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FORWARD OPERATING BASE BOSTICK, AFGHANISTAN

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: 15-6 Investigation Statement of (b)(6)

On 22 October 2009, I, CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) interviewed (b)(6) at FOB Bostick, Afghanistan. The primary purpose for this interview was to ascertain (b)(6) actions and involvement during the attack on COP Keating on 3 October 2009. (b)(6) serves as an Afghan National Army soldier. He has been in the Afghan National Army (ANA) for approximately one year. He spent approximately six months at COP Keating prior to the attack on 3 October 2009.

(b)(6) was on the front line of the ANA position on their side of COP Keating. He was walking when the initial attack began. He remembers being engaged with heavy weapons. (b)(6) and other ANA soldiers tried to engage the enemy fighters that were attacking from their side of the COP Keating. However, they were unable to suppress the heavy enemy fire and enemy fighters breached the wire on their side of the COP. He along with other ANA soldiers retreated back to an area where U.S. soldiers were positioned. He stayed with the U.S. soldiers during the rest of the attack. (b)(6) states that he knows of three ANA soldiers that died and approximately nine that were injured. He approximates that there were 300 to 400 enemy fighters engaging the COP from all sides. He also remembers seeing six dead enemy fighters near the river. He also remembers that approximately seven ANA soldiers were taken by the insurgents. However, he also states that these ANA soldiers had gone outside the wire during the attack. After the attack, (b)(6) was airlifted back to FOB Bostick along with 18 other ANA soldiers. Before the attack, (b)(6) states there were approximately 46 ANA soldiers positioned at COP Keating.

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

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