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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
JOINT TASK FORCE 170
QUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA
APO AE 09860



JTF-J2

11 October 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, Joint Task Force 170

SUBJECT: Request for Approval of Counter-Resistance Strategies

1. ~~(S//NF)~~ PROBLEM: The current guidelines for interrogation procedures at GTMO limit the ability of interrogators to counter advanced resistance.

2. ~~(S//NF)~~ Request approval for use of the following interrogation plan.

a. Category I techniques. During the initial category of interrogation the detainee should be provided a chair and the environment should be generally comfortable. The format of the interrogation is the direct approach. The use of rewards like cookies or cigarettes may be helpful. If the detainee is determined by the interrogator to be uncooperative, the interrogator may use the following techniques.

(1) ~~Rolling~~ at the detainee (not directly in his ear or to the level that it would cause physical pain or hearing problems)

(2) Techniques of deception:

(a) Multiple interrogator techniques.

(b) Interrogator identity. The interviewer may identify himself as a citizen of a foreign nation or as an interrogator from a country with a reputation for harsh treatment of detainees.

b. Category II techniques. With the permission of the OIC, Interrogation Section, the interrogator may use the following techniques.

(1) The use of stress-positions (like standing), for a maximum of four hours.

(2) The use of falsified documents or reports.

(3) Use of the isolation facility for up to 30 days. Request must be made to through OIC, Interrogation Section, to the Director, Joint Interrogation Group (JIG). Extensions beyond the initial 30 days must be approved by the Commanding General. For selected

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detainees, the OIC, Interrogation Section, will approve all contacts with the detainee, to include medical visits of a non-emergent nature.

(4) Interrogating the detainee in an environment other than the standard interrogation booth:

~~(5) Deprivation of light and auditory stimuli~~

(6) The detainee may also have a hood placed over his head during transportation and questioning. The hood should not restrict breathing in any way and the detainee should be under direct observation when hooded.

(7) The use of 28-hour interrogations.

(8) Removal of all comfort items (including religious items):

(9) Switching the detainee from hot rations to MREs.

(10) Removal of clothing.

(11) Feces grooming (shaving of facial hair etc..)

(12) Using detainee individual phobias (such as fear of dogs) to induce stress.

c. Category III techniques. Techniques in this category may be used only by submitting a request through the Director, JIG, for approval by the Commanding General with appropriate legal review and information to Commander, USSOUTHCOM. These techniques are required for a very small percentage of the most uncooperative detainees (less than 3%). The following techniques and other aversive techniques, such as those used in U.S. military interrogation resistance training or by other U.S. government agencies, may be utilized in a carefully coordinated manner to help interrogate exceptionally resistant detainees. Any or these techniques that require more than light grabbing, poking, or pushing, will be administered only by individuals specifically trained in their safe application.

(1) The use of scenarios designed to convince the detainee that death or severely painful consequences are imminent for him and/or his family.

(2) Exposure to cold weather or water (with appropriate medical monitoring).

(3) Use of a wet towel and dripping water to induce the misperception of suffocation.

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(4) Use of mild, non-injurious physical contact such as grabbing, poking in the chest with the finger, and light pushing.

3. (G) The POC for this responsibility is the message at 13476.


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LTC, USA
Director, J2

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JTF 170-CG

11 October 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, United States Southern Command, 3511 NW 91st Avenue, Miami, Florida 33172-1217

SUBJECT: Counter-Resistance Strategies

1. Request that you approve the interrogation techniques delineated in the enclosed Counter-Resistance Strategies memorandum. I have reviewed this memorandum and the legal review provided to me by the JTF-170 Staff Judge Advocate and concur with the legal analysis provided.
2. I am fully aware of the techniques currently employed to gain valuable intelligence in support of the Global War on Terrorism. Although these techniques have resulted in significant exploitable intelligence, the same methods have become less effective over time. I believe the methods and techniques delineated in the accompanying J-2 memorandum will enhance our efforts to extract additional information. Based on the analysis provided by the JTF-170 SJA, I have concluded that these techniques do not violate U.S. or international laws.
3. My point of contact for this issue is LTC Jerald Phifer at DSN 660-3476.

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1. JTF 170-J2 Memo,
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2. JTF 170-SJA Memo,
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Major General, USA
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INTERROGATIONS
Operation Enduring Freedom Related

- A. October 11, 2002, Request for Approval of Counter-Resistance Strategies ~~(S//NF)~~
- B. October 11, 2002, Legal Brief on Proposed Counter-Resistance Strategies ~~(S//NF)~~
- C. October 19, 2002, Assessment by the Jordanian General Intelligence Directorate of Interrogation Techniques at Camp Delta ~~(S//NF)~~
- D. October 25, 2002, Counter-Resistance Techniques ~~(S//NF)~~
- E. December 2, 2002, General Counsel action memo to SECDEF on Counter-Resistance Techniques ~~(S//NF)~~
- F. November 12, 2003, DASD/SOPS action memo to ASD/SOLIC on JSAP for Interrogation Information flow to SECDEF ~~(S//NF)~~
- G. June 2, 2003, Letter of Promulgation Regarding SECDEF Guidance on Interrogation Techniques ~~(S//NF)~~
- H. June 2, 2003, Commander USSOUTHCOM letter to SECDEF on implementation of interrogation techniques ~~(S//NF)~~
- I. May 15, 2003, CJCS action memo to SECDEF on Interrogation Techniques in the War on Terrorism ~~(S//NF)~~
- J. June 17, 2003, Interrogation Techniques Doctrine ~~(S//NF)~~
- K. April 1, 2003, memo on Annex E, USCENTCOM OPLAN 1003V ~~(S//NF)~~
- L. April 1, 2003, memo on DepSec Questions on Transfer Process ~~(S//NF)~~
- M. April 2, 2003, Draft memo to Commander, USSOUTHCOM on Additional Counter-Resistance Techniques in the War on Terrorism (S)
- N. April, 5, 2003, CJCS action memo to SECDEF on Interrogation Techniques in the War on Terrorism (S)
- O. April 10, 2003, PDASD/SOLIC memo to SECDEF on Interrogation Methods for GTMO ~~(S//NF)~~

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- P. April 15, 2003, SECDEF memo to Commander, USSOUTHCOM on Counter-Resistance Techniques in the War on Terrorism ~~(S)~~
- Q. March 6, 2003, Draft Working Group Report on Detainee Interrogations in the Global War on Terrorism ~~(S//NF)~~
- R. February 26, 2003, General Counsel of the Navy memo to ASD/SOLIC on Proposed Interrogation Strategy ~~(S//NF)~~
- S. April 4, 2004 DIA Policy for Interrogation Operations ~~(S//NF)~~
- T. April 7, 2004, Use of Special Interrogation Technique for Detainee Abdullah al-Sharbi ~~(S//NF)~~
- U. May 4, 2004, Joint Staff Information Paper on Contract Intelligence and Interrogator Personnel ~~(S//NF)~~

INTERROGATIONS
Operation Iraqi Freedom Related

- A. March 27, 2002, Target Profiles of Terrorists for US Tactical Debriefing ~~(S//REL)~~
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- B. March 26, 2003, Draft Whether to publicly disclose the names of Iraqi EPWs (U)
- C. March 25, 2003 Briefing on Interrogation Operations in Iraq ~~(S//NF)~~
- D. March 17, 2003, Post-Conflict Iraq and Interrogations ~~(S//NF)~~
- E. March 7, 2003, Post-Conflict and Interrogations ~~(S//NF)~~

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