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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

FROM: COL Britton Mallow, Commander, Criminal Investigation Task Force, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060

SUBJECT: (U) Interview Techniques

1. (U) Purpose: Provide additional guidance to Criminal Investigation Task Force (CITF) agents regarding the use of various techniques and methods for conducting interviews of the Detained Persons (DPs) held in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and in the CENTCOM AOR.

2. (U) Guidance: The President's 7 Feb 2002 POTUS memo states, "As a matter of policy, the United States Armed Forces shall continue to treat detainees humanely and, to the extent appropriate and consistent with military necessity, in a manner consistent with the principles of Geneva". Therefore, CITF will employ interview methods or techniques that are consistent with the Geneva protections and the President's memo. These methods are designed to ensure that all information from DPs is taken voluntarily.

3. (U) Acceptable Methods: The following interview techniques and methods are in compliance with the President's memo and may be utilized by agents assigned to CITF.

- a. Prolonged interviews: To the extent that the DP is provided adequate food, sleep and restroom breaks, 12-hour interviews are acceptable. The DP should be permitted 4 hours of rest between each 12-hour interview session. The DP can be interviewed for 72 consecutive days using this rest schedule.
- b. Interrupted sleep: As opposed to deprivation, it is acceptable to interview a DP during the early morning or late evening hours. This is designed to catch the DP when he is less guarded, not to wear down the DP into confessing.
- c. Deception: Stateside this is a judicially approved method. This includes use of false intelligence, false information attributed to other DPs, false indication of physical or forensic evidence as to a DP, false link analysis charts, false representations as to the identity of the interrogators, etc.
- d. Incentives: Any type of reward or incentive within our authority to provide. This may include meals, reading materials, relocation to another cell (or alternate facility should that become available), maximum security units (only as an incentive), comfort items, physical exercise, and similar incentives.
- e. Props: Use of maps, photos, passports, videotapes, the DPs property (assuming no threat is made to destroy or harm that property).
- f. Pressure: Tough cop routine. As long as there is no physical harm or threat to the DP, the tough cop routine does not present a problem.

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4. ~~(S//NF)~~ Unacceptable Methods: The following interview techniques and methods are not necessarily in compliance with the President's memo and may not be utilized by agents assigned to CITF.

- a. Threats: Any overt or implied threat against the DP or his family. Not just threats of immediate harm, but also threats to deny medical treatment, food, shelter, etc. This should not preclude an agent from indicating that a DP may be held on the island for an undetermined amount of time unless he truthfully cooperates.
- b. Promises: To the extent we cannot deliver. Would apply to incentives for which we have no authority, and may be viewed as coercion.
- c. Discomfort: Our agents will not adjust the heat or air conditioning in the interview room to cause unnecessary discomfort. CITF agents will avoid any form of physical contact designed to cause physical discomfort (as opposed to simply putting one's hand on a DP's shoulder). Nor will DP's restrained to the floor be required to stand or kneel during an interview. This will not preclude the use of methods designed to cause non-physical irritation, such as playing music the DP finds distasteful.
- d. Sensory deprivation: CITF will not use the maximum-security units or other forms of sensory deprivation as a method of extracting info (msu may be used as an incentive, see above).

5. Conclusion: The CITF agents will use methods and techniques that comply with the President's memo, and specifically designed to ensure all information from DPs is provided voluntarily.

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