

## SWORN STATEMENT

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## PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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1. LOCATION Quantico, VA	2. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 20130725	3. TIME 0900	4. FILE NUMBER N/A
5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME Gurganus, Charles M.	6. SSN	7. GRADE/STATUS MajGen, AD USMC	
8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, VA			

9. I, Charles M. Gurganus, WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH.

Q: What did RC(SW) ask a HHQ for that they didn't receive in terms of personnel, equipment and assets?

**A: For equipment Sir, I spoke during our last interview about the aerial denial system. That's the only piece of equipment that I can remember that I asked for and didn't receive. For personnel, I needed an additional 205 personnel for my SECFOR, I asked for it, and I did not get it. LtGen Toolan had actually worked this issue with IJC before I even took command, so it went back a while. As we continued to go through the iterations of the Force Management Levels (FML) during the surge recovery, we identified that we needed 205 additional personnel to fully and properly staff the SECFOR. We started the dialogue right when we got there, hoping to ease the severity of the cuts. It got to the point where it was a commander-to-commander issue, and I went directly to LTG Terry at IJC. But I did not get the additional people for the SECFOR until sometime after the September attack.**

Q: Did RC(SW) engage a HHQ prior to the Sept 14/15 attack IOT change the CENTCOM-PJHQ MOU? What was the friction?

**A: I do recall that we worked on the MOU after the 14 September attack. My Deputy, Brigadier Skeates, took the lead and ran with that issue since it was an issue between us and the UK.**

Q: Did RC(SW) state to a higher headquarters that you did not have sufficient personnel or assets to perform the assigned mission?

**A: Yes Sir, we identified to IJC that we were assuming significant operational risk, not only with security, but also in some key areas in the battlespace. Some of the FML decisions had already been made prior to our arrival, so they did not get revisited. We had to mitigate these shortfalls with partnered operations, Triple Canopy contractors, and a "camp tax" to provide Marines for security.**

Q: Did RC(SW) believe that 110 personnel was sufficient to fulfill the patrol requirements for the security of a 670 square kilometer area of operations?

**A: Sir, Nobody would say that 110 was sufficient for patrolling. But it was a conscious decision made regarding risk. It was more acceptable to accept risk there around BLS than it was in other locations based on our assessment of the threat. We could not mitigate in all areas, and we were getting to the point where we were asking, "What are we not going to be able to do?"**

10. EXHIBIT

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*Charles M. Gurganus*  
(Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES

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