



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment
10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry)
(b)(1)(demo) Iraq APO AE 09376

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

(b)(2)Low(demo)

27 FEB 05

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Death of (b)(6)(demo)

1. On 30 JAN 2006 members of a patrol from 3/C/2-22 IN shot and killed a local national woman named (b)(6)(demo). The patrol shot the woman because she fired at dismounted members of the patrol who were attempting to maneuver on a planned target house in search of a known insurgent.

2. On 30 1150 JAN 2006, while performing dismounted reconnaissance, SFC (b)(6)(demo) SGT (b)(6)(demo) and PFC (b)(6)(demo) were fired upon by (b)(6)(demo). The initial fire consisted of three single shots followed by three three-to-four round bursts. The rounds impacted the trees near the men showering them with bark and splinters. The location they took fire from was approximately 50 meters away at the corner of a dwelling near the original target. The men returned well aimed fire and watched the target fall. CPT (b)(6)(demo) Commander of C/2-22 IN, was 50 meters away from the recon element and received the initial report of the element taking fire and 1 enemy KIA.

3. CPT (b)(6)(demo) reported the initial contact to higher and moved to the location of SFC (b)(6)(demo) dismounted element. SFC (b)(6)(demo) pointed out the direction and source of the enemy fire. 1LT (b)(6)(demo) Platoon Leader of 3/C/2-22 IN then repositioned his two gun trucks up and the rest of his dismounted squad in order to support SFC (b)(6)(demo). SFC (b)(6)(demo) then observed and reported three additional AIF move to the location of the enemy firer. At this time SFC (b)(6)(demo) position started taking fire from another house about 250 meters away. SFC (b)(6)(demo) returned fire and marked the new enemy location with tracer fire. The enemy fire was sporadic: 1 to 2 rounds per minute. This back and forth exchange lasted for about 10 minutes. SFC (b)(6)(demo) SGT (b)(6)(demo) and PFC (b)(6)(demo) SPC (b)(6)(demo) and PFC (b)(6)(demo) all returned fire at the second location. At this time (b)(2)Low(demo) Attack Aviation arrived to assist. CPT (b)(6)(demo) marked the target locations with my PEQ-2 laser to allow observation and target acquisition. The enemy fire ceased at the same time Attack Aviation arrived. (b)(2)Low(demo) then reported 4 and 3 individuals moving around the respective target houses we had received fire from. The area to the east towards the enemy was blocked by a fence and a canal. CPT (b)(6)(demo) ordered the patrol to reposition northeast of the target to RTE (b)(1)(demo) in order prepare to clear the objective. At this time the BN QRF (Mechanized Infantry) was given the order to support 3/C/2-22 IN actions to clear the 5 houses in the target area.

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4. When C/1-121 (M) QRF platoon arrived, CPT (b)(6)(demo) briefed them on the enemy situation and discussed the options for getting across a 400 meter open area to reach the target. CPT (b)(6)(demo) decided to move 3/C/2-22 IN onto the objective in Bradley Fighting Vehicles. CPT (b)(6)(demo) also moved his Gun Trucks to the southeast of the objective to a support by fire position. The C/1-121 section of BFV's then attacked directly across the open field and dropped the dismounted squads at the target under the control of 1LT Henry. 3/C/2-22 IN then cleared all 5 houses and discovered the body of the initial shooter, (b)(6)(demo). Spent round casings and ejected rounds were found near the body but no weapon was recovered. Tactical questioning of the individuals remaining in the target area revealed nothing conclusive. CPT (b)(6)(demo) assessed that there was time and opportunity for the enemy to break contact prior to our clearing of the objective area. This is consistent with enemy attempts to disrupt our movement in order to enable High Value Targets to escape from a targeted building.
5. No payment is recommended as a result of 3/C/2-22 IN actions on 30 JAN 2006.
6. POC is the undersigned (b)(6), (b)(2)Low(demo) Email: (b)(6), (b)(2)Low(demo)

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