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REPLY TO  
 ATTENTION OF

MNFI-D

23 June 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Term "Coalition Holding Facility"

1. The following memorandum addresses the time frames that detaining units are required to transfer detainees whether criminal, EPW or Security Internees to the Coalition Holding Area and the definition of a Coalition Holding Area.

2. Per paragraph 3.C.1., [redacted] published 24 August 2003 directed all brigades or equivalent to commence transferring criminal detainees and EPWs to the Coalition Holding Facility (or equivalent) for induction no later than 72 hours after apprehension by the detaining unit. Security Internees may be held longer than 72 hours for intelligence gathering purposes unless movement is sooner directed by CJTF-7, C2. However, the unit in no case shall delay induction of a security detainee more than 14 days from the date of apprehension/detention. In the last sentence, "the unit" refers to a collection point of either brigade or division level. This statement was not intended to authorize teams or company level commanders to hold detainees based on their assessment of potential intelligence value of detained persons under their control.

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3. Per [redacted] Facility is defined as the central collection facility through which all detainees/internees should be inducted before transfer to another internment facility or release. This facility was otherwise known as the Baghdad Central Correctional Facility (BCCF) located at Abu Ghraib. In addition to BCCF, Camp Cropper and Camp Bucca are also Coalition Holding Facility. IAW FM 3-19.40, Internment/Resettlement Operations, Division level and below have collection points for detainees, Corps have holding areas, and Theater have holding areas/internment facilities, which are deemed for long term internment.

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4. Initial in processing of detainees begins with the brigade collection points and ends at the Division Central Collection Point or commonly referred in this theater as the Division Internment Facility (DIF). Actual induction occurs at the Coalition Holding Facility, where the detainees are in processed into the Detainee Reporting System (DRS) and given an Internment Serial Number (ISN) that is reported to the National Detainee Reporting Center (NDRC) in Washington, D.C. The majority of the induction is done

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BCCF, however, high value detainees are taken to Camp Cropper, where they are inducted into DRS. Camp Cropper serves as a Coalition Holding Area for that special population. The only other facility that could be construed as a Coalition Holding Facility is Camp Bucca located in Umm Qasr, which can induct detainees, however it basically serves as a long term internment facility. Only BCCF, Camp Cropper, and Camp Bucca can induct detainees into DRS.

5. Point of contact for this memorandum is CPT [REDACTED] b6

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