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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION (INTERIM)

13MAR07

DEATH (II)

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 M/W/FNIZ/N//01JAN47/SYRIA  
 A/KHALAF'ABD, AHMAD//  
 A/KHALAF, SHABAHMAD//  
 A/MASHADAL, AHMED KHALAF ABDAL//

COMMAND/3RD BATTALION, 14TH MARINES/81233

MADE AT/24IZ/AL ASAD IRAQ (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) SPECIAL AGENT

## REFERENCE(S)

(A) NCIS Al Asad ROI (INTERIM)/25Feb07 (Contains Exhibits 1-27)

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. On 03Jan07, at approximately 1810, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C), Staff Judge Advocate (SJA), Regimental Combat Team 7 (RCT-7), USMC, Camp Ripper, Al Asad, Iraq, advised a detainee had died during an interrogation with a HUMINT Exploitation Team (HET) member at the Regional Detention Facility (RDF). Upon arriving at the Al Asad Air Base Hospital (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) MC, USN, advised V/ABDAL died, in his opinion, due to cardiopulmonary arrest. Interviews were conducted with hospital, fire rescue and RDF Marine personnel who attended to V/ABDAL. Statements were obtained from the HET interrogator, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, and the Linguist, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) who were present when V/ABDAL collapsed. (b)(6), and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated V/ABDAL never indicated he was in pain or feeling ill during the interrogation. (b)(6), and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated after approximately thirty minutes into the interrogation, V/ABDAL appeared to have fainted. (b)(6), noted V/ABDAL was grinding his teeth at one point in the interrogation. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated V/ABDAL was "snoring" when he collapsed. Two videotapes of the interrogation were seized and reviewed with no discrepancies noted from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) statements. This investigation remains open pending autopsy results from Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.

## NARRATIVE

1. This is a reactive investigation being conducted to document the events surrounding V/ABDAL's death at the Regional Detention Facility (RDF) aboard Al Asad, Iraq. No statutes apply at this time.
2. Subsequent to the submission of Reference (A), V/ABDAL's autopsy report and photographic coverage has not been received. This investigation is being reassigned to (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) NCIS Special Agent, Al Asad, Iraq, due to current case agents pending transfer.

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## EXHIBIT(S)

- (1) IA: Results of Initial Response/24Feb07... (Copy All)
- (2) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USN, MD/28Jan07... (Copy All)
- (3) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 8Jan07... (Copy All)
- (4) Statement of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 04Jan07... (Copy All)
- (5) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) /28Jan07... (Copy All)
- (6) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/04Feb07... (Copy All)
- (7) IA: Results of Mortuary Affairs Documentation and Photographs of V/ABDAL/21Feb07... (Copy All)
- (8) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/04Feb07... (Copy All)
- (9) IA: Receipt of Detainee Documents and Seizure of Video Tapes of Interview Booth/21Feb07... (Copy All)
- (10) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/05Feb07... (Copy All)
- (11) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 09Feb07... (Copy All)
- (12) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/04Feb07... (Copy All)
- (13) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/14Feb07... (Copy All)
- (14) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/05Feb07... (Copy All)
- (15) IA: Results of Interview of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 04Jan07... (Copy All)
- (16) IA: Results of Death Scene Examination/24Feb07... (Copy All)
- (17) IA: Results of Video Tape Review/24Feb07... (Copy All)
- (18) IA: Results of Interview of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/21Feb07... (Copy All)
- (19) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/05Feb07... (Copy All)
- (20) IA: Receipt of V/ABDAL's Iraq Identification Card Information/24Feb07... (Copy All)
- (21) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 09Feb07... (Copy All)
- (22) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC/13Feb07... (Copy All)
- (23) IA: Results of Interview with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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- (24) IA: Results of Interview of Detainee # (b)(6), 21Feb07...(Copy All)  
 (25) IA: Results of Interview (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Department of  
 Defense Fire Department/21Feb07...(Copy All)  
 (26) IA: Results of Interview of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)  
 Firefighter/21Feb07...(Copy All)  
 (27) IA: Receipt of Fire Department Incident Report/21Feb07...(Copy All)

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. On 03Jan07, at approximately 1810 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Staff Judge Advocate (SJA), Regimental Combat Team 7 (RCT-7), USMC, Camp Ripper, Al Asad, Iraq, advised a detainee had died during an interrogation with a HUMINT Exploitation Team (HET) member at the Regional Detention Facility (RDF). Upon arriving at the Al Asad Air Base Hospital (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) MC, USN, advised V/ABDAL died, in his opinion, due to cardiopulmonary arrest. Interviews were conducted with hospital, fire rescue and RDF Marine personnel who attended to V/ABDAL. Statements were obtained from the HET interrogator, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, and the Linguist, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) who were present when V/ABDAL collapsed, (b)(6), and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated V/ABDAL never indicated he was in pain or feeling ill during the interrogation (b)(6), and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated after approximately thirty minutes into the interrogation, V/ABDAL appeared to faint (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) noted V/ABDAL was grinding his teeth at one point in the interrogation. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated V/ABDAL was "snoring" when he collapsed. Two videotapes of the interrogation were seized and reviewed with no discrepancies noted from (b)(6), and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) statements. This investigation remains open pending autopsy results from Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.

**NARRATIVE**

1. This is a reactive investigation being conducted to document the events surrounding V/ABDAL's death at the Regional Detention Facility (RDF) aboard Al Asad, Iraq. No statutes apply at this time.

2. On 03Jan07, at approximately 1810 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Staff Judge Advocate (SJA), Regimental Combat Team 7 (RCT-7), USMC, Camp Ripper, Al Asad, Iraq, advised a detainee had died during an interrogation with a HUMINT Exploitation Team (HET) member at the Regional Detention Facility (RDF). Upon arriving at the Al Asad Air Base Hospital (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) MC, USN, advised V/ABDAL died in his opinion due to cardiopulmonary arrest. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated he noted no external injuries to V/ABDAL but did report V/ABDAL may have had ribs broken during Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), exhibits (1) and (2) pertain (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) reported hearing and feeling V/ABDAL's ribs crack during the performance of chest compressions, exhibit (3) pertains.

3. On 03Jan07 and 04Jan07, interviews were conducted with hospital and RDF Marine personnel who attended to V/ABDAL (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USN, related he examined V/ABDAL prior to his interview with HET and performed CPR on V/ABDAL at the RDF and during transport to the hospital. Exhibit (4) provides amplifying details (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) confirmed

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they were involved in the transport of V/ABDAL to the hospital. Additionally, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) related he preformed CPR on V/ABDAL at the RDF and enroute to the hospital and provided V/ABDAL's prior medical history information, exhibits (5) and (6) pertain.

4. On 03Jan07, Mortuary Affairs personnel provided copies of V/ABDAL's hospital documentation and photographs were taken of V/ABDAL, however due to a computer hard drive failure all photographic documentation taken by NCIS Al Asad was lost, exhibit (7) pertains.

5. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) USMC, Commanding Officer, RDF, provided information regarding V/ABDAL's detention and medical records as well as two video tapes which recorded the interview being conducted with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) USMC, the Linguist (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and V/ABDAL. According to V/ABDAL's medical records he was taking medication two times a day for hypertension, stomach ulcers and proctitis, exhibits (8)-(9) provide amplifying details.

6. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) provided information regarding their observations and involvement regarding V/ABDAL's collapse, the CPR efforts and his subsequent death. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) related she was the Assistant Sgt of the Guard (ASOG) in the RDF, stationed at the desk monitoring the video cameras on 03Jan07 when V/ABDAL collapsed. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) indicated she did not see V/ABDAL sitting down so she thought they were done and went out to let V/ABDAL back into the facility where (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) came up to her stating the detainee had "passed away", exhibits (10)-(13) pertain.

7. On 04Jan07, statements were obtained from the HET interrogator, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) USMC, and the Linguist (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) who were present when V/ABDAL collapsed. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) stated V/ABDAL never indicated he was in pain or feeling ill during the interrogation. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) indicated after approximately thirty minutes into the interrogation, V/ABDAL appeared to have fainted. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) reached out to steady him the (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) laid him on the ground on his left side while (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) went to get help. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) noted V/ABDAL was grinding his teeth at one point in the interrogation. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) stated V/ABDAL was "snoring" when he collapsed, exhibits (14)-(15) provide amplifying details.

8. On 03Jan07, a death scene examination was conducted of interview booth number four (4), located in the HET Compound, aboard the RDF, exhibit (16) pertains. It was determined through subsequent interviews that some medical items were cleaned up prior to the booth being secured for photographic documentation and examination. All items that were removed or moved within booth four prior to examination have been documented within the interviews of the RDF Marine personnel involved. On 04Jan07, a review of the two video tapes of the interrogation was conducted with no discrepancies noted from (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) statements, exhibit (17) pertains.

9. Exhibits (18)-(23) pertain to interviews conducted with Marines from the RDF who were involved in the rescue efforts of V/ABDAL as

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well as (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, who escorted V/ABDAL from his cell, to medical for a 'before interrogation' screening and then to booth four (4) for interrogation. Additionally, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, provided copies of V/ABDAL's Iraq identifications cards.

10. On 04Jan07, Detainee # (b)(6) V/ABDAL's cellmate, stated the last time he saw V/ABDAL, on 03Jan07, he appeared to be walking normally and did not appear to have any injuries or be sick other than a slightly blushed face, exhibit (24) pertains.

11. Between 03Jan07 and 05Jan07, interviews were conducted with Department of Defense Fire Department personnel regarding the response to V/ABDAL's collapse at the RDF and his subsequent death. It was determined that South Side Medical Clinic ambulance, which is approximately five minutes away from the RDF, does not respond to the RDF and did not respond during this emergency even when fire requested assistance after learning the estimated time of arrival for the Al Asad Surgical Hospital Ambulance would have been fifteen minutes or more. Therefore the decision made on scene was to package V/ABDAL and transport him to the hospital on a high back HMMWV due to the critical nature of his emergency, exhibits (25)-(27) pertain.

12. On 09Jan07, an autopsy was conducted on V/ABDAL at the Port Mortuary, Dover Air Force Base, Dover, Delaware. Preliminary and final results of V/ABDAL's cause and manner of death are pending toxicology and cardiovascular heart analysis. This investigation remains open pending autopsy results from the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.

**PARTICIPANT(S)**

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Special Agent, NCIS Al Asad, Iraq

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**RESULTS OF INITIAL RESPONSE**

1. On 03Jan07, at approximately 1810, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Staff Judge Advocate (SJA), Regimental Combat Team 7 (RCT-7), USMC, Camp Ripper, Al Asad, Iraq, advised a detainee (V/ABDAL) had died during an interrogation with a HUMINT Exploitation Team (HET) member. Upon arriving at Al Asad Surgical Hospital, Al Asad Air base, Iraq, Reporting Agent (RA) and Participant (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) were advised V/ABDAL was brought in unconscious and unresponsive with Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) in progress and subsequently pronounced dead.
2. RA was provided identifying information on V/ABDAL from (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, HET, as well as preliminary medical history on V/ABDAL, which included treatment for hypertension, an ulcer and proctitis. RA and Participant (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) briefly spoke on scene with hospital personnel and Regional Detention Facility (RDF) personnel who performed CPR and transported V/ABDAL to the hospital. RA spoke with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USN, DOB: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C), SSN (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) who advised upon V/ABDAL's arrival, CPR was in progress. Once in the emergency room V/ABDAL was intubated, provided two lines of fluid via IV, and given an amp of EPI. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) reported that several shocks were given to V/ABDAL as well as vasopressin prior to V/ABDAL being pronounced deceased. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated she had removed the endotracheal tube from V/ABDAL's mouth and was watching someone reinsert it (for training purpose) when RA had approached. RA requested no further items be removed and stopped the reinsertion of the endotracheal tube (ET). LCDR reported no teeth were broken upon insertion of the ET tube the first time or upon removal and she heard ribs "pop" during CPR.
3. RA took photographs of V/ABDAL's body at the hospital prior to transport to Mortuary Affairs however Participant (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) computer hard drive failed and all photograph documentation was lost. Attempts to recover the photographs forensically from the hard drive and memory sticks from the Sony Cyber shot digital camera produced negative results.

**PARTICIPANT(S)**

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Special Agent, NCIS Al Asad, Iraq

REPORTED BY: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) SPECIAL AGENT

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**Exhibit (1)**

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RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USN, MD

1. On 03Jan07, Reporting Agent (RA) responded to the Al Asad Surgical Hospital, Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, regarding a detainee (V/ABDAL) from the Regional Detention Facility (RDF) who was brought into the hospital unconscious and unresponsive with Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) in progress. Upon arrival at the hospital, RA was advised V/ABDAL had died. RA interviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6) MD, USN, regarding his knowledge of V/ABDAL's death.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) advised V/ABDAL arrived in the emergency room with Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) in progress (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related he was told V/ABDAL was found down, by the corpsman around 1740, cyanotic, with no spontaneous respirations. The corpsman gave rescue breaths and started CPR. The corpsman attempted to utilize an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) but was unable to attach the leads in order to get a reading due to V/ABDAL's hairy chest (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) reported he was told that when the Fire Department arrived they also attempted to use their AED and had the same issue. V/ABDAL arrived at the hospital with no Intravenous Lines (IV) inserted and no drugs had been provided during transport.

3. Upon arriving at the hospital, CPR had been reportedly in progress for approximately twelve (12) minutes (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related a 'quick look' indicated asystole, V/ABDAL was incubated, had an IV inserted, three shocks, a shot of epi, CPR for circulation, a shock, Lidocaine, CPR, shock, vasopressin, CPR, shock, asystole (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated V/ABDAL was pronounced dead at 1813 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) advised V/ABDAL's ribs did crack during CPR but no external injuries were noted. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated V/ABDAL died of cardiac arrest. No further information was obtained at this time.

**BIOGRAPHICAL DATA**

EMPLOYMENT: NAVAL HOSPITAL GUAM  
SSN: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)  
DOB:   
POB:

REPORTED BY: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) SPECIAL AGENT  
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Exhibit (2)



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## RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

1. On 03Jan07, Reporting Agent (RA) responded to the Al Asad Surgical Hospital, Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, regarding a detainee (V/ABDAL) from the regional Detention Facility (RDF) who was brought into the hospital unconscious and unresponsive with Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) in progress. Upon arrival at the hospital RA was advised V/ABDAL had died. RA interviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USN, Charlie Surgical Company, Al Asad Surgical Hospital, Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, regarding his knowledge of V/ABDAL's death.

2. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related he heard the call come into the hospital stating the patient was in cardiac arrest and ground medics with the Fire Department were approximately five (5) minutes out. According to (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) V/ABDAL arrived in a highback vehicle and CPR was in progress by (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) from the RDF. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related he switched out, with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) doing CPR chest compressions and heard as well as felt V/ABDAL's ribs crack during compression. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) advised (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) intubated V/ABDAL and Advance Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) protocol was begun. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated at one point he swapped out compressions with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) during the full code. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) recalled a round of Epi and a set of stacked shocks were given to V/ABDAL and the electrocardiogram (EKG) revealed an asystolic rhythm. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated the following personnel were present during the code: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C). (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) provided no further information at this time.

## BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

EMPLOYMENT: TWENTY NINE PALMS NAVAL HOSPITAL

SSN: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

DOB: [REDACTED]

POB: [REDACTED]

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Exhibit (3)



STATEMENT

Place : NCIS Al Asad, Iraq Office

Date : January 4, 2007

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) I, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) make the following free and voluntary statement to Special Agents (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) whom I know to be a Representative of the United States Naval Criminal Investigative Service. I make this statement of my own free will and without any threats made to me or promises extended. I fully understand that this statement is given concerning my knowledge of the death of detainee #8063 at Al Asad Airbase, Iraq. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) For purposes of identification, I am (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) year old (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) male, born in (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) on (b)(6),(b)(7)(C). My social security number is (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and I am a Hospital (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) 3<sup>rd</sup> Class in the United States Navy. The unit I am assigned to is 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing, MWSS 171, Iwakuni, Japan, currently augmenting the Regional Detention Facility (RDF), Al Asad, Iraq. I am a U.S. citizen with a home of record (b)(6),(b)(7)(C). I am scheduled to rotate out of Iraq in April, 2007. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) On 03Jan07, at about 1740, I was the Corpsman on duty at the RDF. An LCpl came in and told me to get to the Human Exploitation Team (HET) area because a detainee passed out. I did not think this was strange because it is normal for detainees to fake passing out. I grabbed my ammonia inhaler as I ran out. I entered interrogation Box 4 and saw one interrogator inside and a translator outside. I don't remember their names, but I recognized them as an interrogator and translator. The interrogator had a goldenish brown mustache, and was overweight. He was about six foot one inch tall, wearing a brown issue fleece cap, desert issue fleece pullover, digital camo pants, and boots. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) In Box 4 I saw a desk and three collapsible metal chairs. I also saw the detainee I did a medical check on earlier prior to him going into an interrogation. I did not remember his detainee number at the time. He was about 2-3 steps from the Box 4 door, on the right side of the floor, next to the wall. He was lying on his back with his hands cuffed in front of him and his head towards the door. He did not appear to have any obvious injuries or trauma such as cuts, bruises, blunt trauma or blood. He was wearing an orange suit with a white T-Shirt. I popped the ammonia inhaler and it had no effect. My first impression was that he looked cyanotic, or blue. His lips and face appeared blue. He was not sweaty, his eyes were open, he had agonal gasping and was unresponsive. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) I did a cardio thump with the hopes that this would help him start breathing again while at the same time I started yelling at him as I was leaning over his face and evaluating his breathing. I did not see his chest rise or notice any breathing out so I checked his radial pulse. I did not feel a pulse, however his eyes were still open and he still had agonal gasping. I asked (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) to remove his cuffs, but he did not have a key and had to run to the RDF to get one. As he left, I started CPR on the detainee. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)



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(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) returned with the cuff key and uncuffed the detainee. About 5 minutes after I started CPR on the detainee, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) came into the Box to assist. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) mostly assisted by reminding me to check for pulse and monitor how I was doing CPR. About a minute after (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) came into the Box, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) came in. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) called for (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and started making arrangements for more help and transportation. About 2-3 minutes after (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) arrived, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) came into the Box with an Automated Electronic Defibrillator (AED). (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) attached the AED to the detainee, however it would not analyze unless direct pressure was put on the pads. I think this was because the detainee had a hairy chest. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) After we tried using the AED, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) took over rescue breathing and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) took over doing compressions. I ran to the medical office supply closet to get IV equipment and when I got back to the box the firefighters had just arrived. I was out of the box for no more than 3 minutes getting IV equipment. The firefighters had their own AED and attached it to the detainee, however the AED had the same problem, it would attach, but not analyze. The firefighter chief attempted to get the ambulance on the radio, but the South Side Ambulance would not take him. I heard later on in the hospital that the Ambulance would not come because it was out of their jurisdiction. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) After the firefighter chief called about the ambulance I started doing CPR again with GySgt. I don't remember his last name, but I learned later at the hospital that his first name is (b)(6). After we started CPR I heard the firefighter chief asking if we had a hardback vehicle, then I heard someone on the firefighter crew say, "fuck it" and they decided to transport the detainee in a high back HMMWV. I did compressions during the detainee transport and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) did the rescue breathing. We continued CPR on the detainee until he was inside the hospital emergency room and he was being hooked up to the monitors. At this time the Dr's in the hospital took over and I broke off. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) I have been a Corpsman in the U.S. Navy for 5 years. I have seen this type of thing at least 50 times. Most of the time, about 75%, the people survive. From my experience this type of thing is usually a cardiac arrest or heart attack. I believe this was a cardiac arrest. I know he was taking heart medication. After reviewing the detainee's medical file, it showed he was taking Captopril for hypertension, Zantac for ulcers and Cipro for prostatitis. When the detainee arrived at the RDF, he stated he suffered from hypertension and ulcers. While at the RDF he had his blood pressure checked daily in the morning and received his medication twice a day. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) When a detainee arrives at the RDF they are processed through medical. They strip down and are checked for scars, marks and any injuries. We take their weight, height and vital signs, minus their temperature. They are asked if they have any drug allergies, chronic illnesses and any medications they are taking for the illness. They are asked if they smoke, how often and for how long. The detainee said he had chronic illnesses and he did not arrive with his medication, so the military provided him with medication. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) would decide what medication and how much a detainee would receive. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)



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(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) When a detainee goes in or out of the RDF they go through medical. This process is recorded in a computer log that is located at the desk I work at in the RDF medical office. When a detainee is interrogated there is a camera in the Box where it occurs. It is recorded on a VCR at the Sergeant of the Guards desk in the RDF. There is no audio to the recording (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

This statement, consisting of this page and 2 other page(s) was typed for me by (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) as we discussed its contents. I have read and understand the above statement. I have been given the opportunity to make any changes or corrections I desire to make and have placed my initials over the changes or corrections. This statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature

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

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of January in the year 2007 at

NCIS Al Asad, Iraq Office

Witnessed:

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

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28JAN07

CONTROL: 03JAN07-24IZ-0002-7HMA

V/ABDAL, AHMAD KHALAF /CIVILIAN  
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RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) AND (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

1. On 03Jan07, Reporting Agent (RA) responded to the Al Asad Surgical Hospital, Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, regarding a detainee (V/ABDAL) from the Regional Detention Facility who was brought into the hospital unconscious and unresponsive with Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) in progress. Upon arrival at the hospital, RA was advised V/ABDAL had died. RA interviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (SSN: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (SSN: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)) from Golf Battery, 3/14 Task Force Military Police, Regional Detention Facility (RDF) regarding their knowledge of V/ABDAL's death.

2. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) related they heard the call go out over the radio requesting medical assistance. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) advised he called for an ambulance. Both (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) reported they watched (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) from the RDF, perform CPR while they moved V/ABDAL into the HMWV. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) assisted in the transported of V/ABDAL in the HMWV due to the fact they were advised an ambulance would take approximately fifteen (15) minutes. V/ABDAL was pronounced dead at the hospital. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) provided no further information at this time.

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

1. On 03Jan07, Reporting Agent (RA) responded to the Al Asad Surgical Hospital, Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, regarding a detainee (V/ABDAL), from the Regional Detention Facility (RDF), who was brought into the hospital unconscious and unresponsive with Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) in progress. Upon arrival at the hospital, RA was advised V/ABDAL had died. Subsequently, RA interviewed (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b) 2nd HUMINT Company, HUMINT Exploitation Team (HET) 10, RDF, Al Asad, Iraq, regarding his knowledge of V/ABDAL's death.

2. (b)(6),(b) advised that on his way to chow he saw (b)(6),(b)(7) USMC, Commanding Officer (CO), RDF, and (b)(6),(b)(7) USMC, HET Officer in Charge (OIC), RDF, and was advised that someone was down in a HET booth. (b)(6),(b) stated upon arriving at booth four (4) he saw (b)(6),(b) the interpreter (Terp), (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated VEST was doing chest compressions on a detainee (b)(6),(b)(7) described the detainee as lying face up on his back next to the wall near the entrance of the box and located on the left side of (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) explain when he first arrived it appeared to him the body was slightly up against the wall then the detainee was moved to a completely flat position (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) was doing chest compressions and (b)(6),(b) was doing the breathing. According to (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) the detainee was unresponsive and his eyes were half open and shut at the same time. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated he got (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) out of the box and asked him what happened once he was outside.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) reportedly stated the detainee just passed out and fell over. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) advised at one point he jumped into the box to help and ended up moving the cement block, which was near the detainee's feet, out of the way. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) recalled people running in with an oxygen bottle and that the detainee's handcuffs were removed. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated the handcuffs were metal and pulled through the metal ring on the leather belt. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) stated they brought in the machine (NFI) and attempted to attach the pads to the detainee's chest. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) explained the detainee had a very hairy chest and the pads would not attach correctly and they attempted to reposition them (the pads). Around this time (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) told everyone to clear the box. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) advised he asked if the CPR team needed a break and he switched out with (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and did chest compressions. The fire department arrived and attempted to use their own machine (automatic external defibrillator) on the detainee but they were also unsuccessful. The detainee was moved to the doorway and placed on a stretcher and then moved into a high back HMMWV. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) indicated there were no ambulances available for some reason. The detainee was moved into the vehicle feet first and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) was strattling him doing CPR during movement and transport to the hospital.

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4. RA asked (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) went by [redacted] and he advised that he did not know but there is another Marine (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) who does go by (b)(6). Upon review of the death scene with [redacted] RA asked him about the water bottle and orange located on the table in the box. (b)(6),(b)(7) indicated he did not know who put them there and it is not usual practice to have food in the booth (b)(6),(b)(7) reported detainees are brought to the booths/box (b)(2) but he does not recall where (b)(2) were. On 04Jan07, RA asked (b)(6),(b)(7) if he remembered moving any other items within the box other than the cement block and he advised "no". RA specifically asked if (b)(6),(b)(7) had heard if the table was moved and he stated he had not heard that. (b)(6),(b)(7) drew a picture of the box to the best of his knowledge, enclosure (A) pertains. No further information was obtained at this time.

## ENCLOSURE(S)

(A) Picture drawn by (b)(6),(b)(7) of box four/04Jan07

## BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

EMPLOYMENT: 2ND HUMINT COMPANY, CAMP LEJEUNE, NC, HET 10, RDF, AL

ASAD, IRAQ

SSN: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

DOB: [redacted]

POB: [redacted]

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## REVIEW OF MORTUARY AFFAIRS DOCUMENTATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF V/ABDAL

1. On 03Jan07, Reporting Agent (RA) reported to Mortuary Affairs, Al Asad, Iraq, to photograph V/ABDAL and obtain documentation of the incident. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, provided RA with copies of V/ABDAL's record of personal effects and record of identification to include two (2) photographs; one of V/ABDAL's face and one of his upper body, Enclosure (A) pertains. Additionally (b)(6),(b)(7) provided a copy of V/ABDAL's medical paperwork, Enclosure (B) pertains.

2. V/ABDAL appeared to be an older white male. His chest and abdomen were exposed. There were no apparent injuries, marks or bruises RA could identify on his head, upper body, lower body or back. He had two IV's, one in each arm, located in what appeared to be the antecubicle (AC) vein.

3. Photographs were taken of the body of V/ABDAL however, due to hard drive failure on RA's computer, all photographs have been lost. Attempts to recover the photographs, to include a forensic analysis of the defective hard drive where the photographs were stored and memory sticks used to photograph the body, were unsuccessful.

## ENCLOSURE(S)

- (A) Records of Personal Effects and Identification of V/ABDAL/03Jan07
- (B) Medical Paperwork of V/ABDAL/03Jan07

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