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Serious Incident Report

To: Commander, 18th MP BDE
From: Commander, 400th MP BN

Subject: SIR Number 030001

Paragraph:

1. Category: Category 2 (AR 190-40, Appendix C-1.g)
2. Type of incident:
 - a. 1 US Soldier Injured
 - b. Prisoner Death
 - c. Seven Prisoners Injured
3. Date and Time: 131615(L) JUN 03
4. Location. ABU GUHRAYB (Vic MB 23579 85233)
5. Other Information.
 - a. Racial: No
 - b. Trainee Involvement: No
6. Personnel Involved.

a. Subject. 1

- a. Name: (b)(6) [REDACTED]
- b. Rank or grade: SGT
- c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
- d. Race: Caucasian
- e. Sex: M
- f. Age: Unknown
- g. Position: Yard Tower
- h. Security Clearance: Secret
- i. Unit: 72d MP CO
- j. Duty Status: On duty

b. Subject. 2

- a. Name: (b)(6) [REDACTED]
- b. Rank or grade: SPC
- c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

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- d. Race: Caucasian
- e. Sex: M
- f. Age: Unknown
- g. Position: Tower 6
- h. Security Clearance: N/A
- i. Unit: 72d MP CO
- j. Duty Status: On Duty

c. Subject. 3

- a. Name: [REDACTED] (b)(6)-5
- b. Rank or grade: SPC
- c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
- d. Race: Caucasian
- e. Sex: M
- f. Age: Unknown
- g. Position: Tower 5
- h. Security Clearance: Secret
- i. Unit: 72d MP CO
- j. Duty Status: On Duty

d. Victim. 1: US Soldier.

- a. Name: [REDACTED] (b)(6)-4
- b. Rank or grade: SGT
- c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
- d. Race: Caucasian
- e. Sex: M
- f. Age: 29
- g. Position: Enclosure Guard
- h. Security Clearance: Secret
- i. Unit: 400th MP Bn
- j. Duty Status: N/A

e. Victim. 2: Death (Gunshot to lower abdomen and back)

- a. Name: [REDACTED] (b)(6)-A
- b. Rank or grade: Iraqi Civilian
- c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
- d. Race: Arab
- e. Sex: M
- f. Age: Unknown
- g. Position: Prisoner
- h. Security Clearance: N/A
- i. Unit: N/A
- j. Duty Status: N/A

f. Victim. 3: Injury (Gunshot to left arm)

- a. Name: [REDACTED] (b)(6)-A

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- b. Rank or grade: Iraqi Civilian
 - c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED] (b)(6)
 - d. Race: Arab
 - e. Sex: M
 - f. Age: Unknown
 - g. Position: Prisoner
 - h. Security Clearance: N/A
 - i. Unit: N/A
 - j. Duty Status: N/A
- g. Victim. 4: Injury (Gunshot to right abdomen)
- a. Name: [REDACTED]
 - b. Rank or grade: Iraqi Civilian
 - c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED] (b)(6)
 - d. Race: Arab
 - e. Sex: M
 - f. Age: Unknown
 - g. Position: Prisoner
 - h. Security Clearance: N/A
 - i. Unit: N/A
 - j. Duty Status: N/A
- h. Victim. 5: Injury (Gunshot to left arm)
- a. Name: [REDACTED] (b)(6)
 - b. Rank or grade: Iraqi Civilian
 - c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
 - d. Race: Arab
 - e. Sex: M
 - f. Age: Unknown
 - g. Position: Prisoner
 - h. Security Clearance: N/A
 - i. Unit: N/A
 - j. Duty Status: N/A
- i. Victim. 6: Injury (Gunshot to left shoulder)
- a. Name: [REDACTED] (b)(6)
 - b. Rank or grade: Iraqi Civilian
 - c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
 - d. Race: Arab
 - e. Sex: M
 - f. Age: Unknown
 - g. Position: Prisoner
 - h. Security Clearance: N/A
 - i. Unit: N/A
 - j. Duty Status: N/A
- j. Victim. 7: Injury (Gunshot to lower back and buttocks)
- a. Name: [REDACTED] (b)(6)

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- b. Rank or grade: Iraqi Civilian
- c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
- d. Race: Arab
- e. Sex: M
- f. Age: Unknown
- g. Position: Prisoner
- h. Security Clearance: N/A
- i. Unit: N/A
- j. Duty Status: N/A

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k. Victim. 8: Injury (Gunshot to left abdomen)

- a. Name: [REDACTED]
- b. Rank or grade: Iraqi Civilian
- c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
- d. Race: Arab
- e. Sex: M
- f. Age: Unknown
- g. Position: Prisoner
- h. Security Clearance: N/A
- i. Unit: N/A
- j. Duty Status: N/A

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l. Victim. 9: Injury (Gunshot to left arm)

- a. Name: [REDACTED]
- b. Rank or grade: Iraqi Civilian
- c. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
- d. Race: Arab
- e. Sex: M
- f. Age: Unknown
- g. Position: Prisoner
- h. Security Clearance: N/A
- i. Unit: N/A
- j. Duty Status: N/A

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7. Summary of Incident:

a. Synopsis: Eight prisoners began to riot after witnessing 14 inmates being released. They attempted to overtake the guards utilizing rocks and tent poles. One MP received minor injuries from a rock. Guards opened fire killing one and wounding seven prisoners. The seven were provided Air MEDEVAC to LSA DOGWOOD, along with an MP providing security on the prisoners. IPF forces were notified and a civilian ambulance was escorted back to the prison to retrieve the body of the KIA.

b. Events Preceding the Incident: On 12 Jun 03, at 1800 hours, the detainees became agitated and began demanding answers regarding their capture and the amount of time they would be held in custody. They were upset and declared that they were being

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housed improperly and lacked basic needs such as showers, shampoo, blankets, and toilets. Several of the detainees threw rocks and tent poles out of the enclosure at the guards and one guard was struck in the hand. At that time, the Company First Sergeant, [REDACTED] and the Commander, [REDACTED] responded to the yard and addressed the detainees through one of the prisoner interpreters. They were advised that many of the new detainees had release dates and that the Camp Commander would review other cases and provide information when available. The detainees were all advised that throwing rocks and tent poles at the guards would constitute deadly force and that they could and would be shot if that behavior occurred again. A SITREP was sent to battalion with a request to charge the individuals and have them sent to Camp Cropper. (b)(6) z

c. On 13 Jun 2003, at approximately 1400 hours, a disturbance was again reported in the yard and involved an attempted escape by detainee [REDACTED]. The detainee attempted to go through the wire utilizing a cardboard box, however, was immediately apprehended as he exited the wire. At this time a count was initiated, however, detainees in both compounds refused to stand to be counted. The QRF was dispatched, and the count proceeded without incident. Shortly after the count, the QRF was called again to respond to multiple gunshots occurring in the yard. Multiple detainees with rocks and tent poles had targeted the MPs working the enclosure compounds. As the enclosure guards attempted to flee the objects, the tower guards feared that the enclosure guards were in danger. Three Tower Guards simultaneously followed the ROE, and fired upon the detainees who were engaging in the use of deadly force against U.S. personnel. Two of the towers fired 12-gauge shotguns expending eight rounds. The third guard fired four M-16 rounds. Seven detainees were wounded and one killed as a result of the incident. One U.S. soldier was injured by a rock. All wounded were taken from the enclosure area and provided first aid by medics from the 400th MP Bn and combat lifesavers from the 72d MP Co. MEDEVAC was requested and the seven wounded were evacuated under one MP guard. The body and personal belongings of the deceased prisoner were released to Iraqi authorities.

8. Remarks: All rounds were confiscated, the crime scene was photographed, and tower views were photographed. Personal property of the KIA was provided to Iraqi authorities who retrieved the body at 1930. The riot was believed to have been caused by a lack of information about their dispositions, dates of release, and lack of basic living necessities.

9. Publicity: Unknown

10. Commander Reporting: [REDACTED] LTC (P), 400th MP Battalion

11. Point of Contact:

a. Prison Company Commander, CPT [REDACTED] 72d MP CO

b. Reporting Officer, CPT [REDACTED] Battalion Assistant S3 (b)(6) z

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12. Downgrading Instruction: FOUO markings may be removed after 13 July 2003

13. Other Requested Information:

- a. What gate or guards were rushed? Three Enclosure Guards.
- b. Describe the location between the enclosure guard and the tower guards. The tower guards formed a triangular position around the enclosure guard and prisoners. The guards fired their weapons from the towers.
- c. How many guards used their weapons? Three guards; Total rounds expended: four M-16 rounds from the Yard Tower; five 12-gauge shotgun rounds from Tower 6; and three shotgun rounds from Tower 5.

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