

NOV 03 BCCP INSPECTION RESULTS

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TFIH Brigade Central Collection Point (BCCP) compliance inspection (3-4 Nov 03)

Scope of inspection. The 4ID Provost Marshal conducted a compliance inspection of all TFIH BCCPs on 3-4 Nov 03. The provost marshal office operated three teams IOT conduct the inspections. Team 1 inspected 1st BCT, Team 2 inspected 173rd BCT, and Team 3 inspected 2nd and 3rd BCTs.

Two checklists were used during the inspection. The first assesses units for compliance to applicable portions of AR 190-8 (Enemy Prisoners of War, Retained Personnel, Civilian Internee's, and other detainee's) and the Geneva conventions relative to the treatment of Prisoners of War. The second assesses the units compliance with TFIH FRAGO 1291 (Detainee Operations).

The scale of assessment used is: Fair, Good, Above Average, and Excellent.

1 BCT:

Overall assessment: Fair.

Summary. The facility is well-run and overall in compliance with the requirements outlined in FRAGO 1291. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The BCCP's winterization plan is in motion; [REDACTED] along with mats and blankets. The number of detainees held over 14 days was significantly reduced from 61 in the last inspection to only 6 on this inspection.

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Key Observations:

Observation: [REDACTED] are being utilized for external security of the BCCP.

Recommendation:

Observation: The evidence/property on hand is properly accounted for and clearly marked and inventoried; but it is stored in MRE boxes placed in a cabinet within in the

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property room. Additionally, boxes of personal hygiene items were located in the evidence room.

Recommendation: The unit needs to build shelves and cabinets for all evidence and property and should expedite the construction of these fixtures. A storage room, separate from the property room needs to be identified for the boxes of sundry items for detainees

Observation: Unit has been in charge of the BCCP for approximately 45 days, but does not have an approved SOP for the facility on hand. The BCCP has a copy of the DCCP SOP, but does not have a written SOP that details specific procedures for the BCCP.

Recommendation: Systems are in place that are working, but an SOP on hand is necessary IOT ensure all standards/requirements are understood and can be referenced if required.

Observation: [REDACTED]

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Recommendation: [REDACTED]

2 BCT:

Overall assessment: Fair.

Summary. Significant improvement in BCCP Operations from last inspection. Military Police continue the principle task of detainee operations in this facility. A winterization plan is complete with required materials to implement. A generator is on hand, and ECU\$ are ordered. There continue to be a few key issues that need to be addressed to ensure adequate safeguards for detainees and the safety of US personnel operating the facility at FOB Warhorse.

Key Observations:

Observation: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] efficiency was identified to the BCCP last month, but was not corrected

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Recommendation: [REDACTED]

Observation: [REDACTED]

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Recommendation: [REDACTED] Battle drills and alert signals should be clearly understood and common to all.

Observation: The evidence/property room contains a large amount of personal property from detainees who have already been transferred.

Recommendation: Identify property of detainees that have been transferred to the DCCP and forward to TFIH PMO so the status and location of detainees can be identified.

3 BCT:

Overall assessment: Fair.

Summary: [REDACTED] There is a plan to move to a new location that will provide improved living conditions conducive to rapidly approaching winter months.

Observation: [REDACTED] This deficiency was identified last month, but the chain of command has chosen to disregard the PMO recommendation from last month.

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Recommendation: [REDACTED] Battle drills and alert signals should be clearly understood and common to all.

Observation: [REDACTED]

Recommendation: [REDACTED]

Observation: Unit has been in charge of the BCCP for approximately 45 days, but does not have an approved written SOP that details specific procedures for the BCCP.

Recommendation: An SOP on hand is necessary IOT ensure all standards/requirements are understood and can be referenced if required.

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Observation: [REDACTED]

Recommendation: [REDACTED]

Observation: [REDACTED]

Recommendation: [REDACTED]

173RD ABN:

Overall assessment: Good.

Summary. The facility is well organized and the leaders in charge have a firm understanding of detention operations and requirements outlined in FRAGO 1291. BCCP operations are being run by Military Police. The procedures for receiving detainees from capturing units and detainee in-processing ensure only detainees with proper documentation are accepted into the facility. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in the event of a detainee disturbance or uprising with additional support from an Air Force Security Force unit with [REDACTED]

Key Observations:

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Observation: [REDACTED] manpower support has decreased since the previous inspection. [REDACTED]

Recommendation: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. Battalion leadership must meet the intent of FRAGO 1291.

Observation: The [REDACTED] This constraint limits the platoons ability to train the [REDACTED] soldiers that are needed to work inside the wire to ensure that all MP's provide external security in the towers.

Recommendation: The brigade that supports the BCCP must place command emphasis directing strict guidance followed with compliance checks to ensure that they meet the intent of FRAGO 1291.

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Observation: [REDACTED] and materials necessary upgrade the facility. The temperature has dropped and winter weather is becoming difficult to bear for the detainees and security.

Recommendation: The unit has a winterization plan that includes the purchase of plexiglass and wood to upgrade the facility. The unit has submitted a PRC request for funding for these improvements.

Observation: [REDACTED]

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Recommendation: [REDACTED]

Observation: The facility does not have designated isolation rooms or a female holding area. At the time of inspection, there were no detainees that required being in isolation, nor any females on hand. The OIC explained he would identify at least 3 isolation rooms and a designated area for any females that may arrive in the future.

Recommendation: This deficiency was identified last month. The BCCP must have locations identified for isolation cells and for females if on hand.

Observation: FRAGO 1291 directs units to transfer all detainees to the TFIH DCCP NLT 14 days after capture. The NCOIC stated there were 37 detainees on hand that had exceeded the 14 days however, the day of the inspection all 37 detainees were either transferred or release to local police.

Recommendation: Continue to work with 173 BDE ABN to expedite the processing of detainee packets to ensure the transfer of detainees occurs NLT the 14th day after capture.

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