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The captioned matter was initiated when U.S. military forces, participating in Operation Enduring Freedom, captured armed Taliban and Al-Qa'ida fighters involved in hostile actions in Afghanistan. Under executive authority, these individuals were captured, disarmed and rendered back to United States Naval Base, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (GTMO). There are currently over 600 detainees located at GTMO, with additional detainees expected to arrive in the immediate future.

The U.S. military is operating a Joint Intelligence Interrogation Facility (JIIF) at GTMO. Within the JIIF is the Criminal Investigative Task Force (CITF), which is tasked with conducting interviews of the detainees. The CITF is made up of representatives from the Army Criminal Investigation Department, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, and the Air Force Office of Special Investigations. Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agents, along with members of the CITF, are tasked with conducting interviews of the detainees, preparing cases for presentation to military tribunals, performing analytical functions, liaising with foreign police and intelligence services, and sending out leads. Supervisory Special Agents, Special Agents, Intelligence Research Specialists, Investigative Analysts, Electronic Technicians, Technically Trained Agents, Language Specialists, Contract Linguists and other support personnel have been detailed to GTMO since January, 2002 in support of this effort. FBI staffing for this commitment has consisted of a designated squad from the Miami Division, a rotation of CIRG personnel, and experienced TDY personnel from various divisions.

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The current breakdown of FBI personnel at GTMO is as follows:

SSA: 1
Case Agent 1
Administrative Agent: 1
BAU 1
Interviewing Agents: 17
IRS: 1
IA and IMA: 2
Bureau Linguists 2
ET: 1
MVO: 1
Total personnel assigned: 28

As of 10/31/2002, there has been a total of 2,787 interviews conducted at GTMO. There has been a total of 1,800 FD-302s generated as a result of these interviews. The discrepancies between the total number of interviews and FD-302 generated is due to the fact that initially more than one interview was documented on an FD-302.

Pursuant to a request from Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters (FBIHQ) to coordinate all FBI behavioral-related support to the detainee interview process at the United States Naval Base, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (GTMO), an assessment team from the Behavioral Analysis Unit (BAU), National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime (NCAVC), Critical Incident Response Group (CIRG), traveled to GTMO and conducted an on-site review.

The BAU team solicited information from the FBI Acting Special Agent in Charge and FBI case agent as well as the U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Army commanders heading the operation at GTMO. The BAU also obtained information from various other sources encountered during their stay, including Military Police (MPs), Military interrogators, agents from the Criminal Investigative Task Force (CITF), FBI agents, analysts and others, who were able to provide not only procedural information regarding their specific area of operations, but unique insights and opinions, which proved extremely valuable to the BAU assessment team. The following documents the findings of that team.
I. Observations and Recommendations

The ongoing operations at GTMO represent an unprecedented challenge to the military, law enforcement, and intelligence services of the United States. There are no previous models that replicate this unique situation and no easy or obvious answers to some of the issues that confront the decision-making process. Coordinating the dual missions of safely securing the detainees, while at the same time attempting to solicit useful information from them, creates special challenges.

The observations, opinions, and recommendations prepared by the BAU as a result of the previously documented interviews and facility tours, as well as personal observation, are documented as follows:
FBI personnel are currently attending a one week training course at Fort Belvoir, Virginia prior to their deployment to Guantanamo.