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Known insurgents hide in 5 houses (all have DIIRs on them)

AFTER 2100 (SOURCE COMMENT-- THE INSURGENTS TELL THE RESIDENTS THEY WILL BE KILLED IF THE RESIDENTS DO NOT LET THEM STAY). THE INSURGENTS ARE DIRECTED TO HIDE IN THE HOUSES BY ((HAMID)), THE OWNER OF ONE OF THE HOUSES.

COALITION FORCES SHOULD STOP USING TANKS WHEN CONDUCTING OPERATIONS. THE INSURGENTS ARE ALERTED BY THE NOISE OF THE TANKS AND THEY RUN AWAY BEFORE COALITION FORCES GET THERE.

Recommend C co or A co Air assault raid.
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9. I WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

On 09 MAR 06 @ 2200 I inflit my sniper team. We set into OP Vic around 0200 on 10 Mar 06. During the night we set up our hide. During the day we observed the OBJ Axe.

As the attacking element was moving in we set into a position that best supported the mission. When the mission kicked off around 0600 we observed and covered their movements. During the operation we received the call to fire a warning shot at 2 males fleeing the scene. I acting as spotter put on target and instructed him to fire a warning shot about 2 feet in front of the men. fired a single shot and I observed dirt on the burn in front of them fly up as without the one male I could see due to the ground. We then observed a figure move back toward the OBJ Axe.

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

That on the 11th of March 2006 I was moving with the Ground Assault Convoy for Operation Lumberjack Swagger. During this time I was the reporting element for [REDACTED] to the Battalion. This allowed me to listen to both the traffic on the company net and the battalion net. Just after the assault element began to move forward from the assault position our Viper element saw two personal moving around in the Northern portion of our objective looking like they were trying to ex-fill from the area. I also heard the JTAC say the airplanes on station said that they looked to be very suspicious and were trying to get away. Viper said that they tried to get him to stop, and that they wouldn't. Viper then asked permission to fire. [REDACTED] then told them to shoot a warning shot in order to turn them around. After the shot Viper lost contact with one of the individuals, but still saw the other moving north. Later 1SG was moving on to the objective from the west found a dead body. I called that traffic up to battalion mike. After further analysis [REDACTED] and the snipers decided the cause of death was from a ricochet shot that struck the individual in the head. I then called this into battalion. Battalion asked me to have them investigate further and try and see if we could find the ricochet point and take pictures of that point. I relayed the information to [REDACTED] After further investigation they reported finding a rock on the berm that looked chipped. This is what was believed to have caused the round to ricochet up striking the individual. [REDACTED] then reported he was photographing the area. Later speaking with [REDACTED] he told me that the way the round impacted the individual it hit the base on one side and exited the top on the other side. He said that it looked like a ricochet from that because of the angle of impact and exit.

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On the 11th of March at 0300Z, myself and (C6) were in observation of Operation Lumberjack Swagger vic grid Vegas 83 (CAS) was on station at 0100Z. Vegas 83 had "eyes on" a squinter that was walking from house 7 to a canal that was on the west side of house 7. He moved back and forth at least three times. About 10 minutes later I heard a shot coming from my three o'clock (N), immediately C6 stated "warning shot, just a warning shot" and he also stated that on the radio as well. The Sniper team (Viper) stated that there were two teenage individuals walking from house 7 to the north about the same time. I also remember Viper stating that the two movers did a 180 and headed back into house 7 once the shot was fired. About 30 minutes after this, I was controlling Vegas 83 and the pilot reported a lone squinter, (Smokey) moving to the north along a canal, IVO where the first mover was spotted. C6 relayed this info to Viper to get his eyes on, as well as the fire-team that was dispatched as well. I heard another shot IVO Viper's OP, but I'm not sure of the timeline, I was concentrating on controlling the CAS ISO finding Smokey to the north of the objective. Approximately 45 minutes later myself and C6 moved north to make contact with the body that THT 808 had reported earlier. Once we found the male LN, we investigated the area and found no suspicious activity around his body. C6 then ordered Viper to come to us. arrived on-scene and began to answer pertinent questions about his shot he explained that he spotted or ordered the shooter to shoot about two feet from his head a warning shot at the mover to the north. More questions were answered however I was not monitoring, because I was still controlling CAS at that time. About 10 minutes into their conversation, someone brought up the fact that maybe a "ricochet" off the berm was the cause of the head-shot. NESTR
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Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Commissioner, authorized by law to administer oaths, this 19th day of October, 18---.
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IN TRACK JOODEE AT 0403Z VS83 REFUELED WITH PYTHON45 (KC-135R), FL260, IN TRACK JOODEE. AT 0450Z VS83 REFUELED WITH PYTHON25 (KC-135R), FL220, IN TRACK JOODEE. FROM 0543-0650Z VS83 OPERATED IN TUSKEGEE AIRSPACE, 16-18K FT MSL, CTRL ANTIDOTE42 (JTAC). DURING THIS TIME VS83 WAS TASKED TO RECCE THREE HOUSES AND ONE BOAT SEE DYNAMIC NTISR. AT 0543Z VS83 RTB WITH NFR/

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That on 11 March 2006 around 0100 I moved my squad from the island to the assault position with the rest of the dismount element. About 0610 11 March 2006 I got the green light to assault house number 3. Once house number 3 was secured and the detainees were secure we pulled security on the objective for gold platoons dismounts to clear house number 2. I heard a single shot fired while my squad was clearing house number 3. I heard on the radio that the sniper team fired a warning shot. As gold dismounts moved to take house 4 there was a single shot fired at a dog. Once gold dismounts secured house number 4 and had security my squad took house number 6 which was empty. My squad pulled security for gold dismounts to take and clear house 5. My squad then moved to take house number 7. During the movement to house seven there was another shot fired. That shot had a particular sound as if it impacted something. Again the radio traffic said it was a warning shot by the sniper team. Once my squad cleared house 7 I posted security for gold dismounts to take another house in the vicinity of house number 7. Once gold cleared that house they were guided onto two civilians walking away from the objective by the sniper team and the JTACs. At this time the THT team with carnivore 7 walked into the objective area due to their vehicles getting stuck. The THT team and carnivore 7 entered the objective in the vicinity of house number 7. While approaching the objective they called out they found a dead civilian. I approached their position and observed one civilian with a gunshot wound to the head. The THT team and carnivore 7 got the grid and moved to house number 3 to talk to the detainees. 1 then linked up with Carnivore 6 his KTO along with the JTACs to move back to the location of the body. I met us at the body to try and figure out what happened. No one was tracking any enemy KIAs on the objective. I said that it had to be a ricochet and that the sniper team did not target anyone one the objective. I then said that I remained approx 2 feet in front of the individuals running from the objective area for a warning shot. He said he had seen the dirt kick up from the shot and that both individuals had gotten down and that he could see one individual keep low and run the opposite way. I added that the third shot sounded as if it ricocheted or impacted a target. At that time I returned to house number 3 to check on my squad.
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**AFFIDAVIT**

I, [Redacted], have read or have had read to me this statement which begins on page 1 and ends on page 2. 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.

**WITNESSES:**

[Redacted]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 12th day of March 2006 at Fort Irwin, California.

**ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS:**

[Redacted]

Typed Name of Person Administering Oath

Authority To Administer Oaths

Initials of Person Making Statement

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On 09 Mar 06 I was a member of a 4 man sniper team tasked to observe OBJ AXE for a time period leading up to a raid on the objective being conducted by members of C Co; one the raid began the sniper team would then provide overwatch and act as a security element for the raiding elements.

Our 4 man sniper team SP'd from the Island location where C Co has a base of operations at 2200 on 09 Mar 06, and marched to our position overwatching OBJ AXE. We arrived in position around 0200 on 10 Mar 06 and began observation of the target area. We kept the target area under observation throughout the day and night of 10 Mar 06; our sniper team noticed suspicious activity by several males during the course of the day. The early morning hours of 11 Mar 06 consisted of preparing for the raid and continuing the observation.

C Co's assaulting elements were beginning to be in place by 0500 on 11 Mar 06, and the sniper team got into position for the raid by placing the two M24 SWS's in different firing positions focusing on different areas of the engagement area. I was on the M24 which overwatched the first target house as my left limit and my right limit was the end of my visibility across a field to our north. The sky was clear with 2 to 3 mph winds, visibility was good.

The raid began at about 0605 on 11 Mar 06 with C Co elements entering the first house. I kept an active scene of the engagement area staying one house in front of the attacking units to avoid friendly fire. I received word from my spotter that there were 2 personnel moving away from the objective and that we should fire a warning shot at them. I spotted the 2 personnel moving towards the open field on my right limit. I took aim at theburn just in front of the lead person. I fired the round and both personnel started running and I saw the 2 personnel drop to the ground. I thought I saw both personnel get up and start walking back to the objective. I continued to scan the area for possible personnel leaving the scene and received over the radio that two other personnel were leaving the scene. I spotted the two personnel entering the open field and placed the cross hairs 2 to 3 feet in front of them. When my spotter also on target I fired one warning shot and watched both personnel jump to the ground, the two personnel then got up and walked back towards the objective. Approximately 15 mins later we received word that there was another male leaving the scene and that he was also crossing the open field. I scanned around and found the person at the same time that the spotter for the other M24 locked on to him. I placed the cross hairs 5 feet in front of the person and received word that he was over 500m away. I fired a warning shot and watched the person go down. I continued to watch the person until a squad of the assaulting unit reached him. I then watched the squad escort the person back to the holding area.

We radioed in that we were leaving our position and moved up to a Bradley Fighting Vehicle for our extraction. We then walked over to the location of the body, and observed the location of our hide sight from the body. We waited for IP personnel to come check the scene then resumed for extraction.
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(Signature of Person Making Statement)

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(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

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9. I WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

From 09 Mar 06 until 12 Mar 06 I was tasked out with a 4 man sniper team in support of Co's assault on Obj Axe. The 4 man team consisted of 1 team leader 2 shooters and a security/second spotter. The sniper team departed from Co's base of operations on the Island at 2200 on the night of 09 Mar 06; we performed a ground insertion arriving at our overwatch point and setting into position between 0100 and 0200 on the morning of 10 Mar 06.

We then began observation of the area around objective Axe, which continued throughout the day and the next night. During the day we observed suspicious activity concerning several males moving through the village.

The raid was scheduled for sunrise on 11 Mar 06 at approximately 0400 and were preparing to move to the objective. At this time we moved out of our observation point and moved to the two spots we would use during the assault. Where the other spot covered the 2 buildings we believed were the main focus of the objective while the spot that I was covered the entire objective and a large open field to our right of the objective. I was the shooter and the mission team leader was my spotter.

The raid started at 0625 on 11 Mar 06 with the assaulting element tricking in the first door I started scanning from the beginning of the second building through the end of the objective. After the first building was cleared the assaulting element began moving towards the second building and

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I shifted my coverage to the end of the second building until the end of the objective. Before the assaulting element entered the building we heard a shot fired. The assaulting element called up that they had shot a dog. When the assaulting element had entered the building I heard my spotter call to me that they had someone walking away. I began scanning and he told me that they wanted a warning shot fired on the person. When I got on target I noticed that there were two personnel walking away from the objective. I placed my cross hairs in front of the lead male and pulled the trigger to hear a click and realized there was no round in the chamber. I quickly cycled the bolt and drew the cross hairs towards the target. I went to place the cross hair in front of the target and pulled the trigger, not knowing for sure if the cross hair was on the target or in front of the moment of fire. The recoil of the rifle made the scope rise from lower and on to position. I began scanning that general area and saw one man get up and I thought I saw another man get up and start walking back towards the objective.

Approximately 5 mins later I was told that there were two more individuals moving away from the objective I found them quickly and noticed that they were a lot closer to my position than the other group I had fired upon. I noticed that these 2 personnel were children and carefully placed the cross hairs on the ground even with their feet and half way between them. I fired the round and watched the lead male dive to the ground and the second male to roll forward onto the ground. The two males again got up and walked to the collection station the assaulting element had set up.

As the assaulting elements were on the final house my spotter had told me there was another male leaving the area. I scanned the field and noticed a male near the end of the open field at a distance I knew was almost twice the distance of my other shots. The spotter and myself of the other sniper unit in our town had moved over to our arm on the second spotter shot a laser range on the target.
and saw him wave he was over 500 meters away. I placed the cross hairs at head level and 3 dots in front of the male and pulled the trigger. The man hit the ground and did not move until 1 squad of the assaulting element came to pick him up. I pulled security on the squad as they returned to the the collection point and prepared to move to our extraction point.

So, they were moving to the extraction point and all 4 of us moved to a Bradley waiting in the village.

Nothing follows.

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(Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES:

NCO 1-67 AIR
FOB Issaariyah, Iraq

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 13th day of March 2006 at FOB Issaariyah, Iraq

(Signature of Person Administering Oaths)

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I, MATTHEW RINIKER, WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

My task for Operation Lumberjack Swagger was C6R. We arrived at Carnivore Island on 10 March 06 in preparation for our movement to the Attack position. We moved out from Carnivore Island on 10 March 06 to the move into our positions. I was monitoring the Company net and calling up STIREPS to Carnivore Mike and had contacts with the sniper element (Viper 1) throughout our movement. We got set in the SBP at 0500hrs and waited for the Ground Assault Convoy’s arrival to launch the raid. The assault element thought they saw the arrival and C6 told them to execute. As they progressed they fired one warning shot at a dog and I relayed that to all Carnivore elements. JTAC was with us and they had direct contact with CAS and were overwatching for any personnel trying to flee. They identified one person moving back and forth from the canal and target House 7. As the assault element continued they observed two individuals leave the House 7 and move north away from our element. C6 told Viper 1 to fire a warning shot to get them turned back. They executed and it sounded to me like a solid thwack. As the raid continued the air assets observed two teenage males trying to leave C6 once again told Viper 1 to fire a warning shot to turn them around. Viper 1 reported they turned around after the shot and headed back to the middle of the objective. At this time we moved from the SBP to House 3 where the detainees collection point was. At this point C6 tried to link up with C7 and other Ground Assault Convoy elements. The air assets observed one male continuing northeast trying to leave the objective. C6 instructed Viper 1 to fire a warning shot after the reported he continued to move. C6 then instructed Gold 1 to action on him and bring the individual back. They moved to the individual and detained him for questioning. I then monitored traffic from C7 reporting a body found by the canal. I tried to get the location but could not reestablish contacts with C7. We moved on the road south of the objective to link up with C7 but C5 told us C7 had moved north. We then proceeded back to House 3 and linked up with C7 and he told us the location of the body. We moved to the body and realized the individual had been shot recently as the blood was fresh. C6 then told Viper 1 to collapse their position and move to our location to sort out what had taken place. Viper 1 moved to our location and verified they had fired the warning shots two feet in front of the individuals. We then relayed to Dealer Mike that we needed IP's to police up the body. We then moved back to House 3 to see if the detainees were being processed. We linked up with C7 at House 3 and observed a white bongo truck moving to the body. We moved back to the body and secured it till the IP’s arrived six hours later.

END OF STATEMENT

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10. EXHIBIT

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9. STATEMENT (Continued). We then observed 2 young males fleeing the scene. We then engaged them in the same manner with a warning shot. They turned around and moved back to the 083 Axe. We then received the call for an individual fleeing to the North. [Redacted] then fired a warning to stop that man. It worked and the Gold 1 element was able to secure him. After that we heard across the net that there was an enemy KIA. We then extracted back to the Bradley Fighting Vehicle. [Redacted] then took me to the body in order to show him the distance and direction of the shot. We found were the bullet hit [Redacted].

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I, [Redacted], HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1, AND ENDS ON PAGE [Redacted]. 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.

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