



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
4TH INFANTRY DIVISION (MECHANIZED)
TIKRIT, IRAQ
APO AE 09323-2628

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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20 March 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJ [REDACTED] Headquarters and Headquarters
Company, 1-8th Infantry Battalion, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division
(Mechanized)

SUBJECT: Reprimand for Obstruction of Justice

1. You are hereby reprimanded for wrongfully impeding a criminal investigation division (CID) investigation into the drowning death of an Iraqi citizen by members of the battalion. Specifically, you instructed soldiers in A Company, 1-8th Infantry Battalion, to deny that two civilians were pushed into the Tigris River which was totally false. Your conduct was wrongful, criminal and will not be tolerated.
2. Good order and discipline requires leaders to live and enforce standards of conduct we expect from our soldiers. In the 4th Infantry Division, we have an inherent trust in our commanders to do the right thing which you violated. Your conduct is a poor example for other soldiers to follow. As a commissioned officer, I expect much more from you. Your actions have brought discredit upon you, 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, the Officer Corps, and the United States Army. Your violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice casts severe doubts on your suitability for leadership in the U.S. Army.
3. This reprimand is imposed IAW Article 15, UCMJ and will be filed in conjunction with DA Form 2627.

RAYMOND T. ODIERNO
Major General, USA
Commanding

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