

SWORN STATEMENT

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LOCATION CAMP BUCCA, IRAQ (UMM QASAR)	DATE 17 FEB 04	TIME	FILE NUMBER
LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	GRADE/STATUS 03	
ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS 310th MILITARY POLICE BATTALION, CAMP BUCCA, IRAQ (UMM QASAR), AE APO 09375			

I, [REDACTED], WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

Q. What are the accountability procedures of detainees at Camp Bucca?
A. Detainees are counted twice (at a minimum) on a daily basis during feeding times. Each detainee is counted by ISN. The detainees are moved into the front holding area. As each detainee moves in, the compound control team physically counts the detainee using a clicker. One compound control member controls the movement into the holding area as the other CCT member counts the detainees on a clicker. Once the count is verified, the detainees are counted back out and checked off on an ISN manifest. If there is a discrepancy, the SOG and NCOIC are informed immediately. The roving patrol teams come to the compound to help conduct a second and third count until 100% accountability is obtained. Once a count is believed to be off or short, it is assumed that a detainee has escaped. The chain of command is immediately informed and full alert status is placed into effect until the count is corrected. Additional counts are used as needed for poor visibility or suspected missing detainees. The detainee count procedure was adapted for the 724th MP BN in which we replaced. The accountability procedures were placed into SOP. Since our arrival at Camp Bucca, no formal accountability procedures were sent from the 800th MP BDE.

Q. Can you explain the detainee escapes?
A. (SEE ATTACHED DOCUMENTS ON DETAILS OF ESCAPE) After each escape, the brigade was immediately informed on the incident, the detainees missing (by ISN and photo). Once a detainee is discovered missing, the brigade is informed and then followed up with a complete SIR. In addition, photos were distributed to the British forces in the area and local Iraqi police department.

Q. What training has been conducted for the combat support MP companies?
A. ONCE ASSUMING THE MISSION FROM THE 724TH MP BN, I SAT DOWN WITH THE OPERATION SERGEANT OF THE 988TH AND 977TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY TO INCLUDE MY OPERATIONS NCO FROM THE S-3 SECTION. WE SPECIFICALLY PULLED TASKS FROM SOLDIER'S MANUAL AND TRAINER'S GUIDE MOS 95C INTERNMENT/RESETTLEMENT SPECIALIST SKILL LEVELS 1/2/3/4. IN ADDITION, FM 3-19.40 IR OPERATIONS AND AR 190-8 ENEMY PRISONERS OF WAR WERE USED AS GUIDELINES FOR OPERATIONS. RULES OF ENGAGEMENT CLASSES WERE CONDUCTED BY THE JAG AND NCO CHAIN OF COMMAND. FURTHERMORE, THE SAME TRAINING PLAN WILL BE USED FOR THE INCOMING FIELD ARTILLERY UNITS COMING TO REPLACE THE MILITARY POLICE UNITS. (SEE ATTACHED).

Q. What are the uniform standards in Camp Bucca and what is your opinion of it?
A. A. Soldiers are instructed to be in proper uniform at all times. There are only two authorized uniforms which are the DCUs or APFT uniform. While a soldier is going into the Internment Facility or going off post, every soldier must be wearing their protective vest and Kevlar helmet. At no time will a APFT uniform be worn at the internment facility or off post. There is a camp policy that allows soldiers to wear civilian clothing in the MWR tent on Friday and Saturdays. In my opinion, I disagree with this policy. While deployed it is crucial to maintain military bearing and professionalism. Allowing a civilian cloths policy slowly diminishes the core of military bearing and discipline. There are too many KBR workers in civilian cloths on the base camp and it can be confusing with soldiers in civilians clothing from a security point of view.

Q. What is the APFT standard on Camp Bucca and what is your opinion of it?
A. A. Most of the enlisted and officers officially do PT and take the APFT test IAW the standards. However, several senior officers and NCOs do not take the APFT. This is a breakdown in leadership and sets a poor example for soldiers. Soldiers see that certain senior leaders do not take the test and show a poor attitude towards the army because the standards are not enforced from the top down. In my opinion, this seriously affects the command climate of troops. In addition, we as leaders are hypocrites if we hold our soldiers to a different standard. Furthermore, there is an integrity problem when OER's and NCOER's reflect these senior leaders passing the test when they never took it. This has been going on for years.

Q. What standards have you received from the 800th Military Police Brigade?
A. Most recently, we received a standard on transporting detainees within theater. Most of our deployment was training Iraqi correction guards. We have been working the internment facility mission for the last 30 days.

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_____, HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1 AND ENDS ON PAGE 1. I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE ENTIRE STATEMENT MADE BY ME. THE STATEMENT IS TRUE. I HAVE INITIALED ALL CORRECTIONS AND HAVE INITIALED THE BOTTOM OF EACH PAGE CONTAINING THE STATEMENT. I HAVE MADE THIS STATEMENT FREELY WITHOUT HOPE OF BENEFIT OR REWARD, WITHOUT THREAT OF PUNISHMENT, AND WITHOUT COERCION, UNLAWFUL INFLUENCE, OR UNLAWFUL INDUCEMENT.

(Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 17 day of February, 19____ at Building 4, Camp Bucca (Umm Qasar)

_____, MAJ, MP
310th MP BN, Camp Bucca, Iraq 09375

(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

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