

SWORN STATEMENT

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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 2. DATE (YYYYMMDD)
 2004/05/06
 3. TIME
 4. FILE NUMBER
 5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME
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 7. GRADE/STATUS
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8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS
 CJTF-7, BAGHDAD, IRAQ

9. I WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

I was assigned to Abu Ghraib on 12 September 2004 as the IPW Platoon Leader for B/325 MI. My duties, along with the other seven individuals in my platoon, were to help run operations in the Joint Interrogation Debriefing Center. When I arrived, there were elements of the 510th MI BN already at Abu Ghraib. The Company Commander was [redacted] and the first sergeant was [redacted]. [redacted] was the Joint Interrogation Debriefing Center OIC. The 72nd MP Co was on site and under the command and control of the 800th MP BDE. My understanding was that the Forward Operating Base at Abu Ghraib was the responsibility of the MP assets. The first day we arrived was kind of hectic. We had to set up our billeting area, life support and start developing a work schedule for all my folks. About a day after I arrived, 20 more MI personnel arrived. These newly arrived personnel were forming the Tiger Teams (1 x Interrogator, 1 x Analyst, 1 x Translator). After three to four days on the job, they began interrogation operations. My folks did not interrogate they stayed to work in the operations section. [redacted] knew why we were there and understood our mission. I began scrutinizing the existing requirements and detainees of interest. We continued to refine our role and responsibilities well into February when I finally departed. The training began around three days after we arrived around 17-18 September. The newly arrived personnel were trained on interrogation operations. They were told and shown where detainees were being held and who was segregated and why. They were thought questions and answers techniques as well. Before interrogation operations began, we did not get the Interrogation Rules of Engagement but my team had just arrived from Camp Cropper and they were aware of the IROE. There was no doubt in my mind that my team knew what the rules were. Once we received the IROEs, they were no different than what we had learned at the school or what the interrogation Field Manual stated. I believe we would discuss the Geneva Convention during normal conversation. Although we did not get additional Geneva Convention training, my team was well aware of due to the schooling they had received. Around the same time the 20 additional MI personnel arrived. [redacted] was the senior MI officer in operations until [redacted] arrival (around 13-14 September). [redacted] co-located the operations duties. [redacted] showed up around the 16th of September to work in JIDC operations. He was the one who greeted everyone when they arrived. I believe he was in charge of Force Protection but it wasn't really clear. At one point I thought he was governing our Operations section. He was in charge of Administrative support to operations and not interrogations. He would go to the Hard Site with [redacted] myself or his staff. I did go to him for assistance a handful of times on detainee not of MI issues (criminal issues). There were no hard lines or specifics as to what the unit's organization was. Some more personnel from 323rd joined us 10 days later. COL PAPPAS visited the site regularly, but he did not live there. Once COL PAPPAS arrived on camp I didn't see too many changes. The communications with the MPs was not good at the beginning. Once COL PAPPAS became the FOB Commander, things did change some. The Entry Control Point to the Hard Site was better tracked. The movement of detainees was smoother. The MPs were more responsive to our needs and requests. Communications with the MPs was better. I was never aware, or witness any detainee physical abuse or inappropriate behavior of interrogation techniques, any photos or videos. A couple of times I was asked to observe an interrogation which possibly fell on the border line. I observed it and no inappropriate techniques materialized. I heard of an unauthorized interrogation by three interrogators. The interrogators took a female detainee and became fresh with her. I didn't hear what they did. The interrogators were pulled off interrogations. I do not know what punishment they received. Another time [redacted] had a detainee strip off his clothing. [redacted] was also with her. They were pulled off interrogations. I believe she was counseled by her Team Leader [redacted] and given additional training on IROE. They were not my interrogators. In mid November, a group from GTMO came to instruct us on the GTMO role and worked amongst our ranks. Ghost detainees are those detainees who arrive to the JIDC and are not processed but held over for Other Government Agencies or TF-121. They are not given an ISN until their status is identified. When I first arrived, there was no memorandum of agreement as to what the procedures were. Detainees were being dropped off without anyone knowing. Once COL PAPPAS arrived on the ground, he met with [redacted] and a memorandum was agreed upon all parties. This occurred sometime before Christmas. [redacted] kept a file on these ghost detainees. Once they were turned over to us. Their paperwork followed a few days later. We were frequently hit with mortars but we were so short of personnel to get roving patrols started. I knew that there were Q-36 in country and in the

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area but they were never deployed to our area. COL PAPPAS brought in the 165th MI BN who has LRSD to assist with the guarding of towers. There was a Scout company from the 82nd when we arrived. I really do not know why we were never reinforced. I know that the soldiers often voiced their concern of our location and the mortar attacks. I know who [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are because they were part of a Tiger Team. They are part of the 325th and arrived after I did. They did not work for [REDACTED] then reviews photos and identified [REDACTED]

Q. Do you have anything else to add to this statement?

A. No.

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I, _____, HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1, AND ENDS ON PAGE 2. I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE ENTIRE STATEMENT MADE BY ME. THE STATEMENT IS TRUE. I HAVE INITIALED ALL CORRECTIONS AND HAVE INITIALED THE BOTTOM OF EACH PAGE CONTAINING THE STATEMENT. I HAVE MADE THIS STATEMENT FREELY WITHOUT HOPE OF BENEFIT OR REWARD, WITHOUT THREAT OF PUNISHMENT, AND WITHOUT COERCION, UNLAWFUL INFLUENCE, OR UNLAWFUL INDUCEMENT.

(Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 6TH day of MAY, 2004
at CAMP VICTORY, BAGHDAD, IRAQ

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(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

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