

SWORN STATEMENT

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LOCATION Baghdad Correctional Facility, Abu Ghraib Iraq	DATE [REDACTED]	TIME 1535	FILE NUMBER
LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME [REDACTED]	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]		GRADE/STATUS SPC/AD Reserve

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want to make the following statement under oath:

I would like to make the following statement about things that I have participated in or witnessed while I have been stationed at Abu Ghraib correctional facility. Sometime about the end of Oct 03, I was on generated detail and [REDACTED] me by and asked me to come down to the hard site with him. He said that they had some new detainees come in, and wanted me to come bullshit with him. We got to where the detainees were at a holding cell, and I asked [REDACTED] he wanted me to escort one of them to the tier and he said go ahead. So I took one of the detainees down to the tier. After we got to the tier, they put the detainees in a pile on the floor. The detainees were tossed in the middle of the floor together. That is when [REDACTED] an across the room and lunged in the air and landed in the middle of where the detainees were. I believe this is when [REDACTED] to come in and "get him some". Meaning to come in and be apart of whatever was going to happen. I believe [REDACTED] an across the room a total of two times and landed in the middle of the pile of detainees. A couple of the detainees kind of made an AH sound as if this hurt them or caused them some type of pain when [REDACTED] would land on them. After [REDACTED] had done this [REDACTED] then stumped on either the fingers or toes of the detainees. When he stumped the detainees they were in pain, because the detainee would scream loudly. I know this happened to at least one detainee; maybe it was a second one as well. I know after [REDACTED] had done this, [REDACTED] told him that was enough, and [REDACTED] stopped, and that was when [REDACTED] left as well. Next [REDACTED] had the detainee's strip. [REDACTED] was the one who told them to strip in Arabic language. During this whole time the detainees had sandbags over their heads. The detainees did not want to take their civilian clothes or jumpsuits off, and were hesitant to strip. There may have been one or two that had a jumpsuit on. [REDACTED] would take one of the detainees aside, tell them to strip, and they would strip. After the detainee was stripped, [REDACTED] would put a sandbag over the head of the detainee, and he would have the detainee sit down. At one point after a couple of the detainees were stripped, and I do not know what provoked [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] knelt down to one of the detainees that was nude and had the sandbag over his head. [REDACTED] put the detainees head into a cradle position with [REDACTED] arm, and [REDACTED] punched the detainee with a lot of force, in the temple. [REDACTED] punched the detainee with a closed fist so hard in the temple that it knocked the detainee unconscious. I walked over to see if the detainee was still alive, I could tell that the detainee was unconscious, because his eyes were closed and he was not moving, but I could see his chest rise and fall, so I knew he was still alive. [REDACTED] kicked on him as well once or twice to make sure he was still alive as well. I do not recall [REDACTED] saying anything. I do remember [REDACTED] saying, "Damn that hurt", referring to [REDACTED] hurting his hand when he punched the detainee. After about two minutes the detainee moved for the first time, like he was coming to. After [REDACTED] had done this he went over to the pile of detainees that were still clothed and he put his knees on them and had his picture taken. I took this photo. [REDACTED] about this point struck one of the detainees in the chest with a closed fist. The detainee was standing in front of [REDACTED] and for no reason [REDACTED] punched the detainee in the chest. The detainee took a real deep breath and kind of squatted down. The detainee said he could not breath. They called for a medic to come down, to try and get the detainee to breath right. [REDACTED] said he thought he put the detainee in cardiac arrest. I also tried to show the detainee how to breathe slowly. It was if

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