

SWORN STATEMENT

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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1. LOCATION Bagram, Afghanistan	2. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 2009/11/01	3. TIME 2130L	4. FILE NUMBER
5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME (b)(3), (b)(6)	6. SSN (b)(3), (b)(6)	7. GRADE/STATUS CPT	
8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS F Co. 3-101, Task Force Eagle Lift			

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

On or about 07(b)(2)High OCT 2009, I was alerted by TF Eagle Lift TOC that my Day QRF Attack Weapons Team (AWT) was launched to support a significant enemy attack against Combat Outpost Keating. Within 30 minutes of my arrival at the TOC I was informed that both of my aircrews were safe and uninjured but one of my Apache aircraft, (b)(2)High was severely damaged from enemy fire and rendered combat ineffective. Both of my Apaches were shutdown at Forward Operating Base Bostic with Downed Aircraft Recovery Teams (DART) from TF Pale Horse already prepared for and dispatched. I requested a BDE Aviator to stand by and my maintenance to prepare to launch two additional Apaches. Within 45 minutes I was given approval to launch an additional surge team of 2 AHs and 2 crews in support of friendly forces at COP Keating. The crews were CW4(b)(3), (b)(6) and myself, and CW5(b)(3), (b)(6) and CW6(b)(3), (b)(6) our aircraft were tail numbers (b)(2)High. We launched towards Bostic but were directed to go straight to Pale Horse at Jalalabad Airfield for a battle update brief. We were then instructed to depart JAF at approximately (b)(2)High to relieve (b)(2)High crews (AH64s from Pale Horse) at Bostic and prepare for MEDEVAC operations and overwatch and security operations for CJSOTF forces that were tasked to move from OP Fritchie down to COP Keating in order to re-enforce and relieve the US forces at Keating. Once we arrived at Bostic and were refuel complete we received word that the last trun of UH60s received RPG and small arms fire from a wooded area near a village South West of Fritchie. After receiving an update brief and sketch map from our sister crews as well as an update brief from the outgoing (b)(2)High teams we departed Bostic for COP Keating along one (b)(2)High of only two ways into the objective area. We established communications with (b)(2)High fixed wing team of F-15s) element and were advised to remain East of COP Keating as they conducted a show of Force in the Kamdesh Valley. Immediately following the show of force we stacked the F-15's above our altitude as we remained 10K feet and below. We established comms with (b)(2)High while we began moving into position. The entire valley bright with fire and covered in smoke. At this time the lighting was dusk and I began to use my FLIR sight as primary optics. I immediately established eyes on the COP and was amazed at the sight of the COP as it was more than 90% on fire, smoldering or completely destroyed. Coalition Up-armored HMMWV's were destroyed and on fire. US or ANA bodies were sprawled throughout the area as were the bodies of enemy fighters. After quickly locating the only few buildings not on fire we established PID of firendlies at Keating. As we moved to ID (b)(2)High position the call came out that (b)(2)High was in a near ambush with at least 2 enemy fighters. The distance was less than 50 meters and there was nothing we were able to do with our weapons given danger close ranges. Within 1 minute (b)(2)High elements killed 2 enemy fighters and quickly began to conduct BDA, exploit and pushed forward of the position. We continued to provide overwatch for approximately 2 hours. (b)(2)High and (b)(2)High made a link up and were established at the base of the mountain from OP Fritchie. Security was set and we broke station for refuel. After refuel we were instructed to escort a MEDEVAC dustoff element into the Keating LZ for urgent wounded. We arrived on station and found that the ground elements were not set up at the LZ and that personnel outside the COP were using flash lights to communicate with eachother. Additionally, (b)(2)High informed us that enemy ICOM chatter 100M to the north across the river and along the ridgeline were standing by to engage US aircraft. I requested permission to strafe the ridgeline and continue to observe for movement or information via (b)(2)High for updates to ICOM chatter. Permission was granted and I set my AWT up for suppressive fires along the ridgeline at sepearate altitudes and with rockets and 30 mm. We pushed the (b)(2)High element well to the East and at high altitude while we engaged the Ridge Line. Once the suppressive fire were complete we observed and listened for ICOM chatter while ground forces were established and set for LZ security. No BDA was established bu there was no more ICOM chatter at all and no movement any where near the LZ, along a 1500M radius from the LZ, or along the ridgelines. Th (b)(2)High element landed and exfilled the wounded. We remained on station for approximately 3 hours to continue the exfiltration of friendly wounded and killed. Upon completion of the exfils we were instructed to return to base. There was nothing significant to report. The next morning our Task Force S2 told us that ICOM chatter later that night indicated 2 enemy personnel were killed by our strafing runs. Nothing Follows.

10. EXHIBIT	11. INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT (b)(3), (b)(6)	PAGE 1 OF 3 PAGES
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9. STATEMENT (Continued)

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I, (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 INFLUENCE, OR UNLAWFUL INDUCEMENT.

//ORIGINAL SIGNED//

(Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this _____ day of _____, _____ at _____

//ORIGINAL SIGNED//

(b)(3), (b)(6) _____
F/3-101ST AVN, 1SG
ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

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