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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: (U) AR 15-6 Interview with (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] Commander, Task Force Belleau Wood (TFBW), Regional Command Southwest [RC(SW)]

1. (U) The investigation team conducted an interview with (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] (b)(3), [redacted] Commander TFBW, RC(SW), at Camp Leatherneck, Helmand Province, Afghanistan on 25 June 2013 as part of the AR 15-6 Investigation into the attack on the Camps Bastion-Leatherneck-Shorabak (BLS) Complex on 14-15 September 2012 in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. The following is a summary of the main points from the interview.

a. (~~S//REL TO USA, ISAF, NATO~~) (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] began the interview by providing a current overview of TFBW operations. The briefing highlighted the layered defense plan currently in existence for the BLS Complex. (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] is the commander of TFBW, and he is also considered the overall commander of the security forces (SECFOR). He explained that in that role, he has what amounts to four battalion commanders, comprised of a Marine Corps battalion, the UK Force Protection Wing, the Army Installation Management Command (IMCOM), and an Army battalion from the Democratic Republic of Georgia. (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] explained that patrolling is a combined effort in Area of Operations Belleau Wood, and everything is coordinated in the Combined Joint Operations Center (CJOC).

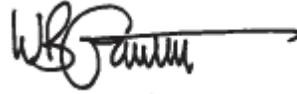
b. (U//~~FOUO~~) Regarding perimeter security, (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] explained that he discovered 24 repairs of the perimeter fence upon his arrival, which served as a significant "red flag." In his opinion, characterizing those breaches as scrapping or criminal activity without proof was unreasonable. (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] reinforced the perimeter fence with triple strand concertina wire to provide more stand-off from the chain link fence, and he stated that the problem ceased after that project was completed. (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] also informed us that he was finally given approval to bulldoze the closest structures to the perimeter fence, which also provided more stand-off from the local population encroaching on the eastern perimeter.

c. (U//~~FOUO~~) (b)(3), (b)(6), (b)(7)c [redacted] then provided the investigation team with a site survey, both day and night, of the eastern perimeter; the breach point; guard towers 15, 16, and 17; the former VMA-211 ramp; and the CJOC.

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2. (U) Point of contact for this memorandum is my legal advisor, [redacted]
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