent, NCIS Det Iraq
- (B)(6)(7C) Special Agent, NCIS Det Iraq
- (B)(6)(7C) USMC, Combat Cameraman
- (B)(6)(7C) Special Agent, NCIS Det Iraq

**ACTION**

R.MEBJ: Due to technical difficulties Combat Camera can not currently produce appropriately sized quality photos. Coordinate with Fleet Imaging Services, NSA Bahrain, to produce four copies each, 5X7 inch semi-gloss photos utilizing the attached CD. Transfer one set of photos to NCIS DET Camp Fallujah and retain the other three for use in preparation of copies for distribution.

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RESULTS OF DEATH SCENE EXAMINATION

NOTIFICATION

1. On 20SEP05, at 1210 hours local, this office was notified by the II Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF) Command Operations Center (COC) that V/ABDULLAH had been shot and killed while in the custody of US Marines from Company F, 2/7 Marines at Entry Control Point (ECP) 5 in the city of Fallujah, Iraq. Initial information indicated that V/ABDULLAH had been detained for insurgent activities and was subsequently shot once in the chest by a 9mm pistol when he attacked a Marine guarding him. Reportedly V/ABDULLAH was shot at 0945 hrs and succumbed to his injuries at 1052 hrs. SSA (B)(6)(7C) directed Reporting Agent (RA) and Participating Agent (PA) (B)(6)(7C) to respond to the scene of V/ABDULLAH's death. RA coordinated for Combat Cameraman (B)(6)(7C), USMC to provide photographic support during the death scene exam. RA, PA and (B)(6)(7C) departed Camp Fallujah in a military convoy at approximately 1450 hrs and arrived at ECP 5 at 1520 hrs. Enclosure (A) pertains.

AREA OVERVIEW

2. The scene was located at ECP 5 to the city of Fallujah Iraq in the vicinity of (b)(2). (b)(2) The ECP is an outpost manned by a single platoon of US Marines who are supplemented by four soldiers from the Iraqi Army. The ECP is actually two compounds which straddle Main Supply Route (MSR) MICHIGAN. The compound to the North of MSR Michigan is secured from the general Iraqi public and is manned 24 hours a day. The Northern compound houses the command and control and life support facilities for the Marines stationed there. The Southern Compound is open to the general Iraqi public and is open only until 1700 hrs daily. This compound is manned by three to four Marines whose function is to operate the Biometric Automated Tool Set (BATS) and issue ID cards to Iraqi citizens who are qualified to obtain one. The Southern compound is surrounded by an eight foot HESCO barrier wall and has only foot traffic access, but access to the compound is not controlled. The Southern compound is immediately adjacent to MSR Michigan and is located down a steep embankment in the flood plain of the Euphrates river. Within the Southern compound are two wood framed plywood buildings whose long axis are roughly parallel to MSR Michigan. The northern building is where the BATS operators are located and the southern building is used as a

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multipurpose building. Uses of the southern building include source meets, detainee holding/screening area and break room. Enclosures (B), (C) and (D) pertain.

#### DEATH SCENE OVERVIEW

3. The scope of this death scene exam was limited to description of the incident scene, documentation, collection and preservation of physical evidence, preparation of a scene diagram and scene photography. Limiting factors of this scene exam included threat of insurgent attack, lack of readily available investigative support, and less than four hours of day light. No medical doctor was available to pronounce the death of V/ABDULLAH. Prior coordination with Camp Fallujah Mortuary Affairs results in the agreement that RA and team would retrieve body of V/ABDULLAH and transport it to Camp Fallujah Mortuary Affairs for processing and on ward movement to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Office of the Medical Examiner for an autopsy.

4. RA and team arrived on scene at 1520 hrs. (B)(6)(7C) USMC, SSN: (B)(6)(7C) briefed the RA on the facts of the death of V/ABDULLAH as he knew them and also provided the RA with the written statements obtained by the command. Statements provided by (B)(6)(7C) will be appended via a separate investigative action. (B)(6)(7C) took the RA and team from the northern compound to the southern compound of the ECP where (B)(6)(7C) identified the southern most building in the compound as being the location of the death of V/ABDULLAH. (B)(6)(7C) related that as per the instructions he received from the RA, over the phone at approximately 1430 hrs, he had secured the weapon, magazine and spent casing, used to shoot V/ABDULLAH, placed it in a clean cardboard box and set it inside the southern building which was under guard in such a manner as not to interfere with the scene.

5. RA observed that the scene was completely contained within the southern most building. RA noted that the southern most building was a rectangular plywood structure which was raised approximately one foot off the ground. RA observed that the building had a gable roof and a single door at each end of the building. RA determined that the door at the western end was secured from the inside and that the door at the eastern end was closed but not secured. RA observed the ground outside the building was dirt and vice sand, there was significant vegetation and insect activity in an area likely due to the proximity of the Euphrates river. The outside temperature was over 100 degrees F, it was humid and the sky was clear.

6. RA opened the door to the southern building and observed a cot in the center of the room closer to the eastern end of the building and the long axis of the cot was parallel with the long axis of the building, running east to west. RA observed the body of V/ABDULLAH laying on the cot face up with his head to the west and his feet to the east. V/ABDULLAH's hands were at his sides and he was wearing a pair of blue shorts. RA observed the box containing the pistol used to shoot V/ABDULLAH against the southern wall. RA noted two blankets lying near V/ABDULLAH and numerous artifacts of the medical treatment provided to V/ABDULLAH on the floor. Apparent blood was on the plywood floor and multiple sets of boot prints were evident in the blood as were

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bloody boot prints around the cot. RA noted that a body bag had been propositioned parallel to the cot on the south side of the cot. RA also noted the presence of pieces of flex cuffs at various locations in the room. Lighting was provided by a single fluorescent tube light under which V/ABDULLAH was centered.

7. RA entered the building and noted that it was cooled by two wall unit AC's and that the noticeably temperature was cooler than it was outside. RA observed that the building had no interior walls subdividing it and that it was effectively one large room. RA observed three white plastic yard furniture type chairs at various locations throughout the room and a large piece of foam rubber at the western end of the building. RA also noted a pile of water bottles in the southeast corner of the building. RA observed that there was also general litter on the floor and the floor was dusty.

8. RA exited the building and briefed PA on the scene inside. RA directed PA and (B)(6)(7C) to begin photographic coverage of scene while the RA located (B)(6)(7C) for the purpose of seizing potential evidence and examining (B)(6)(7C) for possible injuries related to the altercation with V/ABDULLAH. This investigative action will be reported separately.

9. (B)(6)(7C) under the direction of PA, effected photographic coverage of the death scene and V/ABDULLAH. This investigative action will be reported separately.

10. Upon RA's return to the death scene, RA effected measurements of the room and triangulated the location of key pieces of potential evidence and V/ABDULLAH. Death scene sketch is appended as enclosure (E). Sketches depict conditions noted at the scene on 20SEP05. The sketches contain pertinent measurements so as to identify the location of items within the scene and their respective relationship.

11. PA observed that V/ABDULLAH was cool too the touch, his eyes were open and fixed, rigor had set in, no lividity was present, no significant odor was present, and blood had pooled on the cot and floor around V/ABDULLAH. PA noted the presence of an apparent single bullet hole in V/ABDULLAH's right pectoral. PA observed that the bullet hole was slightly oblong as to denote a downward trajectory of the bullet. PA observed a black semicircle along the upper edge of the of the top (towards V/ABDULLAH's head) of the apparent bullet hole. PA noted there was no detectable exit wound visible and no other obvious recent injuries. PA observed the presence of medical products on and around V/ABDULLAH which were likely artifacts of the medical treatment provided by Corpsmen on scene. PA closely studied V/ABDULLAH's hands, finger nails, forearms and wrists for signs of self defense wounds or indications that restraints had been present at the time of death, none were observed. PA noted that V/ABDULLAH's right lower leg had a scar and deformation approximately 2-3 inches above the ankle. PA observed tattoos in Arabic on both the left and right outer biceps.

12. RA and PA bagged and sealed the hands of V/ABDULLAH with paper bags, rubber bands and evidence tape to preserve potential DNA evidence and potential gunshot residue (GSR). RA and PA did not conduct a GSR on scene, to prevent cross

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contamination, as they had both been handling ammunition and their personal weapons and had no way clean their hands thoroughly. RA and PA, with assistance from Marines on scene, loaded V/ABDULLAH into a body bag. PA noted that upon moving V/ABDULLAH clear liquid flowed out of the entrance wound followed by red liquid. RA sealed the body bag with a serial numbered seal reading "N-712912". RA released the death scene at 1706 and RA and team departed the scene at 1715.

13. V/ABDULLAH was loaded into an M998 HMMWV for transport to Mortuary Affairs at Camp Fallujah. RA and team departed ECP 5 at 1735 hrs in a four vehicle convoy which included the vehicle containing V/ABDULLAH.

14. RA and team arrived at 1806 at Camp Fallujah Mortuary Affairs, who custody of V/ABDULLAH from NCIS. Mortuary Affairs broke the seal on the body bag in the presence of PA at 1815. SSA I <sup>(B)(6)(7C)</sup>, removed the paper bags from V/ABDULLAH's hands and conducted a USACIL GSR kit on them. The original paper bags were taken into evidence and a new pair of bags were placed on V/ABDULLAH's hands and sealed. A new seal was affixed to the body bag by Mortuary Affairs reading "N-658629" at 1844 hrs. RA and team departed Mortuary Affairs at 1850 hrs.

#### PHYSICAL EVIDENCE DOCUMENTATION

15. All physical evidence collected at the scene was listed on NCIS evidence custody documents (ECDs) prior to being entered into the NCIS DET Camp Fallujah Temporary Evidence Locker under evidence log numbers 292-05 and 294-05. Enclosures (F) and (G) pertain. Items seized included, but were not limited to, V/ABDULLAH's clothing, V/ABDULLAH's person affects, four pieces of flex cuffs, an M9 pistol with magazine and ammunition, and apprehension list and scrap of paper, found underneath the body on the cot, with V/ABDULLAH's name on it. Enclosure (I) details the particulars of the M9 seized. Of note no expended shell casing was recovered despite and exhaustive search of the scene. RA conducted inquiries to determine the whereabouts of the expended shell casing. <sup>(B)(6)(7C)</sup> related he had retained the expended shell casing on his person as it failed to eject from his pistol and subsequently surrendered it to SSG <sup>(B)(6)(7C)</sup> (NFI), who placed it in box with the <sup>(B)(6)(7C)</sup> pistol and transported it to the death scene. RA noted the box used to carry the shell casing and pistol to the scene had a 1 inch X 6 inch gap in the bottom of the box. No other participants were identified that had any knowledge of the location of the shell casing. Presumably the shell casing fell out of the box over the course of the over 400 meter walk from the northern compound to the southern compound. A search of the route the shell casing was transported over was not conducted due to the shifting sand, loose soil and rocks and the prevalence spent shell casings in the area due to previous and ongoing combat operations.

#### WEATHER AND ILLUMINATION DATA

16. Weather and illumination data for 20SEP05, were obtained for Fallujah, Iraq, from the II MEF Meteorological Tactical Operations Center. Enclosure (H) pertains.

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## ENCLOSURES

- (A) Duty Call In Take Sheet/20SEP05
- (B) Map Depicting ECP 5/circa 2002
- (C) Diagram of ECP 5/23SEP05
- (D) Diagram of Southern Compound of ECP/23SEP05
- (E) Diagram of Death Scene/23SEP05
- (F) Copy of ECD 292-05/20SEP05
- (G) Copy of ECD 294-05/20SEP05
- (H) Firearms Documentation Worksheet/23SEP05
- (I) 20SEP05 Weather and Illumination data/23SEP05

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