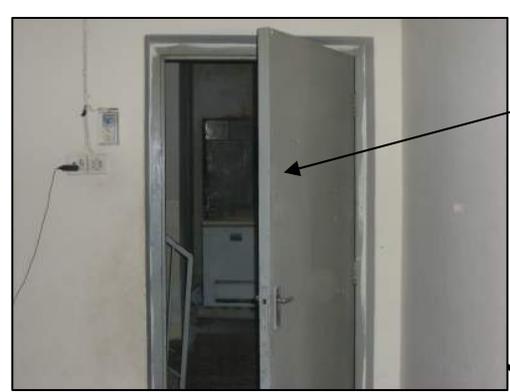


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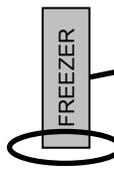
Ricochet marks on back of door



(b)(6)

Mr. he was injured

(b)(6)



Bullet holes in the freezer

Bullet marks on wall



Mr.

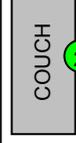
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COUCH



COUCH

Mr. was located when he engaged him.

b)(6)

c)(e)

FRONT DOOR

FOYER

Mr.

Mr.

Mrsp)(6)  
c)(e)

(6)



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Mr.



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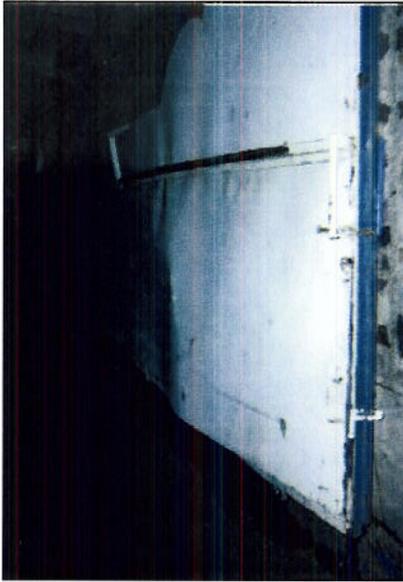
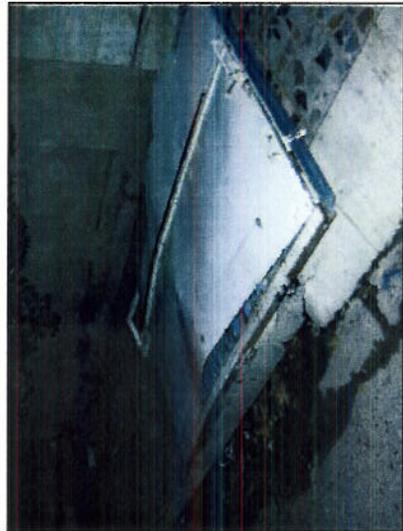
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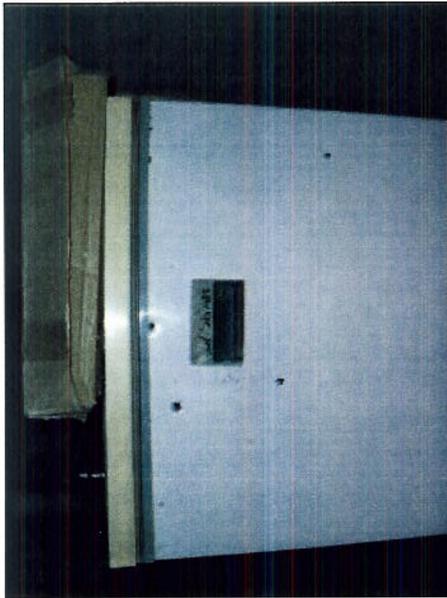
**Damage to**

(b)(6)

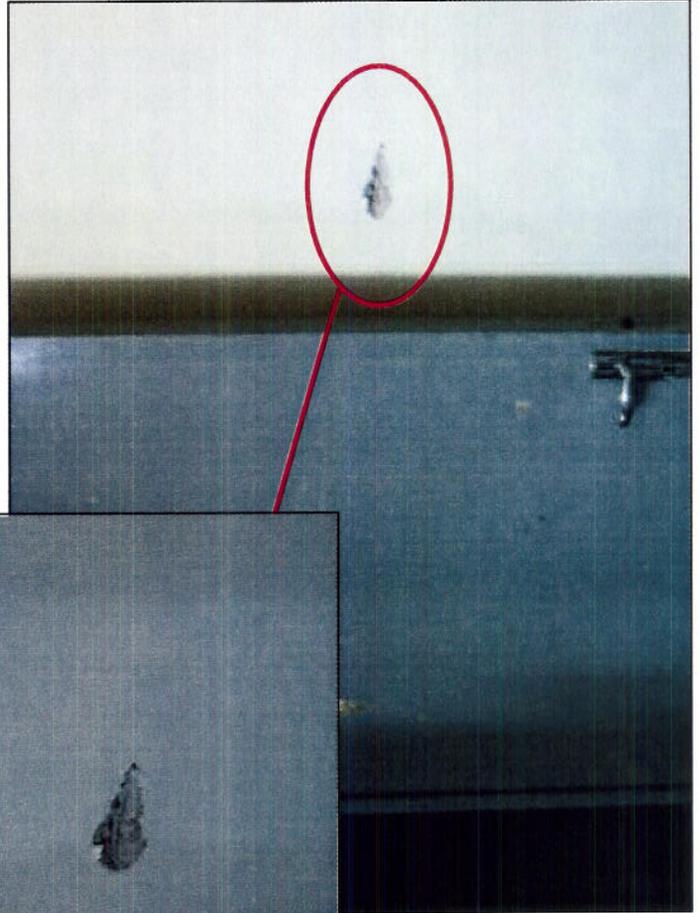
**Damaged outer gate**



**Bullet holes in freezer**

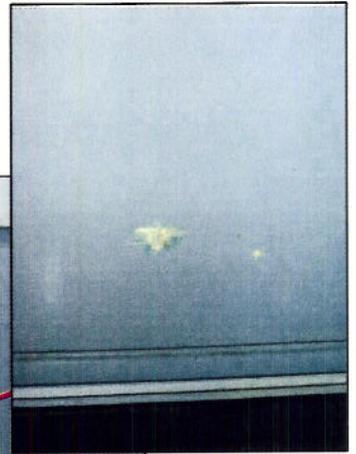
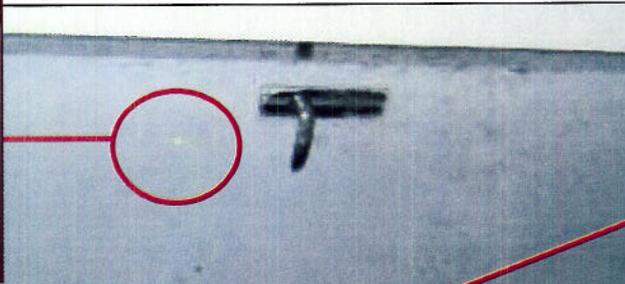


**Bullet hole in wall next to door**

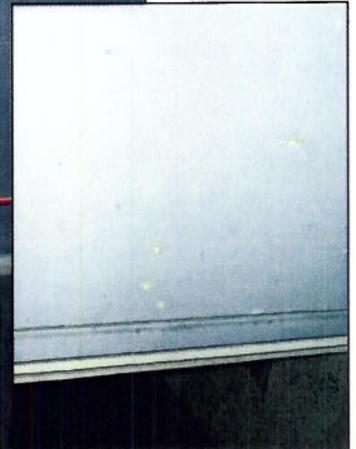
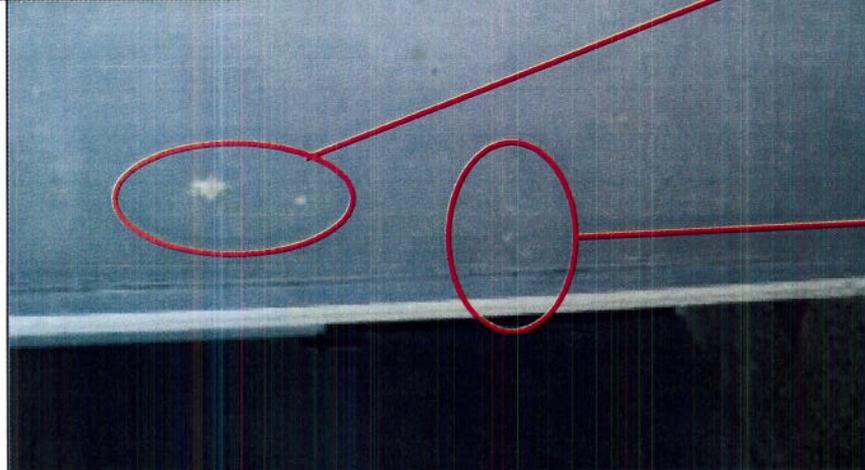


(b)(6)

**Damage to**



**Ricochet and bullet holes in door**





REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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15TH BRIGADE SUPPORT BATTALION  
2ND BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM, 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION  
FOB FALCON, BAGHDAD, IRAQ  
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22 January 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Conversations between Investigating Officer and CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) Hotel and MAJ (b)(3), (b)(6) Purple, Executive Officer, 2-12 Infantry Battalion

1. The following facts are the result of conversations between the investigating officer and CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) Hotel on 13, 14, and 21 January 2007 and MAJ (b)(3), (b)(6) Purple on 21 January

(b)(2)High **Why did the officers decide to bust down the door in (b)(2)High if this was not the target house?** CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) Hotel made the decision to enter based on the time sensitive nature of the tip: kidnap victim; the fact that often times delivered with tips are incorrect; and that (b)(3), (b)(6) Hotel was the house adjacent to (b)(6) and the only other house on the street that had the lights on at 0100 in the morning.

(b)(3), (b)(6)

(b)(2)High, (b)(3)(b)(6)

(b)(3), (b)(6)

3. **Why did SGT (b)(2)High Ech fire 7 rounds?** SGT (3), (b)(6) Ec fired until he no longer saw a threat. The arm (b)(3), (b)(6) Ec no longer appeared in the doorway. The IO believes this is because (b)(6) Mr. Alpha was injured. SGT (3), (b)(6) Ec entered the house with his weapon on safe and switched the weapon to semi automatic (b)(3), (b)(6) Ec firing.

a. **Why didn't any hit if he was trying?** (b)(6) Mr. Alpha had a natural defilade behind the open door. That coupled with the lack of light (b)(3), (b)(6) Ec's room may have contributed to his not hitting (b)(6) Mr. Alpha.

b. **Was the injury to the gentlemen caused by a direct hit or a ricochet?** According to the amount of damage to (b)(3), (b)(6) Ec's angle of (b)(6) Ec's shot on the wall, it seems that whatever caused the injury to (b)(6) Mr. Alpha was a ricochet rather than a direct hit.

c. **SGT (3), (b)(6) Ec said "civilian man fired 3 times unsuccessfully."**

i. **Was the SGT getting fired at and just misfires or no ammo in the pistol?** When the pistol was recovered it was empty and no rounds were found in the area.

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ii. ***If so, why did he wait till the guy fired three times before he fired?*** SGT (3), (b)(6) Ec wanted to positively identify that it was a weapon prior to firing. He also had a momentary hesitation reviewing the rules of engagement in his mind prior to firing.

(b)(3), (b)(6) the undersigned at VOIP 678-7067 or SIPR

(b)(3), (b)(6) Charlie

Investigating Officer

I fully understand the contents of the entire memorandum above. The statements are true. I have made the statements freely without hope of benefit or reward, without threat of punishment, and without coercion, unlawful influence, or unlawful inducement.

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