

On 9 Aug 05, I was interviewed in regards to an incident that occurred on 5 Aug 05. I was told by the interrogator that I was a witness but then advised me of my rights. I thought this was odd seeing how I was a witness. The interrogator explained to me that there were concerns during the incident on 5 Aug 05 and a tape of the incident was being sent to Washington. I answered the questions of the incident I observed but did not want to speculate on actions or what an agent might have felt or his motive for action. Each agent perceives threats in different ways depending on the experience of the agent. I perceived a sufficient threat that I felt it necessary to stay between the detainee and the interpreter throughout this incident. The interpreter told me thank-you after the incident because of how close he perceived the detainee got to him. This incident started as an interview with [REDACTED] and interpreter [REDACTED] on 5 Aug 05.

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[REDACTED] The interview was in Camp [REDACTED] in the downstairs interview room. The detainee for the interview was ISN [REDACTED]. After arriving at camp [REDACTED] ISN [REDACTED] refused to leave his cell for the interview. [REDACTED] talked to the guard force about removing ISN [REDACTED] for the interview. The guard force assembled their team but did not have to remove the detainee by [REDACTED]. Interpreters went to the cell to talk with ISN [REDACTED] and the detainee representative convinced him to go to the interview and tell the interrogators that he did not want to talk. When our interview team arrived at the interview room ISN [REDACTED] was talking with a detainee in the shower across the hall. As we walked through the door and were sitting down ISN [REDACTED] told the interpreter to tell them (referring to agents) he would not talk to the dogs (again referring to agents). [REDACTED] tried to get the interpreter to calm ISN [REDACTED] that we only wanted to ask a few questions. Normally we would be introducing ourselves to the detainee but he was so agitated that he did not give agents a chance. The interpreter told ISN [REDACTED] that this brother (referring to [REDACTED]) wanted to ask some questions. ISN [REDACTED] said, "don't say brother he is a dog" and he said, "fuck his mother". ISN [REDACTED] spoke back through the interpreter saying he wasn't talking to the agents. [REDACTED] interrupted the translation from the interpreter saying to ISN [REDACTED] that he was already talking to us. ISN [REDACTED] looked at [REDACTED] and in English told him to shut up. [REDACTED] told ISN [REDACTED] that he knew ISN [REDACTED] spoke English. ISN [REDACTED] kicked the wicker table forward at the interpreter and [REDACTED] stopped the table with his foot. I

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grabbed the table and moved it to the wall beside the door so it could not be kicked anymore. ISN [redacted] said something like shut up you bastard and stood up and moved forward with his left side toward [redacted] stood up and told ISN [redacted] to sit down. An exchange of shut ups and sit downs were exchanged between the detainee and [redacted] pointed at the detainee and told him to sit down. I was concerned that the detainee had stood up and appeared to try to take control of the interview. Thinking back now I found myself tunnel visioning on the actions of ISN [redacted] and the need to keep track of the interpreter. I remember the events in pieces and confuse the order some events occurred. The interrogator told me things that I did not recall. I cannot recall how many times ISN [redacted] spit at [redacted] but it would have been at least four. During one of the spitting incidents [redacted] moved out of the way and ISN [redacted] attempted to bite [redacted] finger. From my angle I didn't think ISN [redacted] had bit [redacted] I checked the interpreter and looked back seeing [redacted] holding the chair he was sitting in. I don't know why he picked it up. The interrogator asked me if the detainee grabbed the chair but I cannot remember. I saw [redacted] toss the chair in the direction of ISN [redacted] but I did not see it impact the detainee. This portion of the incident happened vary quickly and my perception of a threat grew to severe concern. There was a detainee standing up and anything could happen. The interrogator repeatedly asked me if I saw it hit the detainee in the face but I did not. I did not watch the path of the chair in the air as I had a threat. I don't know why [redacted] threw the chair. I saw [redacted] reach down for the refrigerator to his right. I was maintaining a position between [redacted] and the interpreter and adjusting as people changed positions. This seemed like a blur of movement as [redacted] shoved the refrigerator at the detainee. The interrogator asked me if he did this with his hands or feet and I believe it was with his hands. Again I don't know the intent of [redacted] if the refrigerator hit the detainee it would have been on the leg. I don't know if [redacted] intended to hit [redacted] or just put it between them. I believe I was moving to stand up and get between the interpreter and [redacted] I stood up and said something like "cool it or calm down" putting my arm between [redacted] [redacted] The interrogator said that I did this more than once but I can't recall doing it twice. There was a very tense few seconds of exchanges of verbal profanity from both

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the detainee and [REDACTED] I recall ISN [REDACTED] calling [REDACTED] a bitch or bastard and [REDACTED] responding with punk bitch. This ended the direct exchanges between [REDACTED]. The detainee shifted his position to put his right side forward closer to the interview room door. I lifted the interpreters chair to block the spitting of [REDACTED]. He grabbed the leg of the chair I was holding up but let go when he pulled and it didn't move. When ISN [REDACTED] let go we moved a few steps in the opposite direction of ISN [REDACTED] away from the door. My intent on raising the chair was to deflect any spit from ISN [REDACTED]. I used the chair as a shield and never used it as a weapon. I am not sure if the detainee tripped or lunged toward the door where he ended up on the table I had moved earlier. He was speaking in Arabic and the interpreter said he was saying that he was being beaten. No one in the room knocked ISN [REDACTED] down and he was not pushed to end up on the table. As I looked at ISN [REDACTED] did not observe any injuries. The interview group stayed away from ISN [REDACTED] as the MP's made their way into the room. I did not observe [REDACTED] punch, kick, and poke or physically touch ISN [REDACTED]. I observed ISN [REDACTED] spit and attempt to bite [REDACTED]. The guards took ISN [REDACTED] to the ground using what appeared to me to be minimum force. It did appear from my angle that when ISN [REDACTED] was taken to the ground that his head rubbed against the wall. I did not observe anyone on the MP team strike ISN [REDACTED]. We left the interview room so [REDACTED] could have his finger looked at. While in an office with a monitor on the interview room I observed the detainee attempting to bite the MP's. The view from the monitor was the first time I noticed an injury on the detainees face. [REDACTED] had his finger looked at by medical authorities as he indicated that ISN [REDACTED] teeth had made contact with his finger that had previously been cut. While ISN [REDACTED] was still in the interview room with the MP's the detainee in the shower broke the shower so the water was running everywhere. I never observed any eye gouging of ISN [REDACTED] that has been alleged. There were multiple exchanges of profanity between the detainee and [REDACTED]. I am not sure what perspective of the camera gave to the incident but my perspective was focused on the detainee's movements and actions while moving and keeping the interpreter behind me. The room we were in became a lot smaller based on the aggression I perceived and the reactions of [REDACTED]. Fear, adrenaline, and stress washed me as we left camp [REDACTED]. In eighteen years of law enforcement I have never encountered a [REDACTED].

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