



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS,
4TH INFANTRY DIVISION (MECHANIZED)
TIKRIT, IRAQ

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

AFYB-CG

21 September 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR TF Ironhorse Commanders, Leaders and Soldiers

SUBJECT: Treatment of Detainees in the Custody of U.S. Forces

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide guidance for the treatment of enemy prisoners of war (EPW), civilian internees (CI) and other detainees (OD) in the custody of U.S. Forces.
2. Commanders at all levels will ensure that EPWs, civilian internees (to include unlawful combatants and terrorists) and other detainees are humanely treated in accordance with AR 190-8, Enemy Prisoners of War, Retained Personnel, Civilian Internees, and Other Detainees; Field Manual 27-10, The Law of Land Warfare; the 1949 Geneva Convention Relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War; and, the 1949 Geneva Convention Relative to the Protection of Civilians in a Time of War.
3. TF Ironhorse soldiers will treat all detainees with dignity and respect and, at the very least, will meet the standards for humane treatment as articulated in international law. TF Ironhorse soldiers will treat all CI and OD in a manner consistent with the protections afforded EPWs pursuant to the principles outlined in the Geneva Convention. Such treatment will be extended to EPWs, CI, and OD from the moment they fall into the hands of U.S. Forces to the time of their final release or repatriation.
4. EPWs, CI, and OD will be respected as human beings. They will be protected against all acts of violence, including, but not limited to: assault, insults, public curiosity, bodily injury, and reprisals of any kind. While detainees in U.S. custody may be interrogated for intelligence purposes, the use of physical or mental torture, or coercion to compel individuals to provide information is strictly prohibited. Interrogations will be conducted by intelligence or counter-intelligence personnel.
5. Detainees will receive humane treatment without regard to race, nationality, religion, political opinion, sex, or other criteria. U.S. Forces may, however, segregate detainees by category for operational and security reasons.
6. Inhumane treatment of EPWs, CI, and OD is strictly prohibited. Neither the stresses of combat, nor deep provocation will justify inhumane treatment. Such ill treatment of detainees is a serious crime, punishable under international law and the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). All reports of detainee or civilian maltreatment will be investigated and reported to the supporting judge advocate or Division SJA.

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7. POC for this memorandum is LTC [REDACTED] Staff Judge Advocate, at DNVT 534-

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