

SWORN STATEMENT

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

AUTHORITY: Title 10 USC Section 301; Title 5 USC Section 2951; E.O. 9397 dated November 22, 1943 (SSN)
PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: To provide commanders and law enforcement officials with means by which information may be accurately
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1. LOCATION Abu Ghraib Prison, Iraq APO AE 09335	2. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 2003/09/21	3. TIME 0100	4. FILE NUMBER
5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME	6. SSN	7. GRADE/STATUS SFC/E-7	
8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS 229th Military Police Company			

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

On 20 Sep 03 at approx. 2145 a mortar attack was received in the vicinity of Camp Vigilant. At approx 2230 the IRF (Internal Reaction Force) was called to the 320th BN TOC and advised that a mortar had landed in the MI BN tent and there were approx. 15 wounded that were being medivac. We were told to stand by there and wait for further. Shortly thereafter we were told to go back to our living quarters and stand by to be called again. About 2330 we were called to respond to the ECP (entry control point). Once arriving we were told that the QRF was outside the wire attempting to stop a vehicle which they believed may be involved with the attack. We were told to stand fast and be prepared to be their backup should the need arise. They soon stopped the vehicle and transported it back to the ECP with the 2 occupants a male and female. Once arriving the vehicle was searched and the two in custody were taken over to the visitor tent where we responded and watched over the two. A few minutes later at approx. 0030 21 Sep 03 a HMMWV pulled up with approx. 10 soldiers and came over to us. The first soldier wearing a desert camo flak jacket came up to the male prisoner and began screaming at him telling him eyes down and asking "what the fuck are you looking at". He then grabbed him by the back of the head and pushed it down into the dirt. [REDACTED] told him that was unnecessary and the soldier looked at him and told him "that he was the professional at this he knew what he was doing". [REDACTED] said that doesn't look to professional. I then said that I had never been taught that when I went through interrogator school. At this point another soldier (a very large stocky soldier) came over and started yelling at him to get up. He grabbed him and yanked him up off the ground and secured his arms and began walking him back towards the vehicle. He continued screaming and forcefully moving towards the truck. As he passed me I told him to "at ease and calm down". He continued past me to the back of the truck. Once reaching the back of the truck he began striking the prisoner in the back of the head and back. He continued screaming at him to get into the truck. The soldier then forcefully slammed the prisoner into the bed of the truck. Once the prisoner was in the bed of the truck he was struck a few more times and told to put a mask on. When the prisoner turned towards the back of the truck it appeared that he was bleeding from the lip, but I was unsure do to the poor lighting. At this point I asked the NCOIC what unit he was from and he told me the 519th MI. I then realized that these were soldiers from the unit that had been attacked. At this point the vehicle left and the IRF secured back to our living area. After arriving back in our area [REDACTED] was called by [REDACTED] and asked that both he and I responded to the TOC. Once arriving we introduced to [REDACTED] who is the 1SG of the MI group. He told us that this had never happened and that had been doing these operations for 14 months in Afghanistan and Iraq. He continued to apologize and remind us that he had people that were wounded and everyone was upset. [REDACTED] told us that [REDACTED] had been told and she was very upset over the incident. We explained to them that during our many years of law enforcement that you never send a suspect back to a group of officers that were directly effected by an incident because you don't know what they might do and that this case was exactly the same. We were told by the 1SG that they would handle it and we advised that we were going to forward statements of the incident as well. [REDACTED] advised that he would forward that paperwork to the BN CDR so that action could be taken. [REDACTED] and I then responded back to the IRF barracks where we advised the team to complete statements of the incident and we advised them of what the 1SG had told us.

-----End of Statement-----

10. EXHIBIT	11. INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT	PAGE 1 OF 2 PAGES
ADDITIONAL PAGES MUST CONTAIN THE HEADING "STATEMENT" TAKEN AT _____ DATED _____		
THE BOTTOM OF EACH ADDITIONAL PAGE MUST BEAR THE INITIALS OF THE PERSON MAKING THE STATEMENT, AND PAGE NUMBER MUST BE BE INDICATED		

9. STATEMENT (Continued)
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AFFIDAVIT

I, [REDACTED], HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1, AND ENDS ON PAGE 1. 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:

[REDACTED]
ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 10 day of February, 2004.

[REDACTED]
(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

[REDACTED]
Typed Name of Person Administering Oath

Act 136(S)(4) WLS
(Authority To Administer Oaths)

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INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT [REDACTED]