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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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FOB JOYCE	2009/09/11	2245	

5. LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME	6. SSN	7. GRADE/STATUS
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8. ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

HQ, 1-32 IN, 3rd BCT, 10th MTN DIV LI

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

Q. What is your duty position and what was it during the mission?

I am the day BTL CPT for TF Chosin. I assumed duty at 0800L on 08SEP09 from CPT(b)(3), (b)(6) served as BTL CPT until 2400L on 08SEP09.

Q. What are the facts and circumstances surrounding the attack on th(b)(2)Highnd ANA Soldiers?

Ganjgal valley is traditional hotbed of enemy activity both through actual enemy contact and through (b)(2)High reporting. Although it is very close to our FOB it remains mostly isolated because of narrow and unstable road that are flanked by high ground that get progressively restrictive as you move deeper in the in the valley. Because of this the valley presents a communications and maneuver challenge. The people Dam Dara and Ganjgal (town) the largest and most assessable population centers were, until the ambush, what I believed to be pro U.S and supportive of the ASAF and Afghan Government.

Q. Describe the nature of the attack and the response from th(b)(2)Highnd ANA forces.

At 0437L ANA and ABP were ambushed by a well organized and equipped 30-60 AAF located inside of the town and in the high ground to the north south and east. These AAF maintained the element of surprise until the majority of forces were inside of the town of Ganjgal and inflicted most casualties in the initial minutes of the ambush. Th(b)(2)Highnd ANSF returned SAF grenades and smoke and attempted to break contact. They also immediately requested for air support, fire support and transmitted MEDEVAC request for their wounded.

Q. Initial reports indicate that the U.S. Marines were killed in action during this engagement. If so, who had operational control of these Marines?

Operational control of the Marines was with(b)(2)High MAJ(b)(3), (b)(6)he Ground commander and Senior EFL for the ANA additionally after the contact began it was assumed by (b)(2)High CPT(b)(3), (b)(6)the senior Arm(b)(2)Highr the ABP.

Q. What was the mission of these Marines?

To train and mentor their ANA counter parts through a successful KLE with local elders and knock and search of possible AAF safe houses in the village of Ganjgal.

Q. What type of support assets did the U.S. Marines request before the mission?

I had no involvement in the planning of the Operation.

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STATEMENT OF CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) TAKEN AT FOB JOYCE DATED 2009/09/11

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Q. During the mission?

Requested for air support, fire support and transmitted MEDEVAC request for their wounded. They also requested additional ground forces. All request were filled as quickly as possible. The additional assets provided consisted of fire support, CCA, CAS MEDEVAC, and three additional infantry platoons.

Q. What, if any, medical treatment was provided to the injured U.S. Service members and any other individuals treated?

All ground medical treatment was internal to the ETTs.

Q. Were the MEDEVAC procedures timely and appropriate under the circumstances?

MEDEVAC request we processed immediately and Air MEDEVAC crew proceeded into a hot LZ to evacuate casualties.

Q. Provide a detailed timeline of the medical procedures and treatment provided to the U.S. Service members.

1. (b)(2)High (b)(2)High REPORTS THEY WILL BE SENDING A 9-LINE MEDEVAC (the TOC contacted BDE and (b)(2)High and informed them of that we had casualties in Ganjgal and 9 line would follow.)

2. (b)(2)High RECEIVES 9-LINE MEDEVAC(9 line immediately transmitted to BDE)

Q. What was the reporting and information flow with the U.S. Marine ETT TOC?

Reporting from ground units in Ganjgal was via (b)(2)High (b)(2)High or (b)(2)High directly to the TOC or relayed from other ground units such as (b)(2)High (scout overwatch position) or (b)(2)High (3 / D /1-32 QRF platoon).Primary was (b)(2)High Alternate was relay through (b)(2)High or CCA, C was (b)(2)High

Q. What factors attributed to the four U.S. Marines' status being listed as missing?

The nature of an ambush is the primary factor followed by intel about people of Ganjgal allow the AAF to use them to set a trap for ASAF in their homes. How long were the U.S. Service members unaccounted for? They were reported to the TOC as MIA at (b)(2)High 0458; 3/D/1-32 REPORTS 4 X MARINE ETT AND A SQUAD OF ANA POSSIBLY MIA. Chosin TOC (b)(2)High log 08SEP09) and found KIA at 0650z (0650: THE 4 X ETT AND THE ONE ANA HAVE BEEN FOUND ALL ARE KIA FOUND AT GRID (b)(2)High Chosin TOC (b)(2)High log 08SEP09) for a total of two hours and two minutes.

Q. Were any non-combatant Afghan Nationals killed or injured as a result of the engagement? If so, where were they located during the engagement, how were they injured or killed, and by whom? Any reports of women and children either firing on U.S. forces or ANSF or assisting the AAF?

None reported during the contact but oral patrol debriefs from CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) AS-2/ 1-32) and 1L (b)(3), (b)(6) Marin (b)(2)High stated that women were resupplying AAF and young boys were firing RPGs and AKs at U.S. forces and ANSF.

Q. What were some of the problems that you experienced with providing fire support?

There were no fire missions requested while I was serving as BTL CPT on the morning of the 08SEP09

Q. What recommendations concerning improvement, if any, to coalition force tactics, techniques, and procedures will help avoid this type of incident in the future?

None

Q. Any other matters pertaining to this incident that you deem relevant.

None

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STATEMENT OF CPT (b)(3), (b)(6) TAKEN AT FOB JOYCE DATED 2009/09/11

STATEMENT (Continued)

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AFFIDAVIT

I CPT (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.

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(b)(3), (b)(6) (Signature of Person Making Statement)

WITNESSES:

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

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

HHC 1-32 IN

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

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

HHC, 1-32 IN, 3 BCT, FOB JOYCE

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths this 13 day of September 2009 at FOB Joyce

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

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

(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

Investigating Officer

(Authority To Administer Oaths)

INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT (b)(3), (b)(6)