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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2009 12:05 PM  
**To:** 'Clint Hendler'  
**Subject:** RE: FW: embed questions, Columbia Journalism Review

Clint;

That's all we have here at OSD; that data originates in Central Command and your best chance for getting an answer would come from them.

Regards,

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**From:** Clint Hendler [mailto:cmhendler@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2009 11:55 AM  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: FW: embed questions, Columbia Journalism Review

Thanks, (b)(6)

Is there Iraq embed data available going back before jan 2007? Ideally, I'd like data all the way back to the start of the conflict.

On Mon, Aug 10, 2009 at 11:44 AM, (b)(6) wrote:

Clint;

Per our discussion, Iraq media embed statistics are attached. For additional info on the current program, I recommend he contact the embed programs in Iraq and Afghanistan. Info is available at:

Iraq:

[http://www.mnf-iraq.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=10215&Itemid=144](http://www.mnf-iraq.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=10215&Itemid=144) <[http://www.mnf-iraq.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=10215&Itemid=144](http://www.mnf-iraq.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=10215&Itemid=144)>

Afghanistan:

[http://www.cjtf82.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=359&Itemid=294](http://www.cjtf82.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=359&Itemid=294) <[http://www.cjtf82.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=359&Itemid=294](http://www.cjtf82.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=359&Itemid=294)>

Will forward Afghanistan stats when I get them.

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Subject: embed questions, Columbia Journalism Review

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We've been in touch before in regards to the reform of media access to the transfer ceremonies at Dover AFB, but today I'm looking for a little information on the embed process. If you aren't the right person to address this topic, I'd appreciate a referral to someone more on target.

My  
questions:

- 1) Is there data available that tracks the total number of embeds granted (by year or by month, I'm thinking) since the start of operations in Iraq and Afghanistan?
- 2) I'd like to know a little more about the evolution of the Ground Rules Agreement journalists sign before embarking on an embed. My understanding is that the document was originally one page, but at some point since the beginning of the war it became more detailed, and is now four pages. When did this change happen? Would it be possible to get copies of the current embed ground rules, as well as the version (or versions) in use at early stages?

I've just left you a voice mail with the same request (albeit in less detail), but am trying your email as well in case that's a better way to reach you.

Thanks so much,

Clint Hendler

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