

**Al-Rasheed Hotel Window Update (U)**

**(S//NF) Purpose.** To respond to DEPSECDEF questions concerning possible suspicious activity at the Al-Rasheed Hotel.

**(S//NF) Issue.** Allegations of a "pattern" to movement of the window curtains at the Al-Rasheed Hotel, as a signal or code, prior to the 25 Oct 03 rocket attack.

**(S//NF) Bottom Line.** CJTF-7 has not uncovered any specific information to confirm that the opening/closing of the window curtains was a code or signal.

**(S//NF) Background.**

- AFOSI CONUS interviewed an Army COL/06, source of the allegation. He confirmed the window curtains were left open when he returned to his hotel room the evening of 25 Oct 03, the night before the rocket attack.
  - The curtains had never been left opened during his four months on-site.
- FBI is the lead investigative agency concerning the hotel rocket attack. Investigation continues.

**(S//NF) Recommended Action.** CENTCOM and CJTF-7 are aware of Joint Staff and DEPSECDEF interest and will provide updates on this issue when investigative results are released by FBI.

**(S//NF) Conclusion.** Threats to CPA personnel have been mitigated due to their relocation to other facilities.



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