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To: [redacted] (b)(6)  
Cc: [redacted] (b)(6) [Combat Terror](#) [redacted] (b)(6) [USTRANSCOM SG](#) [redacted] (b)(6)  
Subject: [USTRANSCOM SG](#)  
RE: ~~(S)~~ EUCOM J-3 Phone Call to National Military Command Center (NMCC) (U)  
Date: Wednesday, September 26, 2012 1:33:28 PM

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[redacted] (b)(6)

I have our weekly update with our GO tomorrow morning. Is there any update you can provide on this situation in the event I'm asked? Since I haven't heard anything on this end, I'm assuming that it hasn't returned to the transportation system for any additional movement.

Thanks for your help.

v/r

[redacted] (b)(6) MSC, FACHE Chief, Medical & AE Readiness and Plans Office  
of the Command Surgeon, HQ AMC/SGX  
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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] (b)(6)  
Sent: Friday, September 21, 2012 2:15 PM  
To: [redacted] (b)(6) AMC/SGX  
Cc: [redacted] (b)(6) [redacted] (b)(6) [USTRANSCOM SG](#); [redacted] (b)(6)  
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Subject: RE: ~~(S)~~ EUCOM J-3 Phone Call to National Military Command Center (NMCC) (U)

Classification: ~~SECRET//NOFORN//ORCON~~

Sir,

Just in case you didn't see this, here is the latest on the movement.

V/R,

[redacted] (b)(6)

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] (b)(6) AMC/SGX [[mailto:](#)[redacted] (b)(6)]  
Sent: Friday, September 21, 2012 1:07 PM  
To: [redacted] (b)(6)  
Cc: [redacted] (b)(6) DDSO Combat Terror; [redacted] (b)(6) [USTRANSCOM SG](#); [redacted] (b)(6)  
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[redacted] (b)(6)

Per our discussion this morning, I was asked to look into this by the 18AF (AFTRANS) CV this morning as we thought [redacted] Understand from [redacted] and the disposition/repatriation actions are being worked by all the powers that be.

Thanks for any updates you can provide.

v/r

[redacted]

[redacted] MSC, FACHE Chief, Medical & AE Readiness and Plans Office of the Command Surgeon, HQ AMC/SGX

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From: [redacted] USTRANSCOM SG  
Sent: Friday, September 21, 2012 11:35 AM  
To: [redacted] AMC/SGX  
Cc: [redacted]  
Subject: FW: ~~(S//)~~ EUCOM J-3 Phone Call to National Military Command Center (NMCC) (U)

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Sir,

Per our discussion, see below update regarding the movement of HR to Yemen. You may contact Col [redacted] below for additional updates.

V/R,

[redacted]

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Friday, September 21, 2012 7:29 AM  
Subject: EUCOM J-3 Phone Call to National Military Command Center (NMCC)

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All,

BLUF: Recommend DCO [redacted] at 1000EDT/1400Z this morning to discuss concerns voiced by the EUCOM J-3 MG Batschelet. Request maximum participation from SOUTHCOM and EUCOM SMEs. All other agencies in "to" line are welcome to participate for situational awareness. (NOTE: The email below this note describes an overview / background of DHRMO [redacted])

(b)(1),Sec. 1.4 (a),Sec. 1.4 (b),Sec. 1.4 (d),Sec. 1.4 (g)

Situation Update:

(b)(1),(b)(7)(E),Sec. 1.4 (a),Sec. 1.4 (b),Sec. 1.4 (d),Sec. 1.4 (g)

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From: (b)(6)  
Sent: Thursday, September 20, 2012 7:07 AM  
Subject: RE: SOUTHCOM's HR Issue [REDACTED] (UNCLASSIFIED)

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(b)(3):10 U.S.C. § 130b,(b)(6)

Bottom line up front: When there's an unplanned detainee death, JTF GTMO / USSOUTHCOM TTPs attempt to repatriate the human remains as quickly as possible for cultural / religious reasons. (b)(1),Sec. 1.4 (a)

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(b)(1),Sec. 1.4 Unforeseen circumstances, namely the unrest in N. Africa, Middle East and South Asia caused an unanticipated pause in Detainee Human Remains Movement Operation (DHRMO) [REDACTED]

(b)(1),Sec. 1.4 (a),Sec. 1.4 (b),Sec. 1.4 (d),Sec. 1.4 (g)

Background:

(b)(1),Sec. 1.4 (a),Sec. 1.4 (b),Sec. 1.4 (d),Sec. 1.4 (g)

In DHRMO [REDACTED] GTMO detainee Latif was pronounced dead at 1448EDT on Sat 8 Sept. The EUCOM Battle Watch Captain received a GENADMIN early on Sun 09 Sept (DTG 090008Z). Later on Sunday 09 Sept (1707EDT), EUCOM BWC acknowledged receipt of a VOCO authorizing the DHRMO on or about 10 Sep.

On 10 Sep, after receiving verbal assurances from the Yemeni Embassy in Washington DC and the US

Ambassador to Yemen that the Republic of Yemen government would accept the remains, the following itinerary was published by TRANSCOM. (b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g)

(b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g)

Assessment:

OSD/JS/USSOUTHCOM could not anticipate the YouTube protests in Yemen would occur 72 hours after the GTMO detainee died. (b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g)

(b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g) The EUCOM BWC could not predict these occurrences either and provided excellent support very short notice on 11 Sep.

(b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g)

Therefore, USSOUTHCOM remains the supported combatant command in DHRMO. (b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g) Given the human remains of a GMTO detainee stored anywhere in the world in US custody/control is a highly charged issue in light of the current YouTube video / French cartoons, USSOUTHCOM options are limited.

Next Steps:

(b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g)

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Recommend continued engagement between USSOUTHCOM / USEUCOM / OSD / JS / State Dept in order to determine the best disposition for DHRMO. (b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g)

Options include:

(b)(1).Sec. 1.4 (a).Sec. 1.4 (b).Sec. 1.4 (d).Sec. 1.4 (g)

Note: The PRO/CON comparisons are not/not exhaustive and other solutions may exist.

JS/OSD will support / engage coordination between USSOUTHCOM and USEUCOM as required.

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(b)(6)

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