

SWORN STATEMENT

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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1. LOCATION: Abu Ghraib, Iraq, APO AE 09335
2. DATE (YYYYMMDD): 2004/04/27
3. TIME: 1300
4. FILE NUMBER:
5. LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME:
6. SSN:
7. GRADE/STATUS: CIV
8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS: CACI, Abu Ghraib Correctional Facility, Abu Ghraib, Iraq, APO AE 09335

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

I was assigned to Abu Ghraib in early October 2003. When I first arrived to Abu Ghraib, I was given a pretty good orientation of Abu Ghraib. I was briefed the Interrogation Rules of Engagements (IROE) and we all signed the IROEs. I do not remember receiving any training or information on the Geneva Convention at the time of arrival. After the one day orientation, I conducted a one hour flight ride. One of the tactical HUMINT Teams had to depart and I was thrust to work. I felt a level of discomfort being thrown into interrogations immediately after my arrival and made a point of taking a senior level interrogator into the first several interrogations for observation. After the first seven CACI contractors arrived, the situation changed with thrusting personnel into the job. I really do not know who was in charge of the Abu Ghraib. I know that COL PAPPAS was in the area but I was not aware of his role or who was in charge. I knew that [redacted] was in charge of the Interrogation Control Element. It really wasn't an issue as to who was in charge overall until COL Pappas permanently relocated to Abu Ghraib. [redacted] who was at Abu Ghraib when I arrived, worked in the area but I did not know what his specific duties were. [redacted] thought he made a lot of things happen, but the JIDC warrants made things happen from an operational perspective in the ICE. Things were a mess when I first arrived. The living conditions were horrible, the morale was low, we worked long hours, we really didn't have enough support equipment like computers. In November, COL PAPPAS became the FOB Commander. I found out by word of mouth. I have witnessed a report of MI soldiers abusing detainees. Sometime in November, at 0100hrs, at Camp Vigilant, a detainee escorted by [redacted] was stripped down when being returned to Camp Vigilant and only had a blanket that was held in his hands. I noticed this as the detainee was being escorted from the HardSite to Camp Vigilant. I reported the incident and the commander took disciplinary action. I believe he received an article 15 but not sure what the outcome of the sworn statements that were provided. There was a time when I and the lead interrogator heard a suspicious sound coming from the detainees cell after the completion of an interrogation and the detainee was in positive control of the MP's. The lead interrogator and I confronted the MP's and they seemed very agitated for being questioned about what we had heard. I presented this to the chain of command. [redacted] who both work in the ICE/OPS. I found out there had been photos taken of detainees during the investigation conducted by CID. I don't know who specifically took the photos or who was responsible for the actions. I have never known of any MI personnel tell the MP's to "Soften up" a detainee. There was special treatment conducted this was sleep management or give them a shower on a regular basis due to poor hygiene standards. The approved sleep management program was provided to the MP's for implementation and the MP's were continuously reminded that they need to make sure that they adhere to these rules of engagement. The sleep management was approved by COL PAPPAS. The interrogation plan had to be approved by the ICE. Anything outside of the IROE had to be approved by COL PAPPAS and JAG and then sent up for approval to the general officer level. There was a time when dogs were used during an interrogations but it wasn't planned or requested. The MP's were inspecting the cells in the segregation area and the dogs were accompanying them and as a result of a detainee not liking the military working dogs, the detainee was asked a couple of questions and nothing amounted as a result and the MP's continued on with the cell inspection. I requested the use of dogs once for the special projects teams, but it was never approved and the interrogation never occurred. There were really no mutual rules of engagements for the MP's and MI and still do not know what the rules of engagement were for the MP's during that period of time.

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

End of Statement

10. EXHIBIT:
11. INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT:
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THE BOTTOM OF EACH ADDITIONAL PAGE MUST BEAR THE INITIALS OF THE PERSON MAKING THE STATEMENT, AND PAGE NUMBER MUST BE INDICATED.

STATEMENT OF [REDACTED]

TAKEN AT Abu Ghraib

DATED 27 APR 2004

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 27 day of April, 2004 at Abu Ghraib.

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

[REDACTED]  
(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

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(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)  
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(Authority To Administer Oaths)

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