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Sec Def and VCJCS conducted press briefing today. Obviously a huge topic was detainee abuse. In fact, the Army Vice Chief of Staff briefed both houses of Congress today and the Sec Def just said that he would be there in the press room later. Based on the Sec Def press briefing, the following question for which we need to develop a response that was referred from the podium elsewhere:

Q. Why was the report classified SECRET NOFORN? (Sec Def said you would have to ask the originator; VCJCS said the entire report would be classified at the highest level of any information in the document. Also see note below about reporters' access to Executive Summary.)

FYI --

Based on the past two days of briefings, both the CG's and DCG's names are being used extensively.

For my edification, are the photographs part of the 15-6 or just in the CIDC ROI?

It also appeared that every reporter has seen the Executive Summary based on the reporters' comments during the DoD Press Briefing. Need to be aware of this when the report is redacted. Reporters are going to be able to compare and contrast the two.

And finally, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] New York Times, have asked to interview MG Taguba, either telephonically or in person.

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