

# SWORN STATEMENT

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## PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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| 5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME<br>[REDACTED] | 6. SSN<br>[REDACTED]             | 7. GRADE/STATUS<br>CPT |                |

8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS  
372ND MILITARY POLICE COMPANY, CUMBERLAND, MD (DEPLOYED TO IRAQ)

9. I, [REDACTED], WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

I arrived to Bu Ghraib on 15 October 2003. My role was 372nd MP Co Commander. When I arrived [REDACTED] was in charge of the 320th MP Bn. I believed [REDACTED] was in charge of the MI folks. He was involved in everything I would go to him when I needed something done. He made things happen. It wasn't until later that I found out [REDACTED] was actually in charge. He wasn't approachable. I began a Relief in Place with the previous Company Commander, [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] gave me a tour of Abu Ghraib. He took me to the Hard Site in particular, WING 1. He told me that Wing 1 belonged to the MI unit. The MPs controlled access to the wing. They had the keys and would let people in and out. During one of my visits with [REDACTED] I was shocked when I noticed that the detainees in Wing 1 were naked. There was one with women's underwear. I questioned that and [REDACTED] told me that the MI folks told him that was an MI procedure. I then asked [REDACTED] the previous company commander and he stated that was a common practice by MI. I did think there was something wrong, but I would go to Wing 1 with MI folks [REDACTED] and some folks from Other Organization Agencies (OGA) so I just figured they knew what their procedures were and that this was an acceptable practice. The visits were at all hours not just during one part of the day. They saw what I saw. I never did question this to any MI Person. Maybe I should have looked into it. Both [REDACTED] and I did ask [REDACTED] for the MI Rules of Engagement but I never received them. There was some confusion as to who was who. We had MI personnel without nametags; there were folks in civilian clothes, detainees, and ghost detainees. It was very frustrating. Things got a little better after the International Community Red Cross (ICRC) came to visit for the second time. Sometime after that, they stopped having naked detainees. This occurred sometime in December. I never saw or had knowledge of any detainee abuse by MI personnel except for one day when I was down at Wing 1. One of the interrogators [REDACTED] (tall, big guy) an MI person, took a detainee to a cell. While he was getting him into the cell, he pushed the prisoner into the cell by giving him a push with his foot. It wasn't real hard. I went up to him and told him to stop that. There was no other abuse by MI personnel that I was aware of. I have no knowledge of any photos or videos before the investigation began. The only time I heard of dogs used was after the shooting. I never saw or heard of MI using dogs during their interrogations. We used to get mortar attacks a few times a week. That was a big issue with soldiers because nothing was really being done. It caused a big morale issue. We recommended placing sandbags around the holding areas but were told the detainees could hide behind them. We also requested bunkers to be placed in the holding area but was told that couldn't be done.

Q. Do you have anything else to add to this statement? Yes. One of the main focuses while I was there was the construction of the prison. I had weekly visits and corresponded through email with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of the CPA. I gave morning reports to the 320th BN of the status of the construction and possible completion dates of projects. There was a huge push to open up the rest of the prison because of over crowding in the camps. Another area I was focused on was supplies for the prison. I worked closely with the Iraqi supply person and [REDACTED] at the prison. The Coalition Provisional Authority (CPA) had the primary responsibility for all supplies at the prison. There were many times that we had no supplies to include jump-suits worn by the inmates. Often when we did get a supply, it was of very few quantities and sizes. This was a major issue early on and after a few months we were able to maintain some sort of stock. Often because of the lack of supplies many inmates were forced to wear ladies underwear or articles of clothing either too large or too small. I also know that we had to give the females some male items also. The command climate was not good at ABU [REDACTED] was a moral commander and never gave me an order or asked me to do anything that was unprofessional. [REDACTED] was in my opinion afraid of BG KARPINSKI and I even told him a few times that I would try and answer her questions for him the best I could. I only did this because she liked to humiliate him or belittle him when she could. So as we walked around the prison, I tried to answer as often as I could for him. Also, I had little to no respect for [REDACTED] he made comments regarding the reserves and I feel he was extremely prejudice. I saw him on several occasions take issue with me and he showed no respect to anyone. I witnessed him walk by a NCO who saluted him and [REDACTED] blew him completely off. The NCO was very upset and said "If you want respect sir, it goes both ways!" I have recently seen BG KARPINSKI on TV. I totally disagree with several of her statements. First off, how can anyone say the MP's are not responsible? I take full responsibility for my seven soldiers and believe they are the main problem not the [REDACTED]

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STATEMENT OF [REDACTED]

TAKEN AT CAMP VICTORY

DATED 2004/05/03

9. STATEMENT (Continued)

The last thing I would like to say is BG KARPINSKI has been a total disappointment. She does not have her facts straight and the only time we saw her was when the media or a VIP was present. She also made [REDACTED] her scapegoat and blamed everything on him. Her staff was the most incompetent and I never knew who the SGM was.

Q. Is there anything else you would like to add to this statement?

A. No.

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Nothing

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I, [REDACTED], 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.

[REDACTED]  
(Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 3 day of MAY, 2004 at CAMP VICTORY, BAGHDAD, IRAQ

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

[REDACTED]  
(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

[REDACTED]  
(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

UCMJ, ARTICLE 136

(Authority To Administer Oaths)

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