

SWORN STATEMENT

Location: Green Zone, BAGHDAD, IRAQ.
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I [REDACTED] want to make the following statement under oath:

I, LCDR [REDACTED] am the commander of [REDACTED] West, my administrative position is the executive officer of [REDACTED]. The commander of SEAL team 1 is [REDACTED]. He is at BIAP. I arrived here on 30 March. I overlapped [REDACTED] by about three and half weeks. They pulled out of here on the 24th or 26th of March. We were supposed to be here on the 4th of April, but due to a strategic air problem we didn't make it out here until the 13th. We didn't take control until 15 April. Between 15 April and 26 April we didn't conduct any operations. On 26 April we went to Fallujah, and stayed there for four days. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] We hit our first target on I believe 3 May. We've brought back, I believe nine detainees to our facility. I've been calling our facility a detention facility up until recently, but it is actually a tactical interrogation facility. It is not to be confused with a detention facility like [REDACTED] Ams. It's not a long or mid-term holding facility. What we consider the rule for holding detainees at our facility is no more than 72 hours, but my rule here is if a guy can tell me something during the first 48 hours, he's not going to tell me much more, so my guidance to Rich is after 48 hours let's get this guy to 7RCT, more or less to take the stress off this camp for holding this detainee. We've not been keeping guys here longer than 72 hours [REDACTED]

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Everybody knows when a detainee is in the camp. That interrogating room is avoided and the word is put out that no one is to go near the facility and there is a guard sitting out there the entire time. There is always a cot in the conex box. There may have been more than one person in the conex box, but they are in there for a very short period of time. We feed them crackers, bread, or the main meals of MRHs. The guidelines that they put out on feeding times are no more than 12 hours at [REDACTED]. The time we feed them varies, but it would be no more than 12 hours in length, for any meal. Within a 12 hour period that individual will get some sustenance. It is a possibility that someone could receive crackers and bread every 12 hours for 48 hours. I don't ever do any interrogations. I've never been present during an interrogation. I've never done a spot check on an interrogation. As far as the conduct in interrogations, I reviewed the guidelines of what's posted on the treatment of the detainees, and I've looked at Gunn Sergeant [REDACTED] in the eyes and I said this isn't about any mistreatment of the personnel, no matter what their status under which they have been brought in. I told him, [REDACTED] know your job better than I and I expect [REDACTED]

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professional standard." I have not talked about what techniques could and couldn't be used. I asked him about techniques and he said, "Six it's 90% about stress positions for the most part" so I assume the main techniques involved are putting an individual in stress positions. I have to assume that Gunnery Sergeant [REDACTED] by his position and training, can authorize stress positions. I know its okay with me. He told me about it and I didn't deny him the ability to do that. B6

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