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V/ABBASS, ADNAN EID/CIV
M/W/FNIZ/N///AR RUTBAH, IZ

INTERVIEW OF (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

On 05JAN06, Reporting Agent interviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, concerning his knowledge in the death of detainee Adnan Eid ABBASS on 04JAN06. This interview occurred at Forward Operation Base (FOB) Korean Village IZ and a statement was not obtained because of time limitations.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated during the morning of 04JAN06 raids at AR Rutbah he remained outside the residence providing security. Three detainees were taken out of the last residence they raided that night and placed into (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) highback HMMWV.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) was the gunner for the vehicle which was fixed on a center post of the HMMWV cargo area. ABBASS, the detainee who died, walked to the vehicle on his own power and was placed in the corner of the vehicle behind the front passenger seat.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) recalled ABBASS was wearing a man dress and shoes. ABBASS was given a blanket and seemed to be fine. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) thought that (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) put the blanket over ABBASS and that it did not cover his face. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) further recalled that ABBASS had a (b)(7)(E) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C),(b)(7)(E) also recalled that it was very dark outside.

The ride from ABBASS' residence to Korean Village took about 35 to 40 minutes. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) had gortex and night vision goggles device on and watched primarily for IEDs along their route. He seldom looked into the cargo area of his vehicle.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) thought he may have looked at ABBASS once during the ride and did not notice anything unusual. It appeared ABBASS was sitting staring in the direction of the driver of the vehicle.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) recalled that (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) were sitting in their sleeping bags with just their heads poking out. Once they got to the detention center they got out of the vehicle and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) took the first two detainees who were sitting near the tailgate into the detention center.

As (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) departed, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) called out to the third detainee, ABBASS, to get his attention that it was time to get out. ABBASS did not respond so (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) then tried to get him to stand up, however, ABBASS was limp.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) said ABBASS still had on (b)(7)(E) and blanket so

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(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(C) took them off and noted that ABBASS was not faking and was unresponsive.

They then called for medics and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) responded. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) was sent to get their medical bags and when he returned to the HMMWV (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) was told that the detainee was dead. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) ended his verbal statement by saying he did not see any mistreatment and did not know what caused the death of ABBASS. No further pertinent information was obtained during this interview.

CONTACT INFO

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INTERVIEW OF (b)(6),(b)(7)

On 05JAN06, Reporting Agent interviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, concerning his knowledge of the death of detainee Adnan Eid ABBASS on 04JAN06.

(b)(6),(b)(7) recalled that his unit was conducting raids in Al Rutbah IZ and ABBASS' residence was the last house that they raided. (b)(6),(b)(7) recalled entering the house and went through the first room and made his way to the hallway and to the last room on the left.

(b)(6),(b)(7) remembered that someone was with him, however, he could not recall who it was. In that room they found three females, four children under the age of eight years old, and teenage male about 13 years old.

(b)(6),(b)(7) flexed cuffed the 13 year old boy by the wrists in front of his body for safety reasons. Then he told the women to sit and remain calm and they did.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) brought the matron of the house into (b)(6),(b)(7) room. (b)(6),(b)(7) asked her where the weapons for the house are. She responded on top of the master bedroom closet.

(b)(6),(b)(7) then left that room and while traveling to the master bedroom he noticed in the hallway two Marines were wrestling on the ground with an older Iraqi male that was later identified as ABBASS.

(b)(6),(b)(7) continued to the master bedroom and found an AK-47 with one loaded magazine on top of the closet. (b)(6),(b)(7) passed the weapon to another Marine, however, he could not recall who that Marine was.

(b)(6),(b)(7) then returned to the room that contained the matron and while in there another women with a baby was brought in. At about that time (b)(6),(b)(7) heard the Captain say over the radio that it was time to leave. (b)(6),(b)(7) advised the women to stay in their room for a half hour before coming out.

(b)(6),(b)(7) then exited the building and was the last person to leave. He walked over to his HMMWV and found three detainees, who were taken from the residence they had just raided, in the cargo area of the High Back HMMWV. (b)(6),(b)(7) further stated that (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7) were already in the back of the vehicle with the detainees. (b)(6),(b)(7) asked if they were set and (b)(6),(b)(7) heard the yes response. (b)(6),(b)(7) then got into the front passenger seat and they drove to Korean Village.

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When they arrived at Korean Village they began to unload the HMMWV. The first two detainees who sat near the tailgate got out first and were escorted to the detention center. (b)(6),(b)(7) was returning back to the HMMWV and saw (b)(6),(b)(7) doing a two man carry on the ABBASS in the HMMWV.

(b)(6),(b)(7) said the detainees are usually pretty scared and are breathing hard, but ABBASS was unresponsive. (b)(7)(E)
 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C),(b)(7)(E) noticed the eyes were partially open.

Corpsmen (b)(6),(b)(7) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) came over and helped unload ABBASS by lying him down on the deck behind the HMMWV. Someone notified Battalion Aid Station and (b)(6),(b)(7) order a stretcher and ABBASS was placed on it. (b)(6),(b)(7) then left for debrief.

(b)(6),(b)(7) claimed he had no knowledge of anyone assaulting ABBASS and (b)(6),(b)(7) opinioned that ABBASS had a heart attack while enroute to Camp Korean Village. No further pertinent information was obtained during this interview.

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