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DIF Div Internment Facility  
(Short-term)

All MPs except Mech. GUARD FORCE (ENLISTED)  
COLLECTION POINT & INTERNMENT FACILITY Active Duty  
SENSING SESSION QUESTIONS

501st MP Co

Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_ State/Component AC Date 23 Mar 04  
Unit 1AD Duty Position Guard Force How Long in Job \_\_\_\_\_  
Interviewer [REDACTED] Incountry, since last Apr.

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1. Did all of you undergo Law of War training prior to deployment? Explain what training occurred. Is there a plan to train new Soldiers (replacements) to the unit? Did this training include the treatment of Detainees? Explain. (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 4.1)

Yes, couple of classes in Baumholder, Wiesbaden.  
I said Pfc Sgt, others said Sgt. New  
Soldiers got training here. They have heard  
the 5 S+ Ts. The mechanic

2. What training have you received to ensure your knowledge of DO is IAW the provisions under the Geneva Convention? (5Ss & T)(1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 4.1)

3. What training did your unit receive on the established Rules of Engagement (ROE)? How often does this occur? Does this training include Rules of Interaction (ROI)? (1.4, 4.1)

*Water as much as they want.*  
Power Point presentations, Got sustenance  
training during Guard Mounts. ROE  
is deeply understood by all. No escapes.  
Very minimal contact w Detainees

Strict Rules on interaction - 2 a day to  
feed - MREs. - Sometimes humanitarian  
4. Describe the training the guard force received to prepare them for their duties. (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 4.1) meals.

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5. How does your unit conduct sustainment training for Detainee Operations here in Theater? How often does this occur and please describe it? When did your unit last conduct this training? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 4.1) No standard.

(For Permanent Internment Facilities only) Does your unit have a formal training program for the care and control of Detainees? Describe what it includes. (1.1, 1.2, 1.4)

Guard Mount, occurs everyday. Equip check, ROE They work 10 hour shifts. No set day off, 7 people per shift. 2 Squads - 1 per shift.

6. What Home Station/Mob Site Training did your unit conduct prior to deployment to help your unit prepare for Detainee Operations? Describe it. How did the training prepare you to conduct Detainee Operations for this deployment? How did this training distinguish between the different categories of Detainees (EPWs, RPs, CIs, etc.)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 4.1)

The unit training focused on EPWs but the unit

This unit opened this place - Created their own SOP. Usually a week overlap with other platoons

7. What are some of the basic operations of the collection point/facility? Is there a copy of the Geneva Convention posted in the detainee's home language within these camps? Are camps segregating Detainees by nationality, language, rank, and sex? What provisions are in place for the receipt and distribution of Detainee correspondence/mail? Are personal hygiene items and needed clothing being supplied to the Detainees? Are the conditions within the camp sanitary enough to ensure a clean and healthy environment free from disease and epidemics? Is there an infirmary located within the camp? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

They don't have Geneva C posted. Rules of DIF are posted. Males get their own cells. They don't know classification - no mail. They are afforded a chance to write letters. Every 3rd day they get a shower - 2 at a time. They get must soap - tooth brush & paste.

(a) What is the maximum capacity for this particular collection point/facility? What is the current Detainee population? What is your ratio of guards to detainees in the collection point/facility? Is this ratio the proper mix for you to perform your mission? If not, what are the shortfalls? Why are their shortfalls? How do these shortfalls impact your mission? (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1, 3.1, 4.1)

8. What control measures are units using to maintain discipline and security in each collection point/facility? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

*All they can do is yell. If they keep it safe nobody will. No punishment allowed*

9. Describe how this unit is able to maintain the security and safeguarding of Detainees at this collection point/interment facility. Describe your security requirements. (What are your clear zones)? How do your Guard Towers permit an unobstructed view of the clear zone and how do they allow for overlapping fields of fire? Describe your perimeter security. (1.1, 1.2, 1.8, 2.1)

*Good observation from towers - but no 360 observation  
Good covering in towers. Lighting is good at night.  
There is no moving guard.*

10. What MP units (guards, escort, detachments) do you have at your disposal to operate and maintain this collection point/facility? What non-MP units are you using to help operate this collection point/facility? (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1)

*Only 1 mech & medics are working in facility. Mech is used as a backfill in tower - 2 x week.*

(a) What is the number of personnel that is needed to move prisoners internally and externally, (i.e. for medical, evacuation, etc.)? (1.1, 1.7)

*The tower watches very closely.  
Landline to tower from aid station 1479  
at 3rd aid station at all*

4137, CPA used  
Males only search male. - They  
get jump suit. In-processing done  
1 detainee at a time

11. How are you organized to handle the different categories of personnel (EPW, CI, OD, and refugees)? How many female Detainees are housed here? How and where do you house them? How do you maintain separation from the male population (during the day or during recreational activities)? What about other categories (juveniles, CI, RP, etc)? What about other categories (juveniles, CI, RP, etc)? Do you maintain a separate site for sick or wounded Detainees? If so where is it and how does your unit maintain the security and safeguarding of Detainees there? (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1,

3.1

12. (Collection Point only) How long are you holding Detainees at the collection point? Is holding the detainees longer than the 12 hours (FWD CP) or 24 hours (Central CP) impacting on your units' ability to perform its mission? Why? (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1, 3.1, 4.1)

13. What procedures are in place to account for and dispose of captured enemy supplies and equipment? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

Evidence not looked at until Detainees  
improcessed - only NCOTC have access  
They have a plan in case of fire to evac.

14. Can you give some examples of contraband? What are the procedures when you find contraband?? (i.e., Knives, Narcotics, weapons, currency)

(a) (Collection Point only) What are the procedures for transporting and evacuating detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 1.5, 4.1)

No longer than 4 days / 2 months

MI responsible for length of time  
1598 annotated when they turn over  
interrogation  
Report to NCDIC if det had black eye

15. What are the procedures for the transfer of Detainees from the collection points to US Military controlled detention facilities? How is the transfer of Detainees handled between different services? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

No mandated time to check cells,

16. What are the procedures for the transfer of custody of Detainees from the collection points/internment facility to Military Intelligence/OGA personnel? When the detainee is returned to the guard force, what procedures occur with the detainee? (in processing, medical screening, suicide watch, observation report DD Form 2713?, etc) (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

They monitor depressed

17. Does this facility include Sally Ports? Describe the system in place. (1.8, 4.1)

For big veh. they have no choice  
to open both gates. Det are locked  
down

18. What do you have in place for communications (between guards/towers and the TOC/C<sup>2</sup>)? What problems do you have? (1.1, 1.2, 1.5, 1.8)

*Det. knock on the doors if they have a complaint.*

19. How do the Detainees receive fresh water (**Bottled water or Lister bag**)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.8) AR 190-8, paragraph 3-4 f(3) Sufficient drinking water will be supplies to EPW/RP.

20. How are Detainee complaints and requests to the internment facility commander processed? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

21. What safety programs/policies are currently being used in the internment facilities? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

22. What personal equipment is the unit experiencing as a shortfall concerning detainee operations, (i.e., restraints, uniforms, CIF items, weapons, etc.)? (1.5)

*Have flex-cuffs. Dont really need any equip. Unit turned in shotguns - No no lethal capability except*

23. What transportation problems is the unit experiencing either to move troops or detainees during the operation? (1.5)

*Sometimes det. get repatriated. When going to Abu. - Abu comes & picks up*

24. What problems, if any, do you feel the unit has regarding manning or personnel resourcing in conducting Detention Operations? (1.7)

25. Do you know of the procedures to get stress counseling (Psychiatrist, Chaplain, Medical)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 2.1, 4.1)

Yes they know they can get stress counselling - never seen

26. Are you aware of your requirement to report abuse or suspected abuse of detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

Yes - all

27. Do you feel you can freely report an incident of alleged Detainee abuse outside Command channels (IG, CID) (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

Yes - they have no problem

28. What procedures do you have to report suspected detainee abuse (IG, CID, Next Level Commander) (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

Go to next higher - always use C of C.

29. What procedures are in place for detainees to report alleged abuse? (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

Knock on cell door

34. What do you perceive as the mission of your unit? Describe the importance of your role in that mission. (Insight to the Soldier's understanding and attitude concerning

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unit mission and their role)

*No mission statement  
military baby sitters. They get  
frustrated. They feel so-so on  
their importance.*

35. Describe your working environment and living conditions since being in Theater.  
(Identify physical and psychological impact on Soldier's attitude). (1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7)

*Could be better or worse.  
They live in warehouse on cots.  
They do have a TV. Things have  
gone better.*

36. Describe the unit command climate and Soldier morale. Has it changed or  
evolved since you have been in Theater? (Identifies Soldier's perception of the chain of  
command and Soldier attitude. Does the Soldier feel supported? Do Soldiers feel the  
Command cares? Are they getting clear guidance?)

*Leaders  
is confident  
Leaders  
Take care of soldiers at PHT level.  
Morale is fluctuating  
None attacks here.*

37. Please provide by show of hands if you aware of any incidences of detainee or  
other abuse in your unit? (Those that raise their hands, need to be noted and interviewed  
individually afterwards using the ABUSE QUESTIONAIRE)

*None.*