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INVESTIGATIVE ACTION

09AUG06

CONTROL: 10JUN06-MPGT-0031-7HNA

V/AL ZAHRANI, YASSER TALAL/CIV
M/W/FNSA/N//26DEC83/SAUDI ARABIA

RESULTS OF SEIZURE

1. On 02AUG06, (b)(7)(C) SEFO Evidence Custodian, notified Reporting Agent (RA) that the evidence submitted to USACIL for examination in this investigation had been returned and that USACIL had also transferred hard copies of latent prints developed and lifted utilizing an Electrostatic Detection Device. Enclosure (A) pertains.
2. RA subsequently placed the five individual latent print lifts received from USACIL via USPS registered mail number RA390154765US into the NCIS evidence custody system under Evidence Custody Document (ECD) Log Number 326-06, a copy of which is appended as Enclosure (B).

ENCLOSURE (S)

- (A) USACIL Memorandum/28JUN06
- (B) ECD Log Number 326-06

REPORTED BY: (b)(7)(C)
OFFICE: NCISRA JACKSONVILLE, FL

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28 June 2006

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
NCISRA Jacksonville, P.O. Box 58, Jacksonville, FL 32212

SUBJECT: EDD Evidence
Submitter Case Number: 10JUN06-MPGT-0031-7HNA
Laboratory Referral Number: 2006-CID131-1263

1. On 27 June 2006, examination(s) with the Electrostatic Detection Apparatus (EDD) were conducted to determine if indented writing was present on the following item:

Exhibit #	Item	Log #
1	A	009-06
2	D	010-06
3	B	011-06
4 (1-2)	D	013-06

2. We are required by our external laboratory accreditation organization to treat the EDD lifts created during this examination as "EDD Image Evidence."

3. As USACIL has no facility for permanent evidence storage, the "EDD Image Evidence" is being returned to you attached to the original item from which it was derived. A digital record of this EDD Image Evidence item is retained in the USACIL case file number cited above.

4. The EDD Image Evidence should be retained for possible use as evidence in legal proceedings. After adjudication is complete, it may be disposed of in accordance with your usual procedures without notifying USACIL.

5. POC on this matter is (b)(7)(C) DSN 797-7041, E-mail: marvin.reed@usacil.army.mil.

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Forensic Document Examiner

ENCLOSURE (A)

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CODE MPJX	CONTROL 10JUN06-MPGT-0031-7HNA	LOG NUM 326-06	DATE AND TIME OF SEIZURE 02AUG06
NAME OF PERSON FROM WHOM PROPERTY SEIZED Reg Mail # RA39015476545		LOCATION WHERE PROPERTY SEIZED Bldg III, NAS Jax, FL	
MI TITLE VIA Zakrani, Yasser Tala / CIV			

ITEM	QUAN-TITY	DISPOSAL ACTION	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLE - MODEL NUMBER, SERIAL NUMBER, IDENTIFYING MARKS, CONDITION, AND VALUE WHEN APPROPRIATE.
A	(1)		One yellow envelope containing (5) individually identified Electric static Detection Device lifts pertaining to USACIL case # 06-1263///

/// Last Item ///

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CHAIN OF CUSTODY

ITEM	DATE & TIME	RELEASED BY	RECEIVED BY	PURPOSE
A	02AUG06 1607	NAME (b)(7)(C)	NAME Evid Vault	(custody)
		ORGANIZATION NCTS-MPJX	ORGANIZATION MPJX	
		SIGNATURE (b)(7)(C)	SIGNATURE	
		NAME	NAME	
		ORGANIZATION	ORGANIZATION	
		SIGNATURE	SIGNATURE	
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		ORGANIZATION	ORGANIZATION	
		SIGNATURE	SIGNATURE	

ENCLOSURE (B)

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RESULTS OF EXAMINATION OF EVIDENCE BY USACIL LATENT PRINT BRANCH

1. On 21JUN06, Reporting Agent(RA) submitted items, previously seized by NCIS, with potential evidentiary value to the US Army Criminal Investigation Laboratory (USACIL) for examination. Participating Agent (PA) (b)(7)(C) prepared the Forensic Examination Request, which is appended as Enclosure (A).
2. On 02AUG06, USACIL returned the submitted items and provided the results of the examinations performed by the Latent Print Branch, which are appended as Enclosure (B).
3. RA reviewed the findings provided by the USACIL Latent Print Branch and made the following observations:

a) Item A, Evidence Custody Document (ECD) Log # 027-06, a handwritten document, recovered from the personal belongings of detainee ISN (Internee Serial Number): (b)(2) had one of V/AHMED's latent fingerprints on it. Detainee ISN: (b)(2) had been occupying Cell (b)(2) which shares a common metal mesh wall with V/AHMED's cell. This was the only latent fingerprint on this item suitable for identification. This document was previously translated, as memorialized in Reference (A), Exhibit (101), Enclosure (F); the author signed his name as "Ali Abdullah Ahman Naser AL SULLAMI".

b) Item A, ECD Log # 028-06, a handwritten document, recovered from the personal belongings of detainee ISN: (b)(2) had seven of V/AHMED's latent fingerprints on it. Detainee ISN: (b)(2) had been occupying Cell (b)(2) which is on the other side of the Alpha Cell Block and shares no common walls (immediate or removed) with any of the victim's cells. There were also six additional latent fingerprints on this item suitable for identification, but none were those of the other two decedents (V/AL ZHRANI, V/AL TABI). Additionally, there was one partial fingerprint and two palm prints suitable for identification. These remaining latent prints could be from the any of the three decedents but were made by those areas of the hands that were not captured in the record fingerprints submitted.

c) Item B, ECD Log # 028-06, a handwritten document, recovered from the personal belongings of detainee ISN: (b)(2) had seven of V/AL ZHRANI's latent fingerprints on it. Detainee ISN: (b)(2) had been occupying Cell (b)(2) (which is on the other side of the Alpha Cell

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Block and shares no common walls (immediate or removed) with any of the decedent's cells. There were also four other latent fingerprints on this item suitable for identification, but none were those of the other two decedents (V/AHMED, V/AL TABI). The three remaining latent fingerprints on this item may be from the any of the three decedents but were made by those areas of the hands that were not captured in the record fingerprints submitted for comparison.

d) Item C, ECD Log # 028-06, a handwritten document recovered from the personal belongings of detainee ISN: (b)(2) had one of V/AL ZAHRANI's latent fingerprints on it. Detainee ISN: (b)(2) had been occupying Cell (b)(2) (which is on the other side of the Alpha Cell Block and shares no common walls (immediate or removed) with any of the decedent's cells. There were also four other latent fingerprint on this item suitable for identification, but none were those of the other two decedents (V/AHMED, V/AL TABI).

e) Item A, ECD Log # 019-06, two latent print lifts from the sink in cell A-8, were suitable for identification (possible palm or toe prints) but were made by those areas of the hands and feet that were not captured in the record finger and footprints submitted for comparison.

f) Item A, ECD Log # 019-06, three latent print lifts from the sink in cell A-5, were suitable for identification (possible palm or toe prints) but were made by those areas of the hands and feet that were not captured in the record finger and footprints submitted for comparison.

g) Item A, ECD Log # 009-06, a handwritten note found on V/AL ZAHRANI's person, had three latent fingerprints on it suitable for submission to the Automated Fingerprint Identification Fingerprint System (AFIS). USACIL will notify NCIS if any matches are found. Also, four other latent fingerprints on this item were found but were not suitable for submission to AFIS and were not those of any of the three decedents (V/AL ZAHRANI, V/AHMED, V/AL TABI). The seizure and translation of this document was previously memorialized in Reference (A), Exhibit (94), Enclosure (A).

4. The documents listed supra in paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) were both seized and translated as previously detailed in Reference (A), Exhibit (101). At the time of seizure, the translator at the death scene, who was screening handwritten documents, as directed by RA, alerted RA to three separate, multi-page, handwritten documents in cell (b)(2) which appeared to be related to the deaths of V/AL ZAHRANI, V/AHMED, and V/AL TABI. Therefore, RA seized the documents as three separate items (A, B, and C) and recorded them on an ECD as such. Subsequently, RA submitted photocopies of the documents for translation. RA received formal translations of these documents and found that the translators had determined there were actually five separate documents, the translations of which are appended as Enclosures (B) through (E) of Exhibit (101). However, RA submitted the documents to USACIL under their original designations as Items (A), (B) and (C) from ECD Log # 028-06. Due to the discrepancy

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between the number of separate documents on the ECD (three) vice the number of separate documents identified by the translators (five), it is not possible to precisely cross-reference the author's names with the latent fingerprints on the documents. An Arab linguist will have to view the USACIL latent print examination digital images in order to precisely cross-reference the author's names with the latent fingerprints on the documents. However, the authors of the documents submitted under ECD Log # 028-06 signed the following names:

- (a) Ali Abdullah Ahman Naser AL ZAHRANI
- (b) Yasir Talal Abdullah AL ZAHRANI
- (c) Yassir Khillal ABDULLAH
- (d) Yassir Khillal ABDULLAH
- (e) Yassir Khillal Abdullah HIRATTI

5. USACIL Questioned Documents Branch findings remain pending and will be reported via separate correspondence at a later date.

PARTICIPANT(S)

(b)(7)(C) [redacted] Special Agent, Forensic Consultant Unit, NCISHQ

ENCLOSURE(S)

- (A) Forensic Examination Request/19JUN06
- (B) USACIL Memorandum/21JUL06

REPORTED BY: (b)(7)(C) [redacted]
OFFICE: NCISRA JACKSONVILLE, FL

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**NAVY CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE
FORENSIC EXAMINATION REQUEST**

To : USACIL
4930 North 31st Street
Forest Park, GA 30297-5025

From : NCISRA Jacksonville
(Address) P.O. Box 58
Jacksonville, FL 32212

Attn : Latent Prints/Questioned Documents

Brief description of case facts which would pertain to the requested examination and which may assist laboratory personnel in processing the evidence. Include date and place of crime.

See attachment.

Evidence Submitted:

ECD No.	Item	Item Description
		See attachment.

Examinations and/or comparisons requested (attach separate sheet if additional space needed):

See attachment.

Type of Offense:	Death
Suspect(s)	Victim(s)
	V/AL ZHRANI, YASSER TALAL
	V/AL TABI, MANA SHAMAN ALLABARD
	V/AHMED, ALI ABDULLAH

One copy of Evidence Custody Document enclosed? Yes No

Other evidence previously submitted for this case? Yes No

If Yes, list Laboratory Report No.:

Agency Case Control Number: 10JUN06-MPGT-0031-7HNA

Investigator's Name: (b)(7)(C)

E-Mail Address (b)(7)(C)

Office Telephone (Comm/DSN): +011-5399-4140

Fax Number : +011-5399-4130

Disposition of evidence after analysis/comparison:

Return Retain at RFL Forward to another field element

Considered priority of requested examination(s): Routine As soon as possible Urgent*

*** IF URGENT, SUPERVISOR'S EXPLANATION AND SIGNATURE REQUIRED ***

This case is considered high-profile with significant interest at the seat of government level. Respectfully request expeditious handling.

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Signature of Supervisor

The above-mentioned evidence has not been subjected to examination by other experts for the prosecution in the same scientific field as requested herein.

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Date of Request:

Signature of Requestor

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V/AL TABI, MANA SHAMAN ALLABARD
V/AHMED, ALI ABDULLAH
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Brief Summary of Events

On 10JUN06, between 0025 and 0043, three detainees were found hanging in their assigned cells within Alpha Block, Camp One, Camp Delta, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Members of the Joint Detention Group guard force found the detainees within their locked cells, numbered A-5, A-8, and A-12. Details of the three scenes were similar, suggesting the detainees planned the incident prior to its execution.

Evidence Submitted

Log # 009-06, Item (A)
Log # 010-06, Item (D)
Log # 011-06, Item (B)
Log # 013-06, Item (D)
Log # 016-06, Item (A)
Log # 017-06, Item (E)
Log # 018-06, Item (E)
Log # 019-06, Item (A)
Log # 020-06, Item (A)
Log # 023-06, Item (A)
Log # 025-06, Item (A)
Log # 027-06, Item (A)
Log # 028-06, Items (A), (B) and (C)

Examinations Requested

Latent Prints

1. Compare the latent prints under Log # 019-06, Item (A) and Log # 020-06, Item (A) to the known fingerprints and footprints of V/AL ZAHRANI and V/AHMED.
2. Examine the following items for the presence of latent prints. If found, compare to the known fingerprints of V/AL ZAHRANI, V/AHMED, and V/AL TABI, which are listed above. Note that Log # 027-06, Item (A) and Log # 028-06, Items (A)-(C) were found in two other cells, but are believed to have been authored by one of the victims. These cells belong to detainees

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Exclusionary fingerprints for these individuals are available through the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Log # 009-06, Item (A)
Log # 010-06, Item (D)
Log # 011-06, Item (B)
Log # 013-06, Item (D)
Log # 027-06, Item (A)

Log # 028-06, Items (A), (B), and (C)

Questioned Documents

1. Examine the following items for the presence of indented writing. If found, photograph the text for translation purposes.

Log # 009-06, Item (A)

Log # 010-06, Item (D)

Log # 011-06, Item (B)

Log # 013-06, Item (D)



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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21 July 2006

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE, NAVAL CRIMINAL
INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE, RESIDENT AGENCY JACKSONVILLE, POST OFFICE
BOX 58, NAS JACKSONVILLE, FL 32212

SUBJECT: Latent Print Branch - Final Report
USACIL Case Number 2006-CID131-1263
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EXHIBITS:

- 1 - Sheet of bond paper bearing handwritten entries in what appears to be a foreign language (Item A, Log 009-06).
- 2 - Sheet of bond paper bearing handwritten entries in what appears to be a foreign language (Item D, Log 010-06)
- 3 - Sheet of bond paper bearing handwritten entries in what appears to be a foreign language (Item B, Log 011-06).
- 4(1-2) - Two sheets of bond paper (Item D, Log 013-06).
- 5 - Record post mortem fingerprints of AL TABI_ISN 588 (Item A, Log 016-06).
- 6 - Record post mortem fingerprints of AHMED_INS 693 (Item E, Log 017-06).
- 7 - Record post mortem fingerprints of AL ZAHRANI_INS 093 (Item E, Log 018-06).
- 8(1-2) - Two lifts (Item A, Log 019-06).
- 9(1-3) - Three lifts (Item A, Log 020-06).
- 10 - Post mortem record footprints of AL ZAHRANI (Item A, Log 023-06).
- 11 - Post mortem record footprints of AHMED (Item A, Log 025-06).
- 12 - Sheet of lined notebook paper bearing handwritten entries in what appears to be a foreign language (Item A, Log 027-06).



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- 13(1-10) - Two sheets of lined notebook paper bearing handwritten entries in what appears to be a foreign language and eight sheets of bond paper bearing handwritten entries in what appears to be a foreign language (Item A, Log 028-06).
- 14(1-2) - Two sheets of lined notebook paper bearing handwritten entries in what appears to be a foreign language (Item B, Log 028-06).
- 15(1-4) - Four sheets of bond paper bearing handwritten entries in what appears to be a foreign language. (Item C. Log 028-06).
- 16 - Machine reproduction record fingerprints of MANEY, aka AL TABI, Maha; SHAMAN, Ali (FBI # 935704VB6) obtained from CJIS. Same fingerprints as Ex 5 (Al TABI).
- 17 - Machine reproduction record fingerprints of AL ZAHRANI (FBI # 377000WB1) obtained from CJIS. Same fingerprints as Ex 7 (Al ZAHRANI).
- 18 - Machine reproduction record fingerprints of AHMED, aka NASSER (FBI # 138189WB7) obtained from CJIS. Same fingerprints as Ex 6 (AHMED).

FINDINGS:

1. Examination of Exhibits 1 through 4 and 12 through 15 revealed seven latent fingerprints on Exhibit 1, one latent fingerprint on Exhibit 12, thirteen latent fingerprints, two latent palm prints and one latent partial (finger or palm) print on Exhibit 13, fourteen latent fingerprints on Exhibit 14, and five latent fingerprints on Exhibit 15 suitable for identification.
2. AHMED made the latent fingerprint on Exhibit 12 and seven of the latent fingerprints on Exhibit 13.
3. AL ZAHRANI made seven of the latent fingerprints on Exhibit 14 and one of the latent fingerprints on Exhibit 15.

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4. None of the individuals for whom record fingerprints were submitted or obtained made the latent fingerprints on Exhibit 1, the remaining latent fingerprints on Exhibit 13, four of the remaining latent fingerprints on Exhibit 14, and the remaining latent fingerprints on Exhibit 15.

5. Comparison of the record fingerprints of MANEY (aka AL TABI), AHMED, and AL ZAHRANI with three of the latent fingerprints on 14 was made insofar as possible without effecting an identification. Rolled record fingertips were not submitted.

6. Since no record palm prints were submitted, no comparisons were made with the two latent palm prints and one partial latent print on Exhibit 13.

7. Examination of Exhibits 8 and 9 revealed one latent friction ridge impression (possible finger, palm, foot or toe impression) on Exhibit 8 and one latent friction ridge impression (possible palm or foot impression) on Exhibit 9.

8. Comparison of the record footprints AHMED and AL ZAHRANI with latent friction ridge impression on Exhibits 8 and 9 was made insofar as possible without effecting an identification. Although the record footprints AHMED and AL ZAHRANI were of good quality, they lacked detail in areas needed to effect an identification or elimination

9. Three of the latent fingerprints from were Exhibit 1 suitable for Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) search and were entered into AFIS. Do not keep this case open pending AFIS results. USACIL will generate a laboratory report if the fingerprint is ever identified.

10. Images of the latent prints remain on file.

11. Two original reports have been produced. These reports were completed at or near the time of the forensic examination(s) and prepared in the ordinary course of business by the undersigned. These reports were made by the regularly conducted activity as a regular practice of the United States Army Criminal

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Investigation Laboratory. Point of contact is the Evidence Processing Branch, DSN 797-7082/7109/7110, Commercial (404) 469-7082/7109/7110, Fax DSN 797-4615, or Email: usacil@usacil.army.mil.

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION (OPEN)

11JUN06

DEATH (II)

CONTROL: 10JUN06-MPGT-0031-7HNA

V/AL ZAHRANI, YASSER TALAL/CIV
M/W/FNSA/N//26DEC83/SAUDI ARABIA
SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

COMMAND/JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA/31886

MADE AT/MPGT/GUANTANAMO BAY CUBA (b)(7)(C) SPECIAL AGENT

NARRATIVE

1. This is a reactive investigation initiated to determine cause and manner of death of V/AL ZAHRANI.

2. Investigative was initiated on 10Jun06, subsequent to the receipt of information from the Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (JTF-GTMO) Staff Judge Advocate (SJA) of the death of V/AL ZAHRANI, a detainee, within JTF-GTMO Camp Delta. V/AL ZAHRANI was found hanging inside his cell, within Alpha Block, Camp Delta, at approximately 0039, on 10Jun06, by Joint Detention Group (JDG) personnel. V/AL ZAHRANI was cut down by JDG personnel, placed on a backboard and transported to the Detention (DET) Clinic inside Camp Delta. DET Clinic medical personnel assessed V/AL ZAHRANI and initiated Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). A Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (NAVHOSP GTMO) ambulance responded to the DET Clinic and transported V/AL ZAHRANI to the NAVHOSP. Upon initiation CPR continued until V/AL ZAHRANI was pronounced dead at 0150. During a search of the person of V/AL ZAHRANI, a note written in Arabic was discovered. All movement of V/AL ZAHRANI from the death scene occurred prior to NCIS arrival on scene. Investigation continues.

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION (CHANGE)

17JUN06

DEATH (II)

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 SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

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 SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

V/AHMED, ALI ABDULLA H/CIV
 M/W/FNYM/N//01AUG79/YEMEN
 SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

COMMAND/JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA/31886

MADE AT/MPGT/GUANTANAMO BAY CUBA (b)(7)(C) SPECIAL AGENT

REFERENCE(S)

- (A) NCISRU GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA ROI (OPEN) /11JUN06
- (B) NCIS CASE FILE: V/AL TABI, MANA SHAMAN ALLABARD/CIV
CCN: 10JUN06-MPGT-0032-7HNA
- (C) NCIS CASE FILE: V/AHMED, ALI ABDULLA H/CIV
CCN: 10JUN06-MPGT-0033-7HNA

NARRATIVE

1. Subsequent to the transmission of reference (A), (B) and (C) it was determined by NCISHQ that it would be better to have only one investigation for the three deaths that occurred at Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (JTF-GTMO), Detention Facility. NCISHQ directed references (B) and (C) be closed and the victims from those investigations be added as additional victims to reference (A).

ACTION

DIST: Note addition of two additional victim titles.

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION (INTERIM)

25JUL06

DEATH (II)

CONTROL: 10JUN06-MPGT-0031-7HNA

V/AL ZAHRANI, YASSER TALAL/CIV

M/W/FNSA/N//26DEC83/SAUDI ARABIA

SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTM/ISN: 93/CELL A-8

V/AL TABI, MANA SHAMAN ALLABARD/CIV

M/W/FNSA/N//01JAN76/SAUDI ARABIA

SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO/ISN: 588/CELL A-12

V/AHMED, ALI ABDULLA H/CIV

M/W/FNYM/N//01AUG79/YEMEN

SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GMTO/ISN: 693/CELL A-5

COMMAND/JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA/31886

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SPECIAL AGENT

REFERENCE(S)

(A) NCISRU Guantanamo Bay ROI (Interim)/20Jun06 (Contains Exhibits 1-114)

EXHIBIT(S)

- (115) (S/NF) IA: Photographic Coverage of Death Scenes/ 17Jun06...(Copy All)
- (116) (S/NF) IA: Receipt of CITF Form 40 Titled "Preliminary Examination of ISN 693's Body"/23Jun06...(Copy All)
- (117) (S/NF) IA: Receipt of List of Detainee Suicide Attempts/ 14Jul06...(Copy All)
- (118) (U) IA: Results of Interview (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) 19Jun06...(Copy All)
- (119) (U) IA: Second Interview of (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) 20Jun06...(Copy All)
- (120) (U) IA: Review of SOP for Camp Delta, JTF-GTMO/22Jun06... (Copy All)
- (121) (S/NF) IA: Overheard Conversation of ISN 682/03Jul06...(Copy All)
- (122) (S/NF) IA: Results of Efforts to Identify (b)(6) 14Jul06...Copy All)
- (123) (S/NF) IA: Results of Efforts to Identify Names Mentioned in IA/ 05Jul06...(Copy All)
- (124) (U) Sworn Statement of (b)(3) (b)(6) 11Jul06...(Copy All)
- (125) (U) IA: Interview of (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) 11Jul06...(Copy All)
- (126) (S/NF) IA: Autopsy Photographs of V/AL ZAHRANI taken on 10Jun06/ 30Jun06...(Copy All)
- (127) (S/NF) IA: Autopsy Photographs taken of V/AL TABI taken on 11Jun06/30Jun06...(Copy All)
- (128) (S/NF) IA: Autopsy Photographs of V/AHMED on 11Jun06/ 30Jun06...(Copy All)
- (129) (S/NF) Request for Assistance/undated...(Copy All)
- (130) (S) Amended Request for Assistance/13Jun06...(Copy All)
- (131) (U) Amended Request for Assistance/17Jun06...(Copy All)

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- (132) (U) Request for Urgent Processing of Evidence in NCIS Case/19Jun06...(Copy All)
- (133) (U) Relinquished Control of Alpha Block/19Jun06...(Copy All)
- (134) (U) Air Lift Support/19Jun06...(Copy All)
- (135) (U) Translator Support/19Jun06...(Copy All)
- (136) (U) Request for Assistance/13Jun06...(Copy All)
- (137) (U) Request for Assistance/15Jun06...(Copy All)
- (138) (S) JTF GTMO Power Point Briefing/10Jun06...(Copy All)
- (139) (U) Security Classification Guide/21Sep05...(Copy All)
- (140) (S) E-mail w/ Subject: Proposed Final Placement for Hunger Strikers/19Jan06...(Copy All)
- (141) (U) Request for NCIS Investigation into Circumstance Surrounding the Detainee Suicides on 9/10 June 2006/03Jul06...(Copy All)
- (142) (U) Declaration of (b)(7)(C) undated...(Copy All)
- (143) (S/NF) Detainee Spreadsheet/undated...(Copy All)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. (U) Investigation was initiated on 10Jun06, subsequent to the receipt of information from the Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (JTF-GTMO) Staff Judge Advocate (SJA) of the death of three detainees, within JTF-GTMO Camp Delta. The three detainees were identified as V/AL ZAHRANI (ISN 093), V/AL TABI (ISN 588), and V/AHMED (ISN 693). V/AL ZAHRANI was found hanging by the neck inside his cell, in Alpha Block, Camp Delta, by Joint Detention Group (JDG) personnel. Subsequently, JDG personnel discovered V/AL TABI and V/AHMED also hanging by their necks inside their cells, in Alpha Block. All three victims were taken down and immediately transported to the Detention (DET) Clinic, inside Camp Delta. V/AL ZAHRANI was later transported via ambulance to the Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (NAVHOSP GTMO). V/AL ZAHRANI was pronounced dead at NAVHOSP GTMO. V/AL TABI and V/AHMED were both pronounced dead at the DET Clinic. Contact was made with the JDG Commander to get an overview of the situation. All three bodies were moved prior to NCIS arrival on scene. The death scenes were secured. All detainees were removed from Alpha Block and the entire Block was secured. Interviews were conducted with all JTF-GTMO personnel who had any dealings with the response and treatment of the three detainees. Apparent suicide notes were discovered in the clothing of all three victims. Interviews were conducted with all detainees assigned to Alpha Block. Death Scene examinations were conducted of the three cells where the victims were found hanging. Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP) personnel conducted autopsies at NAVHOSP GTMO, on all three victims.

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NARRATIVE

1. (U) This is a reactive investigation initiated to determine cause and manner of death of V/AL ZAHRANI, V/AL TABI and V/AHMED. No determination of a specific statute can be made at this time.

2. (U) On 10JUN06, between 1730 and 1945, PA (b)(7)(C) directed (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C), in photographic coverage of Camp Delta, Alpha Block, Cells Five, Eight and Twelve. Exhibit (115) is the photographic coverage of the death scenes.

3. (U) On 10Jun06, PA (b)(6) responded to the DET Clinic and conducted a preliminary examination of the bodies of V/AL TABI and V/AHMED. (b)(6) seized items of evidence and conducted photographic coverage of the bodies. The report regarding the examination of V/AHMED provided by PA (b)(6) with Enclosures is appended as Exhibit (116).

4. (U) On 13Jun06, (b)(3):10 USC §130b,(b)(6) Staff Judge Advocate, JTF-GTMO, provided a listing of the previous 44 suicide attempts, to include these three deaths, which had occurred at JTF-GTMO, Exhibit (117) pertains.

5. (U) On 19Jun06 and 20Jun06, PA (b)(7)(C) conducted separate interviews of (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) who on 10Jun06 had responded to the main entrance of Camp 1 where he stood and listened to the chanting going on in Alpha Block, by the detainees. At the time (b)(6) only thought the detainees were chanting as part of their religious activities, Exhibit (118-119) pertains.

6. (U) Between 17-22Jun06, PA (b)(7)(C) reviewed the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Camp Delta for sections that were potentially relevant to the three detainee deaths, which occurred on Alpha Block, Camp 1, Camp Delta. The SOP delineates policy, procedures, and responsibilities for the security, administration and treatment of detainees in custody at Camp Delta. In addition to the SOP manual, PA (b)(2) also reviewed guard mount messages written subsequent to the publication of the SOP manual for Camp Delta. Guard mount messages supercede the SOP manual and may present changes to the SOP, provide clarification of certain SOPs, or modify an existing practice due to changing circumstances. Guard mount messages are disseminated almost daily, and are published via the Detainee Information System (DIMS) and briefed to guards at the beginning of each shift, Exhibit (120) provides details.

7. ~~(S/NF)~~ On 21Jun06, (b)(6) was overheard talking about the suicides on Alpha Block and made comments about methods and time of the suicides, Exhibit (121) pertains.

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8. (S/NF) On 29-30Jun06, efforts were made to identify the names found on documents previously reported in Reference (A), Exhibits (95), (101), (104), and (105). The document found in cell A-8, referenced in Exhibits (95), (101), (104), and (105), was allegedly authored by (b)(6) (b)(6). Efforts to identify this person led to two detainees, ISN (b)(2) and ISN (b)(6) who had the name (b)(6). Exhibit (122) pertains. The documents found in cell (b)(2) (Exhibit 101 pertains) had names of (b)(6)

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were identified as having a similar name, Exhibit (123) pertains.

9. (S/NF) On 11Jul06, PA (b)(7)(C) interviewed (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) (b)(3) (b)(6) who provided details regarding ISN (b)(6) approaching him on 10Jun06 to ask questions about the suicides that had occurred in Alpha Block only hours earlier. (b)(3) provided a sworn statement, which is appended as Exhibit (124). ISN (b)(6) interview regarding this incident was previously reported in reference (A), Exhibit (92).

10. (U) On 11Jul06, PA (b)(7)(C) interviewed (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) (b)(3) JTF-GTMO, who provided information regarding the discovery of the "suicide note" on the person of V/AL ZAHRANI, while at the Detainee Acute Care Unit (DACU). (b)(3) (b)(6) explained he found the note in an inner shirt pocket on the body of V/AL ZAHRANI and passed it to (b)(3) (b)(3) (b)(6) JTF-GTMO, who placed it in a plastic bag, Exhibit (125) pertains.

11. (U) On 10Jun06, autopsies were conducted by AFIP on V/ZAHRANI, V/AL TABI, and V/AHMED at Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay. Autopsy photographs were taken by (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) Medical Photographer, AFIP, Exhibits (126) through (128) pertain.

12. (U) During the course of this investigation, several Requests for Assistance were submitted to Rear Admiral Harry HARRIS, Commander, Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay (JTF GTM). Exhibits (129) through (135) document those requests. Exhibits (136) and (137), document the responses from JTF GTMO. Exhibits (138) through (140) are documents received as a result of the Requests for Assistance. Of note, Exhibit (140) is a copy of an e-mail with a subject line of "Proposed Final placement for hunger strikers". This e-mail is not marked with any security classifications. However, it is being handled as Secret until a security classification review can be conducted.

13. (U) On 3Jul06, Rear Admiral HARRIS requested an additional NCIS investigation be conducted into the circumstances surrounding the detainee deaths, Exhibit (141) pertains. In furtherance of this

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request, and at the request of the Department of Justice, (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(C) NCIS Special Agent in Charge (SAC), South East Field Office (SEFO) Mayport, FL, provided a Declaration explaining investigative efforts, Exhibit (142) pertains.

14. (S/NF) A spreadsheet was created, as an investigative tool, to document the ISN, name, cell #, block, and Camp for each detainee at Camp Delta at the alleged time of the detainees' deaths, Exhibit (144) pertains.

15. (U) Investigation is pending receipt of the final autopsy report and any additional investigative requirements.

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M/W/FNSA/N//20DEC83/SAUDI ARABIA
SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE OF DEATH SCENES

1. (U) On 10JUN06 at 1730 hours, Combat Camera Photographer, (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) arrived at Camp Delta, Camp One, Cell Block Alpha to assist the Southeast Field Office (SEFO) Major Case Response Team (MCRT). Participating Agent (PA) (b)(7)(C) directed (b)(3) (b)(6) to photograph the exterior of Cell Block Alpha. Exterior photography was completed at 1745, Enclosure (1) pertains.
2. (U) At 1755, Reporting Agent (RA) directed (b)(7)(C) to begin photographing the interior of Cell Block Alpha, Enclosure (2) pertains.
3. (U) At 1805, RA directed (b)(7)(C) to begin photographing the interior of Cell Five of Cell Block Alpha, Enclosure (3) pertains. Photography of Cell Five was completed at 1820.
4. (U) At 1825, RA directed (b)(3) (b)(6) to begin photographing the interior of Cell Eight, Enclosure (4) pertains. Photography of Cell Eight was completed at 1845.
5. (U) At 1910, RA directed (b)(3) (b)(6) to begin photographing the interior of Cell Twelve, Enclosure (5) pertains. Photography of Cell Twelve was completed at 1945.

ENCLOSURE(S)

- (A) (S/NF) Photo Log and Photos of Exterior of Camp Delta, Camp One, Alpha Block
- (B) (S/NF) Photo Log and Photos of Interior of Camp Delta, Camp One, Alpha Block
- (C) (S/NF) Photo Log and Photos of Cell Five, Alpha Block, Camp One, Camp Delta
- (D) (S/NF) Photo Log and Photos of Cell Eight, Alpha Block, Camp One, Camp Delta
- (E) (S/NF) Photo Log and Photos of Cell Twelve, Alpha Block, Camp One, Camp Delta

PARTICIPATING AGENT(S)

(b)(7)(C), Special Agent, SEFO, Mayport, FL

REPORTED BY: (b)(7)(C) SPECIAL AGENT
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SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

RECEIPT OF CITF FORM 40 TITLED "PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF ISN 693'S BODY"

1. (U) On 16JUN06, Reporting Agent received the Criminal Investigation Task Force (CITF) Report of Investigative Activity, otherwise known as a "Form 40." The report was authored by (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(C) Special Agent, NCIS, who is currently assigned to the CITF, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The report is titled "Preliminary Examination of ISN 693's Body" and includes 2 enclosures. As documented in the report, the following evidence was seized and subsequently entered into the NCISRU Guantanamo Bay evidence custody system under log #011-06.

Item	Description
A	One hemostat with one white cloth
B	One 8½ x 11 sheet of paper with Arabic writing

2. (U) A photocopy of Log #011-06, Item B is attached as one of the enclosures of the CITF report, with the translation included in the body of the report.

ENCLOSURE

(A) ~~(S/NF)~~ CITF Report of Investigative Activity (Form 40)

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SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

RECEIPT OF LIST OF DETAINEE SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

1. (S/NF) On 13Jun06, (b)(3):10 USC §130b,(b)(6) provided NCISRU Guantanamo Bay with a list of the previous forty-four (44) suicide attempts, which had occurred at Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (JTF-GTMO), Detention Camps prior to 10Jun06, Enclosure (A).

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(A) (S/NF) JTF-GTMO Suicide Attempts/10Jun06

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SUPP: DETAINEE HELD AT JTF-GTMO

RESULTS OF INTERVIEW: (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

1. (U) On 19JUN06, reporting agent (RA) interviewed (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) (b)(3) (b)(6) civilian, to obtain information regarding three suicides by hanging, which occurred at Camp Delta, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, during the early morning hours of 10JUN06. (b)(3) (b)(6) advised that he was not present at Camp Delta when these suicides took place. (b)(3) (b)(6) stated that he had no information to provide. Details on this interview are provided below.

2. (U) RA met with (b)(3) in an interview room at NCISRA Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. (b)(3) advised that he works as an Arabic linguist in the cellblocks at Camp Delta. (b)(3) is a civilian employee of SOS, which is a division of Titan Corporation. During the early morning hours of 10JUN06, when the hangings took place, (b)(3) (b)(6) was at his residence, (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) onboard Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay. (b)(3) (b)(6) learned of the hangings on the evening of 10JUN06, when he came to the linguists' trailer at Camp Delta. (b)(3) (b)(6) learned of the hangings by talking to people at the trailer. (b)(7)(C) stated he had no further information to provide.

3. (U) (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) is available to answer additional questions upon request.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

NAME: (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

STATUS: Civilian

CITIZENSHIP (b)(3) (b)(6)

DOB: (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

POB: [REDACTED]

SSN: [REDACTED]

Title: Linguist

Employer: SOS (a division of Titan Corporation)

Residence: (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

Work Number: Contact at linguists' trailer, Camp Delta (does not know phone number)

Home Number: (b)(3) (b)(6)

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SECOND INTERVIEW OF ILYAS BELOUED

1. (U) On 20JUN06, reporting agent (RA) interviewed (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) (b)(3) (b)(6) civilian, in order to obtain information regarding detainee chanting that took place the Alpha Block of Camp 1 at Camp Delta, Joint Task Force, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (JTF-GTMO). (b)(3) (b)(6) was previously interviewed by PA (b)(7)(C) on 19JUN06 regarding his knowledge of the three detainee deaths that occurred in Alpha Block, during the early morning hours of 10JUN06. (b)(3) (b)(6) was not at the Camp at the time the three detainees were discovered, and did not provide information of evidentiary value during the 19JUN06 interview.

2. (U) The 20JUN06, interview took place in the NCISRA Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. (b)(3) (b)(6) advised that he works as an Arabic linguist in the cellblocks at Camp Delta. (b)(3) (b)(6) is a civilian employee of SOS, which is a division of Titan Corporation. On 09JUN06, (b)(3) (b)(6) worked the (b)(2) shift. 09JUN06 was the first Friday that (b)(3) (b)(6) had worked the evening shift. While (b)(3) (b)(6) was on duty, guards (NFI) called the linguist office and asked for an interpreter to translate detainee chanting taking place in Camp 1. According to the Cellblock Linguist Daily Activity Report Form filled out by (b)(3) (b)(6) he left the linguist office at 20:33 to listen to the chanting, and signed back in to the office at 20:40. Enclosure (A) pertains.

3. (U) (b)(3) (b)(6) stated that he stood inside the main entrance to Camp 1 and listened to the chanting for approximately two minutes. (b)(3) (b)(6) advised that the chanting was coming from the side of the Camp 1 in which Alpha block is located. (b)(3) (b)(6) stated that the chanting was loud, but that the only word he made out from the chanting was the word he spelled out as "yahodit." (b)(3) said that he had never heard this word before and did not know the meaning of the word. (b)(3) thought the word might be Pushti, Farsi or a combination of languages. After listening to the chanting, (b)(3) (b)(6) returned to the linguist trailer and asked one of the other interpreters on duty, if it was unusual for the detainees to chant in this manner. The other interpreter, an Arabic linguist named (b)(3) (b)(6) informed (b)(3) that on Friday nights the detainees often sing after night prayer, and noted they were probably chanting their "religious stuff." (b)(3) (b)(6) had (b)(3) step outside to listen to the chanting, but it stopped before (b)(6) could hear it. (b)(3) (b)(6) also attempted to look up the word "yahodit" in the Arabic book, but said it did not appear in the book.

4. (U) (b)(3) (b)(6) said it did not cross his mind that the chanting meant something bad. (b)(3) stated that he thought the detainees were

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just chanting on a religious topic or "maybe just having fun or chanting a reading together". (b)(3) noted that Muslims often chant during special times like Ramadan or at times when people gather together. He also pointed out that Muslims chant when somebody dies.

5. (U) (b)(3) (b)(6) is available to answer additional questions upon request.

ENCLOSURE(S)

(A) (U) Copy of (b)(3) Callblock Linguist Daily Activity Report Form filled out by BELVED/09JUN06.

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REVIEW OF STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR CAMP DELTA, JTF-GTMO

1. (U) Reporting Agent (RA) reviewed the Stand Operating Procedure (SOP) Manual for Camp Delta, Joint Detention Group (JDG), Joint Task Force, Guantanamo Bay Cuba (JTF-GTMO), for sections that are potentially relevant to the three detainee deaths which occurred in the Alpha Block of Camp 1 at Camp Delta, JTF-GTMO during the early morning hours of 10JUN06. The most recent fully revised version of the SOP manual was published in DEC05 by order of the Commander Jay W. HOOD Brigadier General, United States Army, Commander, JTF-GTMO, and Official (b)(3):10 USC §130b,(b)(6) Colonel, Military Police Commander, JDG. The SOP lays out policy, procedures, and responsibilities for the security, administration and treatment of detainees in custody at Camp Delta. Enclosure (A) is a complete copy of the SOP. In addition to the DEC05 SOP manual, RA also reviewed guard mount messages written subsequent to the publication of the SOP manual for Camp Delta. Guard mount messages supercede the SOP manual and may present changes to the SOP, provide clarification of certain SOPs, or modify an existing practice due to changing circumstances. Guard messages are put out on an almost daily basis, and are disseminated via the Detainee Information System (DIMS) and briefed to guards at the beginning of each shift. Enclosure (B) contains guard mount messages distributed from 23NOV05 to 12JUN06.

2. (U) In order to investigate the deaths of the three detainees, it is necessary to determine what SOPs were in place on 09JUN06 and 10JUN06, and then to determine the manner in which the SOPs were followed prior to and on the these dates. The procedures in place related to matters such as guard presence on the tiers, tier lighting, material hanging in detainee cells, habeas mail search policies, and other matters relevant to the investigation are addressed herein.

3. (U) The Detainee Information Management System (DIMS), supra, is used to annotate "everything related to a Detainee", and is detailed in Chapter 10, DOCUMENTATION AND DETAINEE INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, of the SOP manual. (b)(2)

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in the DIMS system.

4. (U) The presence of guards on the tier of Alpha block is addressed in the SOP, Chapter 8, Section 8-5, Paragraph (d) on page 28. The section states: (b)(2)

(b)(2)

5. (U) The procedure for headcounts and visual searches of the cells at night is addressed in Section 8-6.HEADCOUNTS, paragraphs (c) and (f) on page 28 and in Section 8-8.SEARCHES, paragraph (g), page 29. Section 8-6 states:

(b)(2)

c.

f.

6. (U) Section 8-8 states:

(b)(2)

g.

7. (U) The SOP for the search of habeas mail is contained in Section 8-8 (b), page 29, which states:

(b)(2)

8. (U) In order for detainees to have uninterrupted sleep at night, Section 8-14.SHOWER AND EXERCISE, paragraph (a) (b)(2)

(b)(2)

9. (U) The investigation into the detainee deaths to date, has raised concerns that detainees are communicating by passing mail and other papers to each other. Section 17-10 (b)(2)

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b.

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d.

10. (U) Chapter 30 of the SOP manual details the Emergency Action Plans (EAPs) for the Camp. Section 30-1. ATTEMPTED/ACTUAL SELF-HARM, pages 124 and 125, relays the procedures that are to take place when a (b)(2) the brevity code for a self-harm incident is called in the Camp, as it was in the early morning hours of 10JUN06. The section lists the notification process as well as the responsibilities of individuals and teams within the Camp, such as the Block Non Commissioned Officer (NCO), the CO, the Sergeant of the Guard (SOG), the Platoon Leader (PL), the Detention Operations Center (DOC), Incident Response Force (IRF) team members, medical staff and the Behavioral Healthcare Service (BHS). Enclosure (A), pages 124 and 125, contain the complete list of self-harm incident duties.

11. (U) Chapter 35. GUIDELINES FOR ATTORNEY VISITATION, also contains sections that are relevant to the investigation. It lists the materials attorneys are allowed to bring into detainee meetings, materials that may be taken out of detainee meetings, and delivery of legal and non-legal mail to detainees at GTMO. Section 35-1(a), page 176, (b)(2)

(b)(2)

12. (U) Appendix B of the SOP lays out matters of discipline within Camp Delta, and addresses the matter of linen hanging in the cells of detainees. Appendix B lists the comfort items allowed to each level of detainee (compliant, discipline and segregation), the ways in which the items may or may not be used, and the punishment for unauthorized use of items. (b)(2)

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13. (U) In addition to the SOP, guard messages (supra) relevant to

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activities on and leading up to the events of 10JUN06, have been entered into DIMS system subsequent to the DEC05 publication of the SOP.

14. (U) On 07DEC05 1103L, the following Guard Message entitled "DETAINEES COVERING HEAD WITH SHEET" was released. The message states: (b)(2)

(b)(2)

On 24MAY06, at 1144L, another guard mail message was sent out regarding detainees covering themselves with sheets. The 24MAY06, message, detailed proper guard response and detainee punishment for failing to comply with guard instructions on this matter. Enclosure (B), supra, pertains.

15. (U) On 27MAR06, 1118L, the following Guard Message entitled "DETAINEE SELF HARM NOTIFICATION" was released. The message states:

(b)(2)

16. (U) On 24MAY06, at 1627L, the following Guard Message entitled "UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARIES OF EVIDENCE & HABEAS MAIL" was released. The section of the message related to habeas mail states:

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17. (U) On 28MAY06, at 1701L, the following Guard Message entitled

(b)(2)

(b)(2)

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(b)(2)



18. (U) A follow up DIMS message was disseminated on 30MAY06, at 1057L, which noted that (b)(2)

(b)(2)



ENCLOSURE (S):

(A) (U/FOUO) Copy of the Stand Operating Procedure (SOP) Manual for Camp Delta of the Joint Detention Group (JDG), Joint Task Force, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (JTF-GTMO), Camp Delta.

(B) (U) Copy of Camp Delta, JDG, JTF-GTMO Guard Messages distributed from 23NOV06 to 12JUN06.

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INVESTIGATIVE ACTION: OVERHEARD CONVERSATION OF ISN (b)(6)

1. ~~(S/NF)~~ On 21Jun06, at approximately 2025, ISN (b)(6) was overheard talking about the "martyrdom operations" (the suicides on Alpha Block); which occurred on 09-10Jun06. ISN (b)(6) told an unknown detainee that sheets were used to hide the suicide victims from the guards and that it happened about 11 o'clock (2300).

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V/AL ZAHRANI, YASSER TALAL/CIV
M/W/FNSA/N//26DEC83/SAUDI ARABIA
SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

RESULTS OF EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY (b)(6)

1. (S/NF) On 06Jul06, Reporting Agent (RA) made efforts to further identify a name mentioned in Exhibit (105), Enclosures (B). This name is: (b)(6) The name was signed on a handwritten note found in the cell of V/AL ZAHRANI in (b)(2) A review by (b)(3) (b)(6) Criminal Investigative Task Force (CITF) of the Joint Detainee Information Management System (JDIMS) identified two detainees with the name (b)(6) as part of their name.

JDIMS search by name (b)(6) results were:

(b)(6) (Alias) (ISN (b)(2)

(b)(2),(b)(6)

2. (S/NF) On 11Jul06, RA contacted (b)(7)(C) Joint Detention Group (JDG), who checked JDG records to determine if V/AL ZAHRANI had been assigned in the same blocks as either ISN (b)(2) or ISN (b)(2) leading up to V/AL ZAHRANI's death on 10Jun06. (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) review of records indicated:

ISN (b)(2)
02Apr06 - Moved to (b)(2)
30May06 - Moved to (b)(2)

ISN (b)(1)
18May06 - Moved to (b)(2)
19May06 - Moved to (b)(2)
20May06 - Moved to (b)(2)
29May06 - Moved to (b)(2)
24Jun06 - Moved to (b)(2)

ISN 93 (V/AL ZAHRANI)
11Mar06 - Moved to (b)(2)
16Mar06 - Moved to (b)(2)
08Apr06 - Moved to (b)(2)
16Apr06 - Moved to (b)(2)
08May06 - Moved to (b)(2)

There did not appear to be any common Block assignments for V/AL ZAHRANI and either ISN (b)(2) or ISN (b)(2)

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SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

RESULTS OF EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY NAMES MENTIONED IN IA

1. (S/NF) On 29-30Jun06, Reporting Agent (RA) made efforts to further identify two names mentioned in Exhibit (101), Enclosures (C - E).

These names were: (b)(6)

(b)(6) A review by (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) Joint Intelligence Group (JIG) of the Joint Detainee Information Management System (JDIMS) failed to identify any exact matches for the two names. (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) conducted general searches for the names (b)(6) with the following results:

JDIMS search by name (b)(6) results were:

(b)(2),(b)(6)

JDIMS search by name (b)(6) results were:

(b)(2),(b)(6)

2. (S/NF) Exhibit (101), Enclosure (A) has a portion addressed to

(b)(6), who was identified in a JDIMS search as (b)(2),(b)(6) name appears again in Enclosures (C and D)). Enclosures (C and D) are addressed to ISN (b)(2),(b)(6)

3. (S/NF) The name (b)(6) which appear in Exhibit (101), Enclosures (A, C, and D) are identified as ISN (b)(2)

4. (S/NF) The letters found in (b)(2) all appear to be written by detainees. There is mention of the word brother in some of the letters. It may indicate a blood brother, but this term is used in the Muslim culture for other male members of the faith.

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STATEMENT

Place : NCIS GTMO
Date : July 11, 2006

I, (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) make the following free and voluntary statement to Special Agent (b)(7)(C) whom I know to be a Representative of the United States Naval Criminal Investigative Service. I make this statement of my own free will and without any threats made to me or promises extended. I fully understand that this statement is given concerning my knowledge of being approached by detainee ISN-156 on 10Jun06. (b)(3)

For identification purposes, (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) I am currently assigned to JTF-GTMO (b)(3) (b)(6)

On 10Jun06 between (b)(2), I was doing my random checks on (b)(2). All of the detainees that are housed on (b)(2) are on hunger strikes. I went by (b)(2) Cell located at (b)(2) and I opened his view port to see how he was doing. I asked (b)(2) how was he doing and he replied "alright". (b)(2) then asked me how many of my brothers died last night, one, two, or three? I replied, "I do not know what you're talking about" and I closed his view port and walked away. (b)(3) (b)(6)

I do not know how (b)(2) knew about the suicides that occurred that night. The detainees died around 0100, and he asked about the incident that morning. To my knowledge none of the other guards discussed the incident with anyone and the detainees are not allowed to talk to each other. These detainees are housed in (b)(2). We only open the view port to check on them during our (b)(2) checks. (b)(3)

This statement, consisting of this page and 0 other page(s) was typed for me by (b)(7)(C) as we discussed its contents. I have read and understand the above statement. I have been given the opportunity to make any changes or corrections I desire to make and have placed my initials over the changes or corrections. This statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. (b)(3) (b)(6)

Signature: (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11 day of July in the year 2006 at 1325

Witnessed: _____ (b)(7)(C)

Representative, Naval Criminal Investigative Service
AUTH: DERIVED FROM ARTICLE 136,
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11JUL06

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V/AL ZHRANI, YASSER TALAL/CIV
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INTERVIEW OF (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

1. (U) On 11JUL06, (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) was interviewed relative to a note that he found on V/AL ZHRANI, Internment Serial Number 0093 (ISN 0093). As background, (b)(3) is assigned as a Nurse for (b)(2), Joint Task Force, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. He is also assigned to the Detainee Acute Care Unit (DACU) when it is "stood-up" during an emergency situation.

2. (U) (b)(3) explained that on the night of 9-10JUN06, he responded to the DACU and assisted wrapping up the body of ISN 0093 for shipment to the Naval Hospital, GTMO. (b)(3) said that he cut the pants off 0093 and was picking up the shirt of 0093 to cut it off when he felt something he assumed was paper in the inside shirt pocket. (b)(3) stopped what he was doing and asked that an Army Major (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) who was waiting outside the DACU, be brought in. (b)(3) was wearing latex gloves. He removed a paper note from the pocket and handed it to (b)(3) (b)(6). He and (b)(3) (b)(6) then prepared an evidence custody document and (b)(3) (b)(6) placed the note in a plastic bag. (b)(3) did not know if (b)(3) (b)(6) was wearing gloves at the time.

3. (U) (b)(3) also stated that he witnessed an NCIS agent (SA (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(C) remove a similar note from the shirt pocket of ISN 693. This also occurred in the DACU.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

EMPLOYMENT: (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

SSN:

DOB:

RESIDENCE:

OTHER:

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SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

AUTOPSY PHOTOGRAPHS OF V/AL ZAHRANI TAKEN ON 10JUN06

1. (U) Autopsy photographs of V/Al ZAHRANI were taken by (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(3) (b)(6) Medical Photographer, AFIP, on 10Jun06. A CD rom of the photographs was provided to reporting agent and pertinent photographs were selected from the images on the CD rom and are attached below.
2. (U) IA is unclassified upon removal of enclosures.

ENCLOSURES

- (A) (S) Front view of V/AL ZAHRANI with medical life saving equipment
- (B) (S) Front view with face covered
- (C) (S) Back view with life saving equipment
- (D) (S) Front view without clothing or life saving equipment
- (E) (S) Back view before ligature is taken off, depicting length of ligature
- (F) (S) Left side profile view
- (G) (S) Right side profile view
- (H) (S) Right side profile view with ligature and medical equipment
- (I) (S) Left side view of ligature markings
- (J) (S) Right side area of neck showing ligature markings
- (K) (S) Back view of the neck showing ligature markings
- (L) (S) Left side view of neck with ligature markings
- (M) (S) Front view under neck showing ligature markings
- (N) (S) Right view under neck showing ligature markings
- (O) (S) Right view of ligature markings on neck
- (P) (S) View of the ligature markings under the neck
- (Q) (S) Front view of ligature markings under neck
- (R) (S) View under front of neck showing ligature markings
- (S) (S) Right side view of neck with ligature markings
- (T) (S) Front view of ligature on hands
- (U) (S) Side view of ligature on hands
- (V) (S) View of ligature on hands with evidence tag
- (W) (S) Ligatures on the ankles
- (X) (S) View of ligatures around the ankles
- (Y) (S) Tardieu spots shown on the ankles
- (Z) (S) Tardieu spots shown on the left leg
- (AA) (S) Inside of skull showing no fractures
- (BB) (S) Diffuse hemorrhage into the muscles of the neck
- (CC) (S) Close up of hemorrhage in the neck
- (DD) (S) Close up of hemorrhage in neck
- (EE) (S) Soft tissue hemorrhage in left lateral wrist
- (FF) (S) Ligature from around ankles with evidence tag
- (GG) (S) Ligature from around hands and wrists

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(HH) (S) Ligature from around neck

(II) (S) Ligature from around neck

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AUTOPSY PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN OF V/AL TABI ON 11JUN06

1. (U) Autopsy photographs of V/AL TABI were taken by (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) (b)(3) (b)(6) Medical Photographer, AFIP on 11Jun06. A CD rom of the photographs was provided to reporting agent and pertinent photographs were selected from the images on the CD rom and are enclosed below.
2. (U) IA is unclassified upon removal of enclosures.

ENCLOSURES

- (A) (S) Front view of V/AL TABI with clothing and medical equipment
- (B) (S) Back view of V/AL TABI with clothing medical equipment
- (C) (S) Front view without clothing
- (D) (S) Back view without clothing
- (E) (S) Right profile view
- (F) (S) Left profile view
- (G) (S) Right side profile view of ligature markings on neck
- (H) (S) Front view of ligature markings under neck
- (I) (S) Left side view of ligature markings on neck
- (J) (S) Back view of neck showing ligature markings
- (K) (S) Close view of ligature markings
- (L) (S) Close up view of back of neck showing ligature markings
- (M) (S) Left side close up view of ligature markings
- (N) (S) View of back of neck
- (O) (S) View of inside of skull
- (P) (S) View of ligature that is braided
- (Q) (S) View of ligature
- (R) (S) Ligature that was found on floor of cell
- (S) (S) Braided ligature that was found on cell floor
- (T) (S) Braided ligature found on cell floor
- (U) (S) Shirt taken off V/AL TABI at autopsy
- (V) (S) Pants taken off V/AL TABI at autopsy

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AUTOPSY PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN OF V/AHMED ON 11JUN06

Autopsy photographs of V/AHMED were taken by (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) Medical Photographer, AFIP, on 11Jun06. A CD rom of the photographs was provided to reporting agent and pertinent photographs were selected from the images on the CD rom and are enclosed below.

ENCLOSURES

- (A) Front view of V/AHMED with clothing and medical equipment
- (B) Back view of V/AHMED with clothing and medical equipment
- (C) View of the lower portion of the back of the legs with ligatures
- (D) View of the back of the waist showing ligature
- (E) View of back of V/AHMED without clothing
- (F) View of front with waist ligature
- (G) Right profile view
- (H) Full front profile view
- (I) Left profile view
- (J) View of front of teeth and mouth
- (K) Right side of neck showing ligature markings
- (L) Right view of neck showing ligature markings
- (M) View of ligature markings under neck
- (N) Left view of ligature markings on neck
- (O) Left view of ligature markings on neck
- (P) Back view of ligature markings
- (Q) Front view of ligature markings
- (R) Front view of ligature markings
- (S) Close up view of right side of neck with ligature markings
- (T) Close up view of ligature markings
- (U) Close up view of ligature markings
- (V) View of hemorrhaging in neck muscles
- (W) View of inside of skull
- (X) Left leg depicting tardieu spots
- (Y) Ligature around ankles
- (Z) Shirt taken off of V/AHMED
- (AA) Pants taken off of V/AHMED
- (BB) Under shirt and underwear taken off V/AHMED
- (CC) Ligature taken from waist with evidence tag
- (DD) Ligature taken from legs with evidence tag
- (EE) Ligature found on cell floor
- (FF) Braided ligature
- (GG) Braided ligature
- (HH) Braided ligature found on cell floor
- (II) Braided ligature found on cell floor

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