

10 May 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Procedure 15 Interview of [REDACTED]

On 10 May 2004, MG George R. Fay and [REDACTED] interviewed Ms [REDACTED]. Due to the time constraint, the statement was written after the interview was completed and based on answers [REDACTED] gave to questions asked of her. The statement below is currently being reviewed by [REDACTED] in Iraq. She was on leave and had not had a chance to review it. Once she signs it, it will be sent to our office for record.

I arrived at Abu Ghraib in mid December. I was assigned as a screener, but for four weeks, I worked in the Hard Site with interrogators. When I first arrived, we were told we needed to report any abuse and that if we did not report it, we were just as guilty. The CHIEF took us around the area and gave us a tour of the facilities. In reference to any detainee abuse, I know the following. I heard that a soldier took a female detainee and took her shirt off. The linguist did not report it and they both got charged. I never witnessed the use of dogs during interrogations nor did I witness any detainee abuse. I did not witness any detainees wearing women underwear. One day during a screening, one of the detainees was stripped of all his clothes. The detainee was in one of the rooms. For about 15 minutes, no one touched him. There was a MP female who worked during the in-processing of detainees. The female would hit the detainee on his legs to make him open his legs. She would first hit his left leg and then his right until he fell down. He was then pulled up and pushed to the wall. The MPs were rough and having a female searching male is not right because that is against their religion. There were many detainees who came in abuse. While we were screening the detainees, they would ask us, "Are they going to beat us here too?" In the medical facility, they would start talking. Some would have broken shoulders, others came in on crutches. They do not know who beat them. They said they were beat at ASAMIYA PALACE. The detainees said that even the linguist beat them. They didn't know if Americans were involved. They were abused with cigarette burns, and electric shocks. The doctor documented the bruises. I would say there were about 90 incidents that took place in ASAMIYA PALACE. Some detainees would say they were beat up by Iraqis. [REDACTED] name was mentioned a lot by detainees. He was accused of bribing people for money and taking revenge on them. One detainee stated that [REDACTED] would stick bottles up their rectum. The detainee couldn't sit down. This occurred at ASAMIYA PALACE. There was also a detainee who was handicap and was beat up very bad. [REDACTED] was a BA'ATH Party member who would gather people up. He would arrest the people and turn them over to coalition forces. The Iraqis said that he was killed by the Iraqis and his body was hung. They say they have no more fear of him. A detainee said he was tortured

for 7 days at night at the palace. They submitted two sworn statements. I heard this January or February time frame. There was a group that had been taken to the palace. They were two sisters, two brothers, and two uncles. One of the ladies does not want to talk about what happened to her. There was a detainee who said that he was given cold showers and was under sleep management in the isolation area. The MPs were there and they took orders to do it. The doctors didn't do anything. I checked into this and was told that cold showers were not abusive. The new unit that has taken over is much better and more organized. I spoke to every single woman and they said they spoke very highly of the soldiers. They would be taken out to get some sun. They were treated like brothers. Even detainees who are leaving say there were not abused here.



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