

STATEMENT

Place : Bldg H-1, Korean Village IZ
Date : 05 JAN 06 2023

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) USMC, make the following free and voluntary statement to (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) whom I know to be a Representative or an ~~investigative~~ Criminal Investigative Service. I make this statement of my own free will and without any threats made to me or promises extended. I fully understand that this statement is given concerning my knowledge of ~~the death of detainee~~ Adnan ERD Abbas on 04 JAN 06.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) for background purpose, I am a (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) male born on (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) at (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) my social security number (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and I am (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) tall and weigh (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) lbs. I have (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) hair and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) eyes. I am currently assigned to 1st Platoon, 2nd Force Recon Company. I have been in the marine since SEP 00 and with my current command since OCT 05 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) During the early morning of 04 JAN 06, my station was involved in a number of searches in ~~the town of I think it is an Iraqi~~ town whose name I can not recall now. I remember the last house we hit I blew the lock off the courtyard gate and we entered the residence. I went to the roof and searched two rooms finding (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) A 20-30 year old Iraqi male, his wife and infant child. I brought (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) turned the male over to another marine, either (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) or (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and continued to search the roof top (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) about 15 minutes later I heard on the radio (b)(2) As I was leaving the residence I saw (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) escorting an Iraqi detainee who was later identified to me as Adnan ERD Abbas (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) lbs was (b)(7)(E)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) flex cuffed behind his back via wrists. I helped them get Abbas into an Highback Humvee and I sat him down in the corner nearest to the front passenger side with his feet pointed to the driver's side. His knees were slightly bent and I am sure his feet were pointed toward the driver's side. I covered his body with a blanket which we got from his house. I covered (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) the blanket in and it was not covering his head. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Then we put the other two prisoners in the Humvee (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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and covered them with blankets the same time I covered
ABBAS

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Then I got on the passenger bench about midway of
the cargo area along passenger side of vehicle. I was
close to ABBAS which was about 3 feet away.

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It was very cold so I got inside my sleeping bag
with only my head exposed. We then drove to Korean
village and I did not hear anyone speak and it
was very noisy because of the wind and dark

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I was in the back of the truck and got to Korean
village

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prisoners out of the cargo area but when I checked
at ABBAS he did not move.

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I got close to
ABBAS and saw he was still covered with the blanket
and leaning against the passenger against the cab of the
vehicle.

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I went to pull at ABBAS but he was limp and did
not move so I wrote a O

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A number. Actually called for a reason
Responded and looked at ABBAS and lying
out on the cargo area in the corner of the

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deck behind the Prisoner and
checked for vitals. It did not appear that
the third to receive him because he was dead.

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(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) I do not know why Abbas died, but I do know that
None of us in my command did anything to him. He seemed
fine when loading him into vehicle and I did not hear
OR see him make any sound or movement while we were
Driving to Korean Village (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) was the first person to discover the dead MAN (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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I have read and understand the above statement. I have been given the opportunity to make any changes or corrections I desire to make and have placed my initials over the changes or corrections. This statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of January in the year 2006 at Bldg H-1, Korean Village, IZ

Witnessed: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Representative, Naval Criminal Investigative Service
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