

## SWORN STATEMENT

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### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

**AUTHORITY:** Title 10, USC Section 301; Title 5, USC Section 2951; E.O. 9397 Social Security Number (SSN).

**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE:** To document potential criminal activity involving the U.S. Army, and to allow Army officials to maintain discipline, law and order through investigation of complaints and incidents.

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**DISCLOSURE:** Disclosure of your SSN and other information is voluntary.

1. LOCATION FOB BOSTICK, AFGHANISTAN	2. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 2009/10/20	3. TIME 1900	4. FILE NUMBER
5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME (b)(3), (b)(6)	6. SSN (b)(6)	7. GRADE/STATUS E6/AD	
8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS TRP B, 3RD SQN-61ST CAV REGT, 4IBCT-4ID, APO AE 09354			

9. I, SSG (b)(3), (b)(6), WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

1. WHAT IS YOUR DUTY POSITION?  
Aid Station NCO

2. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN IN THE ARMY? HOW LONG IN COUNTRY FOR THIS DEPLOYMENT?  
I have been in the Army for 9 years. I deployed on 22 May 2009.

3. DO YOU HAVE PRIOR COMBAT DEPLOYMENTS? IF SO, WHEN AND WHERE?  
OEF May03-NOV03, OIF June2004-June2005, OIF AUG2006-NOV2007, OEF May2009-Pres

4. WHERE WAS YOUR BATTLE POSITION ON 3 OCTOBER 2009 AT COP KEATING?  
Aid Station (labeled number "4" on the map)

5. WHAT WERE YOUR ACTIONS DURING THE FIGHT?  
On 03OCT09 around 0600, I awoke to the sound of an RPG going off. At that time, I got up and put my gear on and got the aid station ready for casualties. Around that time, SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) and SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) came to the aid station. I heard over the radio that they needed a medic in the Shura Building ("1"). At that time, CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) threw me the aid bag and I ran out the door. When I got to the Shura Building, I found SGT Joshua Kirk lying on the floor. As I ran up, I shook his shoulder and yelled his name, but he was unresponsive. When I did my blood sweep, I found massive bleeding coming from his neck and the back of his head. I wrapped his head and yelled for a litter team. I cut his gear off and placed him on the litter. As we were moving back to the aid station, SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) and a team from Blue platoon were laying down fire for our move. When we got to the aid station, we redressed the wound to his head and CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) placed a King LT and I ventilated him. While treating him, 5 ANA wounded came into the aid station. Myself and CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) continued to work on SGT Kirk while SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) and SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) treated the 5 ANA wounded. Around 0630, SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) and SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) dragged SPC Michael Scusa over to the aid station. CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) went over to him and pronounced him dead. CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) and SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) took him to the back of the aid station and placed a body bag over him. At around 0645, CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) called SGT Kirk's time of death. Around that time, IS (b)(3), (b)(6) came into the aid station to inform us that there were AAF in the wire. SPC (b)(3), (b)(6) and CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) covered the front door of the aid station; then SSG (b)(3), (b)(6) (Air Force) covered the back door while myself and SGT (b)(3), (b)(6) treated the ANA walking wounded. We received 3 US walking wounded at around this time. We received the ANA soldier with a GSW to the knee treated him and got him stable. During the treatment of the ANA soldier, the body of SPC Christopher Griffin came into the aid station. CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) called his time of death at 1030. CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) and I placed him into a body bag and moved him back with the others. At this point, we needed to make more room in the aid station so we moved the US walking wounded to the TOC and placed the ANA Soldier with the abdominal evisceration on the board walk (our overflow area outside the aid station).

10. EXHIBIT	11. INITIALS OF (b)(3), (b)(6)	NT	PAGE 1 OF <u>3</u> PAGES
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ADDITIONAL PAGES MUST CONTAIN THE HEADING "STATEMENT OF \_\_\_\_\_ DATED \_\_\_\_\_"

THE BOTTOM OF EACH ADDITIONAL PAGE MUST BEAR THE INITIALS OF THE PERSON MAKING THE STATEMENT, AND PAGE NUMBER MUST BE INDICATED.

STATEMENT OF SSG (b)(3), (b)(6) TAKEN AT 1900 DATED 2009/10/20

9. STATEMENT (Continued)

We were still holding the ANA Soldier when we got the call saying they were bring down an urgent US soldier, SPC Stephan Mace. We moved the ANA soldier to the board walk to make room for SPC Mace. When we got SPC Mace, we cut off all of his clothes and found a open tib fib fracture to his left leg, an abdominal wound and multiple lacerations to his legs and arms. I placed a tourniquet over the one already on his leg and then removed the one below. SG (b)(3), (b)(6) plinted his left ankle, CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) and SP (b)(3), (b)(6) looked for a IV site. After many failed attempts at an IV, CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) placed a fast one (IO). We started a bag of 500ml of Hextend. After that bag was finished, the IO went bad and we could not put anymore fluids into it. Again we tried to get an IV but with no luck. CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) then tried an easy IO to his right leg, then we started running fluids. It was a very slow drip. I went over to the TOC to let them know we needed to evacuate him. I was informed that we would not get one before dark. I went back to let Do (b)(3), (b)(6) know about the evacuation. The fire that had been burning in Blue's barracks spread to the TOC forcing them to move over to Red's barracks. I went outside and helped cut the cammo net that went from the TOC over to the Aid Station to try to prevent the fire from spreading from the TOC to the Aid Station. ISG (b)(3), (b)(6) came to the Aid Station to tell us that if the fire keeps going that we all would have to evacuate the COP. I had SP (b)(3), (b)(6) us up the wall bag and to restock the M9 bag as I went and got my aid bag ready to go. Knowing the building was not safe, we moved the ANA walking wounded to the ASG commander's Building. When I went back outside, the tree that was next to the TOC was starting to burn, we had a small chain saw and I asked SP (b)(3), (b)(6) "can you cut down that tree with this chain saw?" he said yes. SGT and I told him to do it. With the tree gone, the Aid Station was safe from the fire. We know that after having SPC Mace for so long that he needed blood. SP (b)(3), (b)(6) and his ID tags and they said his blood type was A positive. CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) SG (b)(3), (b)(6) and SP (b)(3), (b)(6) are all A positive. We had a blood transfusion kit, so CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) drew SP (b)(3), (b)(6) blood and then we tried to run it threw the easy IO. We placed a power infuser on the unit of blood but it was still flowing really slow. I once again tried for an IV and at this point I got a good line in. We ran some normal saline in the line for a few minutes to ensure good flow. When we went to move the blood from the Easy IO to the IV line, SPC Mace moved pulling the line out. So we placed the blood back on the easy IO as we again looked for a new site for the IV. SG (b)(3), (b)(6) was able to get a good IV going threw the neck. We then started running the blood in that line. After the first bag of whole blood, SPC Mace started to look better and his vital signs were improving. CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) then decided to draw SG (b)(3), (b)(6) blood for the 2nd unit of blood. I went over to TOC and talked to ISG (b)(3), (b)(6) find out whom in (b)(2)High had A positive blood. He gave me his leader's book so I could make a list of them. When I got back to the Aid Station, SPC Mace was almost done with the 2nd bag of blood so CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) told me to draw his. When the 3rd bag was going, I went over to the TOC to take LT (b)(3), (b)(6) blood. After the 4th unit of whole blood, we ran a 500ml bag of NS with 3G of unasyn. We drew the 5th bag of whole blood and when we started that bag we got the word that the bird was going to be inbound. We packed up SPC Mace, the 2 ANA litter patients, and the walking wounded and moved them to the Shura Building to await transport. When the first bird came, we loaded the 3 litter patients, the 2nd bird took the US walking wounded and the 3rd took out the ANA walking wounded. On the last bird was the 7 US KIA, and the 1 ANA KIA. During all of this we treated and evacuated 16 US and ANSF, and treated and RTD'ed 27 US and ANSF walking wounded.

6. WHAT VULNERABILITIES DID YOU SEE OR FEEL AT COP KEATING?

I feel that the vulnerabilities at COP Keating was the ECP, the placement of the COP, and the lack of people at the COP.

INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT

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

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9. STATEMENT (Continued)

7. WHAT WAS FIRST ENEMY ACTION YOU SAW? WHERE WERE YOU, AND WHERE DID YOU MOVE?  
The first enemy I heard was the sound of an RPG hitting the IMO building. I was in the Aid Station and I got up and put my gear on.

8. WAS ANYONE NEAR YOU WOUNDED OR KILLED? WHO, AND WHAT WAS THE NATURE OF INJURIES? WHAT UNIFORM WAS THE SOLDIER WEARING AND WAS THE SOLDIER WEARING HIS FULL BATTLE GEAR?  
When I got to SGT Kirk, he was in full gear and in full ACUs. He was hit in the neck and the back of the head. When SPC Griffin's body came to the Aid Station, he was also in full gear and in full ACUs. He was hit in the head. When SPC Scusa's body came in, he was shot in the neck. I do not know if he was in gear when he got there. He was in PTs.

9. DID YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH THE ANA? HOW EFFECTIVE WAS THE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH ASSIGNED ANA/ANP ELEMENTS? A little. They came into the aid station from time to time but did not really work with them.

10. DID YOU INTERACT WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY? HOW WERE YOU RECEIVED BY THE LOCALS?  
Little. We treated a few of them and the worker that worked on the COP. I do not know how were received by the locals.

11. DID YOU EXPERIENCE ANY WEAPON SYSTEM FAILURE DURING THE INCIDENT?  
No

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, SSG (b)(3), (b)(6), HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1, AND ENDS ON PAGE 3. 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

(b)(3), (b)(6) \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSES:

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ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS  
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ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 22 day of October, 2009 at FOB BOSTICK, AFGHANISTAN, APO AE 09354

(b)(3), (b)(6) \_\_\_\_\_

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*Article 136 UCMJ*  
(Authority To Administer Oaths)

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



# Complex Attack on COP Keating Storyboard – 03 OCT 09



As of: 10/19/2009 6:06 PM

TF Mountain Warrior

"Led by Love of Country" "All The Way"

~~SECRET /REL TO USA, ISAF, NATO~~



- 1. Shura Bldg/ASP
- 2. Red PLT Barracks
- 3. TOC
- 4. Aid Station
- 5. Blue PLT Barracks
- 6. North Fighting Pos
- 7. HQ Barracks
- 8. Overflow Barracks

- 9. US Mortar Pit
- 10. ANA Mortar Pit
- 11. DFAC
- 12. Gym
- 13. Mosque
- 14. Laundry Trailer
- 15. Latrines
- 16. Showers

### COP Keating GRG

- 17. IMO Barracks
- 18. Maintenance Shed
- 19. ANA Barracks
- 20. Radio Station
- 21. Billet near Purifier
- 22. Mahqmood Barracks
- 23. Rock Shed
- 24. Hescos (577 total)

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