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MEMORANDUM FOR Major General Geoffrey Miller, Commander, Joint Task Force Guantanamo,
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

SUBJECT: ~~(S//NF)~~ Letter of Promulgation Regarding Secretary of Defense Guidance On Interrogation
Techniques

1. ~~(S//NF)~~ This memorandum provides amplification on the 16 April 2003 guidance from the Secretary of Defense (SECDEF) regarding Joint Task Force Guantanamo's implementation of interrogation techniques.

2. ~~(S//NF)~~ The SECDEF's memorandum directs that Techniques B, I, O, and X be used only when required by military necessity, and that the SECDEF be notified in advance. Prior to applying these techniques against a specific detainee, I direct you to submit a memorandum for approval pursuant to the detainee's initial interrogation strategy (or when that strategy changes).

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3. ~~(S//NF)~~ To clarify other matters raised by the SECDEF's memorandum:

(a) Reference Technique B, the Working Group was most concerned about removal of the Koran from a detainee—something we no longer do. Because providing incentives (e.g., McDonald's Fish Sandwiches or cigarettes) is an integral part of interrogations, you will notify me in writing when the provided incentive would exceed that contemplated by interrogation doctrine contained in Army FM 34-52, or when the interrogators intend to remove an incentive from a detainee.

(b) Reference Techniques I and O, you will notify me in writing when use of these standard interrogation techniques goes beyond the doctrinal application described in Army FM 34-52. When use of the technique is consistent with FM 34-52, you do not need to notify me.

(c) I define "sleep deprivation," referenced in Technique V, as keeping a detainee awake for more than 16 hrs or allowing a detainee to rest briefly and then repeatedly awakening him, not to exceed four days in succession.

(d) Reference Technique X, I do not consider the use of maximum security units as isolation. A detainee placed in a maximum security unit is segregated, but not truly isolated.

(e) I define the "least intrusive method" as the technique that has the least impact on a detainee's standard of treatment, while evoking the desired response from the detainee during interrogations.

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(f) Except in the case of Techniques B, I, O, and X, I have determined that the first O-6/GG-15 in the chain of command or supervision, is the "appropriate specified senior approval authority," unless approval authority is withheld from that individual by higher authority.

4. (S//NF) Lastly, I have told the Secretary of Defense his 16 April guidance applies to all interagency elements assigned or attached to JTF GTMO.


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