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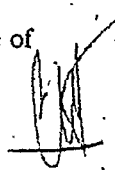
SUBJECT: Detainee Issues

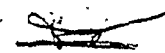
The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) is evaluating whether to initiate a review of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) handling of allegations or inquiries about FBI employees participating in or witnessing abuse of detainees at Guantanamo Bay, Abu Ghraib prison, and other venues. We are also evaluating whether to conduct a review of the conduct of the FBI employees who may have witnessed or participated in such abuse.

To facilitate our decision on such a review, please provide copies of all documents and other materials requested below from Headquarters or Field Office files. Please include any documents or charts that have been created to assist the FBI in keeping track of the material.

The specific requests are as follows:

- 1) All documents relating to any inquiries or allegations made to the FBI regarding FBI employees' participation in or knowledge of detainee abuse;
- 2) All documents relating to the FBI's handling, investigation, or disposition of any inquiries or allegations referred to in Request # 1 above;
- 3) All documents relating to any communications by the FBI with any prosecutors or military entities concerning any FBI employees' state of knowledge or participation in detainee abuse;

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- 4) All documents relating to questions raised by Critical Incident Response Group behavioral scientists about detainee interrogation techniques;
- 5) All documents relating to the investigation led by Inspector Kim Mertz into FBI knowledge of detainee abuse at Abu Ghraib and all internal FBI communications reflecting or related to any discussion of whether to refer matters arising from the inquiry to FBI OPR and/or the OIG;
- 6) All documents relating to the "Special Inquiry" conducted by the FBI Inspection Division regarding the state of knowledge of any FBI employee regarding abuse of detainees at Guantanamo Bay and all internal FBI communications reflecting or related to any discussion of whether to refer matters arising from the inquiry to FBI OPR and/or the OIG; and
- 7) All documents relating to any inquiry about any FBI employee who may have knowledge of prisoner abuse by Special Forces personnel in Afghanistan.

Please provide materials responsive to this request no later than Friday, November 5, 2004. If you have any questions about this request, please feel free to call me or Catherine Sheehan, the Deputy Director of the OIG's Office of Oversight and Review, at (202) 616-0645. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.