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WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

I arrived to Abu Ghraib sometime in September. My MOS is 96B but my duty was to establish the SIPR and High side connectivity for the interrogators (System Administrator and Trojan SPIRIT Operator). When I first arrived there were only a couple of computers. This was a few days after the mortar attack that brought me there (to replace those wounded), after which we started receiving a lot of computers. Our tasks were to set up the computers with the Trojan Spirit connectivity. We would back up the database (on which were photos that were not used for the detainee files that I had me delete as appointed local S-2). I never saw any photos of detainees other than those for the detainee folders. I was shocked to learn that everyone was operating out of the tents and they were getting hit with mortars all the time before I got there. After the big mortar attack where we lost some soldiers, we moved operations into the buildings. I did not receive any training when I arrived at Abu Ghraib (other than system administration from my experienced soldier). I did not get trained on the Interrogation Rules of Engagement, the Geneva Convention, what the dos and don'ts of the MPs were. The focus on the training was on the Tiger Teams at one point in November. Even after CID began their investigation the focus was still on the Tiger Teams. I did feel comfortable that if I saw something I would report it. I never saw any detainee abuse, photos or videos of detainees or the use of dogs for interrogations. We were told not to take photos. I sat in on an interrogation once with A/302nd MI. was brought to Abu Ghraib to interrogate a General. When he arrived, he was told by some interrogators (don't know who) that the detainee was incapable of conducting an interview because they had just interrogated him for 10 hours and they stripped him naked, got him wet and cold and put him in the back of a truck. He was told he would see his son and that is the interrogation that I and I conducted. was very calm and asked direct questions. The boy looked scared. He was 16 years old. I told the interrogators the boy should not be there because he was young and was scared of the older men in the camp. I was told that the youngest age in the camp was 16 and therefore he belonged there. I went to the Hard Site one time because I was taken there to see what it looked like. What I saw was MPs constantly yelling at detainees. They were making one guy say his name over and over and over again. If he lowered his voice, they would scream at him. I heard that two interrogators from Fort Bragg had gotten drunk and went to the prison to take out a female prisoner and take their shirt off. The MP on duty saw it, reported the incident and CID began an investigation. The individuals were from the 82nd (analyst/interrogator) told me that dogs were being used to scare detainees. She said that the detainee had a hood over his head and that one of the MPs would bark like a dog to scare the detainee. The detainee got scared and ran into his cell. thought it was funny. This incident happened in November or December. She told me in December. also told me that two detainees who had raped a boy (the location of rape unknown) were made to strip down naked and handcuffed in certain contorted positions. They did this themselves. This was told to me in the T-SCIF. They stated the guy got what he deserved. When I returned from leave, was telling a story while in the chow hall. He was telling his friends (do not know who they were) about Abu Ghraib and how crazy it was. He said that MPs were using detainees as practice dummies. They would hit the detainees as practice shots. They would apply strikes to their necks. And knock them out. One detainee was so scared. The MPs held his head and told the detainee it would be all right and then they would do the same thing to the detainee. The detainee would plead for mercy. They all thought it was funny. When the CGS team arrived at Abu Ghraib, they were given a tour of Tier 1 A and B. While they were there, the MI folks were told by MPs that they (MI) could do whatever they wanted with the detainees. They participated in a PT session where they would yell at the detainees. told me this. She said she was disturbed by this and thought this might corrupt the MI folks. There was an older woman (she is here in Germany) worked in the out-processing of the Interrogations Control Element (ICE). She has red hair and is in the Army. Her story is that there was no accurate account of detainees being processed and that detainees were being lost in the system (some who didn't belong there in the first place). Detainees were being held too long and not being released. When the ICRC came to visit, gathered all the folks in the ICE, about 20-30 folks and told us not to worry about the ICRC concerns because the complaints were about food and general conditions. He said detainees had it better at Abu Ghraib now than when they were under SADAM HUSSEIN as there plus believe. I expressed to that some of the things I heard and potential problems. The sentiment I got from them

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was acceptable. This happened after I came back from leave in January. [REDACTED] told me they had the detainees naked while interrogating them and made them put on pink underwear. They would tell the MPs to do this. They told me that was well within their authorization. I was also told about [REDACTED] incident. Nothing was ever done it was kept hush - hush. [REDACTED] was relieved because he was too harsh with interrogations. (That is what I heard). [REDACTED] told me that one detainee was so embarrassed to be naked that he made a loin out of MRE bags. They took the MRE bags away from him. I did not report the above incidents because I didn't think I would be listened to or what was being done, though personally offendable, was OK. What I was being told was seemingly well known because of all the involvement and discussions that went on. I was also not acquainted with the Interrogation Operations. I did not know who I could go to. Other times I have reported incidents, I met either retribution or no concern for what I had to say. During the war (Mar-Apr) I reported my OIC for several things he had said and done to me to IG. Instead of the truth being testified to by witnesses, it was meticulously covered up, and ended with me as "the bad guy" (even though the same Battalion commander, [REDACTED] who told me during his findings of the investigation that it was all in my head, told me the day after that he spoke with others and that indeed I was correct but that he was just glad it was over). Also, at Abu Ghuraib I reported to my Brigade S-2 a laptop that I discovered contained a database of SECRET/NOFORN from Afghanistan on it that had been connected to the world wide web (unclassified) for undetermined amount of months, but it was treated as nothing, and the only thing done in this very potentially compromising situation was the laptop being disconnected and placed in the T-SCIF. Also, I had a promotable soldier who just days after being in the same room as alcohol (neither possessing nor consuming) was flagged, told he would get an article 15, and that he would have to go to a removal board (when the situation was unclear). When I went to higher about how ridiculous this was, I was told among other things that I was also to blame. After defending him, the flag was lifted, the article 15 not to happen, but he did in fact go to this removal board, and despite his innocence had his status removed. After getting back from Iraq, me and the soldier went to JAG who directed us to EO who directed us to IG, who then told us they needed a PROPONDERANCE of evidence to do anything (something I was also told during my IG complaint with [REDACTED] my OIC during the war when I was Targeting NCOIC), and that in reality if someone of higher authority has in for me I am screwed because as long as they mask their actions through regulations, they are untouchable.

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

A. No.

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(Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 11th day of MAY 2004 at DARMSTADT, GERMANY

(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

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