

**GUARD FORCE (NCO)  
COLLECTION POINT & INTERNMENT FACILITY  
SENSING SESSION QUESTIONS**

Rank NCO Branch \_\_\_\_\_ State/Component A/170th Date 31 Mar 04  
Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Duty Position Tm Ldr / Sqd Ldr How Long in Job \_\_\_\_\_  
Interviewer LWS / col

1. How did you prepare yourself and your Soldiers to become familiar with and understand the applicable regulations, OPORD/FRAGOs directives, international laws and administrative procedures to operate an I/R facility or Collection Point? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.6, 4.1)

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Conduct search seminar & search tag 1 day  
RIP for ~ 14 days

2. Did you and all of your Soldiers undergo Law of War training prior to deployment? Explain what training occurred. What is your 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)

Day of seminars Law of War Ft Dix Legal taught covered GC  
responsibilities as soldiers culture issues ROE use of force escalation  
use  
at Ft Dix did conveying IED VIXO route recon then did field tag  
1st time heard of detention gd man was Kuwait  
new soldier must go through tag

3. What policies/procedures does your unit have in place to support the U. S. policy relative to the humane treatment of Detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

very minimum mention Discussed treatment of EPW  
Policy on SOP care custody & control no torture no abuse no gagging  
medical treatment

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

medical comes in for sick call & ck detainees that have medical needs  
at 0900 also check all new detainees

5. 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)

Briefed in Kuwait

108th MP reinforced them on use of stick

ROE is use lethal only after cross last physical barrier

6. What procedures do you have in place to ensure Soldiers understand the use of force and rules of engagement for the interment facility/collection point? What guidance or policies do you have to ensure fraternization is not taking place between U.S. military personnel and the detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.6, 4.1)

up to individual to make a step up next level concerning use of force

No fraternization (stated in SOP)

Describe the training the guard force received to prepare them for their duties (5Ss & T)) How does your unit conduct sustainment training for Detainee Operations 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)

RIP

NCO quizzing on rules to reinforce Do opportunity, try no standardization between squads or on same squad

7. 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? What are your unit's strengths and weaknesses? How did this training distinguish between the different categories of Detainees (EPWs, RPs, CIs, etc.)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 4.1)

none at mob site

Strength some civilian police officers  
Diverse sub experience - get different perspective

Weakness morale & only 1 week of familiarization on any MP duties

try didn't distinguish

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8. Describe the training you received during your last Military Institutional School (BNCOC/ANCOC) in handling/processing Detainees. How was it helpful in preparing you for Detainee Operations? How would you improve the training at the schoolhouse? (1.1, 1.4)

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9. What are some of the basic operations of the collection point/internment 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? How are captured Medical personnel and Chaplains being used in the camps? What provisions are in place for the receipt and distribution of Detainee correspondence/mail? Are the daily food rations sufficient in quantity or quality and variety to keep detainees in good health? 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)

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10. What control measures are your unit using to maintain discipline and security in the collection point/internment facility? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

*search cells & detainees*

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*enforce camp rules punishment put on knees for 15 minutes*

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

*Bag chain of custody 4137 & EPW tag put in evidence locker*

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*Captured supplies & equipment is taken care of by unit*

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(a) What is your ratio of guards to detainees in your collection point/internment 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)

detainees to [redacted] (b)(2)-3

adequate to do men

12. How are you organized to handle the different categories of personnel (EPW, CI, OD, females, juveniles and refugees)? 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)

Don't accept juveniles unless approved by PMO could have to be w/parent  
females could be segregated

in new facility hull (not currently)

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

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to Baghdad detainees to [redacted] gds flex cuffed & goggles covered w/ tape

What are the procedures for transporting and evacuating detainees? What are the procedures for transferring 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)

CSH sends ambulance for medical

log when interrogators interrogate on site

off take off facility the DDC strips cks for marks/bruise ammetates on SF600 reverse upon return

Changed procedures when detainee returned bruised to chng upon return incidence was reported and under investigation

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13. 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)

14. What MP units (guards, escort, detachments) do you have at your disposal to operate and maintain this collection point/internment facility? What non-MP units are you using to help operate this collection point/internment facility? If you do not use MP teams, what forces are required to operate the Collection Point (guard, security etc)? Do you have any shortfalls in performing the Collection Point mission? How does this affect your doctrinal mission? How long are you holding Detainees at the collection point? Is holding the detainees longer than the 12/24 hours impacting on your units' ability to perform its mission? Why? (1.1, 1.2, 1.3)

15. Describe how this unit is able to maintain the security and safeguarding of Detainees at this internment facility/collection point. 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) FM 3-19.40, paragraph 2-1, An MP battalion commander tasked with operating an I/R facility is also the facility commander. As such, he is responsible for the safety and well being of all personnel housed within the facility. Since an MP unit may be tasked to handle different categories of personnel (EPW, CI, OD refugees, and US military prisoner), the commander, the cadre, and support personnel must be aware of the requirements for each category.

min on duty

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if could improve would put up more gd towers and have more moving guards

Perimeter security is towers some blind spots but external is post security

16. How do you maintain a high state of discipline with your Soldiers to enhance the internal and external security of the internment facility/Collection Point? (1.1, 1.2, 1.6

ing equal balance of good & bad recognize

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

none

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

radio between guard towers phone (DNVT) in tower  
2 way radios they bought  
DNVT goes down a lot need batteries for 2 way  
send a runner if have to

19. Describe the latrine facilities for Detainees' use (do they have access to it day and night and does it conform to the rules of hygiene and do females have separate facilities). How are they cleaned and how often and by whom? Where do they bathe and conduct other personal hygiene (this will depend how long it takes to evacuate Detainees to U.S. Military Controlled Detention Facilities—12/24 hours is the standard)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.8))

24/7 inside each cage segregation must take to latrine they clean  
3 hot meals  
heat & air conditioning  
shower in cages 24/7 available  
+ at 0600 carry out to front gate where exchange truck comes & sucks out

20. How do the Detainees receive fresh water (Bottled water or Lister bag)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.8))

Bottle that refill from spigot hooked to city water

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

cigarettes w/ps anything not supposed to have

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22. Describe your lighting systems at the Facility/Collection Point (how does it affect security). How about heating during the winter? What fire prevention/safety measures are in place? (1.8)

poor potentially could get out

Heater in Buildings

No Evacuation plan

How are Detainee complaints and requests to the camp commander processed? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

chain of command can complain to gds

City council

23. What are your shortcomings/problems in feeding the population? What is the menu of the population? (1.1, 1.2, 1.8, 4.1) (FM 3-19.40, paragraph 6-14. If dining facilities don't exist, then Detainees are to be fed MREs.)

no problem now

Meals come from DFAC no pork

24. What problems, if any, do you feel the unit has regarding manning or personnel resourcing in conducting Detention Operations? What about the number of personnel to control the detention operation in regards to riot control? (1.1, 1.7, 2.1)

got enough Facility has some shortfalls

Not plenty of gloves flex cuffs

Batteries are shortage

if riot could not control but have protection from towers & individual upns

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

none

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26. What types of supplies is greater in-demand for the unit during detainee operations? And are these items regularly filled? What major shortfalls has the unit encountered in regard to materiel and supply distribution? (1.5)

27. What transportation problems is the unit experiencing to move detainees during the operation? (1.5, 2.1)

*none*

28. What safety programs/policies are currently being used in the Detainee camps? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

*can't enter cage by yourself don't enter building unless all detainees are out of bldg*

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

*each other  
stress clinic - a block away from where they live  
chap of cmd*

30. Are you aware of your requirement to report abuse or suspected abuse of detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

*yes*



31. Do your subordinates know the reporting procedures if they observe or become aware of a Detainee being abused? (1.1, 1.2, 1.6,

4.1 yes  
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32. What steps would you take if a subordinate reported to you an incident of alleged Detainee abuse? (1.2, 1.6,

4.1 report to chn of cmd & have them write a sworn statement  
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33. 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  
see interrogators  
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34. What procedures do you have to report suspected detainee abuse (IG, CID, Next Level Commander) (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

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

Beatme form  
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41. 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 unit mission and their role)

*care + custody of detainees + soldiers*  
*Get us off street delivering msg that we are for building relationship of respect*

42. 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)

*living great*  
*seeing fire under circumstances only problem is latrine*

43. 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?)

*morale is left aside not enough consideration by leaders*  
*not a lot of help from up top*  
*pretty good inside platoon perception comes out for themselves not soldiers*

44. 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 QUESTIONNAIRE)

*no*