

SWORN STATEMENT

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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1. LOCATION
CAMP VICTORY, BAGHDAD, IRAQ

2. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 2004/05/04

3. TIME 1204

4. FILE NUMBER

5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME

6. SSN

7. GRADE/STATUS
SFC

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 at Abu Ghraib on 1 October 2003. I was the platoon sergeant for 4th platoon that was part of the 372nd MP Co. When we first arrived to Abu Ghraib, our focus was to get the logistical Support Area up. Our living area had been destroyed. We also conducted a right seat ride with the 72nd MP CO. I didn't have any involvement with MI personnel until I became the Hard Site NCOIC. I interacted with the MI personnel reference detainees. The MI personnel would tell us what detainee number they wanted. We would ask them if they wanted the detainee handcuffed in the front, back or not at all. Did we need to place a sand bag over their heads when we took them out? The reason for the sand bag we were told was to prevent detainees from seeing who was coming in and out and who was being held. MI did not tell us what treatment was acceptable. A month into the job, I met with [REDACTED]. I asked her what she expected the MPs from MI. She was going to get back with me with Rules but she went on leave and never returned. COL PAPPAS was in charge of the MI unit, but I dealt with [REDACTED] on any issues I might have had. He was the Liaison (not sure if he was the liaison officer) between the MPs and MI. I also went to [REDACTED]. Both [REDACTED] got things done. He would come to the Hard Site to check on detainees (juveniles, women, reporter) who were sort of considered under the witness protection to make sure they were being taken cared of. I never saw any MI personnel abuse a detainee in any way. I heard something about an MI person taking a female detainee to the wood shack where they interrogated personnel but I did not have the specifics and I do not remember who told me. This incident occurred before we took over the Hard Site during the 72nd MP Co's time. I have no knowledge or ever saw MI personnel use dogs during the interrogations. I don't know of any MI personnel taking photos or videos of any detainees. No one came directly to me about MI telling MP personnel to "soften up" or give "the treatment" to detainees but I heard rumors about it. I do not remember whom I heard that from. The only incident I know about is when Other Government Agency (OGA) personnel brought in a detainee who appeared to be beat up. The OGA personnel stated that [REDACTED]. Apparently this detainee was resisting arrest and was sitting on a pile of explosives. The detainee came in pretty beat up. The detainee was placed in the shower (where interrogations occurred). His hands were handcuffed to his back to the window. The window went about half way up to his back. The detainee died in the cell. An autopsy was conducted and it was confirmed that the detainee died due to a blood clog in his head. There was an investigation conducted by CID. The entire command knew about this incident. MI [REDACTED] OGA CID were all there and aware of the situation [REDACTED] name might be spelled different) is the one who knows about this event. There were detainees who were stripped to their underwear but that was their choice. If it were too hot, they would strip themselves down to their underwear. Once it got cold they would put on their clothes. When we took over, the only underclothes we were provided by CPA was women underwear. If detainees didn't have anything to wear, we would give them the women underwear to wear because that was the only thing we had available. We had a delivery of men's boxers arrive one time but only 100 were delivered for approximately 600 detainees. Other MPs who worked in the Hard Site and might know or have witnessed what happened down in the Solitary Wing are [REDACTED] A NCOIC night shift (after [REDACTED] accused transferred to road duty), [REDACTED] A NCOIC day shift, [REDACTED] NCOIC dayshift, [REDACTED] A/1B Guard dayshift, [REDACTED] A/1B Guard on Medical leave right now, [REDACTED] A/1B Guard has been REFRAD, [REDACTED] nightshift NCOIC when [REDACTED] was off. Unless specified MED or REFRAD, all other soldiers should be at Buwa Anaconda with the 372nd MP Co.

Q. Do you have anything else to add to this statement?
A. No.

End of Statement

10. EXHIBIT

11. INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT

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STATEMENT OF [REDACTED]

TAKEN AT CAMP VICTORY

DATED 2004/05/04

9 STATEMENT (Continued)

Nothing

Follows
[REDACTED]

AFFIDAVIT

[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 4th day of MAY, 2004
at CAMP VICTORY

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

[REDACTED]
(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

[REDACTED]
(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

UCMJ ARTICLE 136

[REDACTED]
(Authority To Administer Oaths)

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