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The Washington Post (also in [REDACTED]) carried a story today on the release of FBI's records on treatment of detainees. b2

Below is the a portion of the article.

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"U.S. law enforcement agents working at the military prison in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, concluded that controversial interrogation practices used there by the Defense Department produced intelligence information that was "suspect at best," an FBI agent told a superior in a memo in May last year. But the Justice Department, which reviewed the memo for national security secrets before releasing it to a civil liberties group in December, redacted the FBI agent's conclusion. The department, acting after the Defense Department expressed its own views on which portions of the letter should be redacted, also blacked out a separate assertion in the memo that military interrogation practices could undermine future military trials for terrorism suspects held at Guantanamo Bay. It also withheld a statement by the memo's author that Justice Department criminal division officials were so concerned about the military interrogation practices that they took their complaints to the office of the Pentagon's chief attorney, William J. Haynes II, whom President Bush has nominated to become a federal appellate judge."

First, the FBI release was not reviewed by DoJ prior to it being released in December. There is no factual basis for what is said in the article that we have knowledge of. Our release was coordinated within FBI only. In fact, to change our redaction would require use of our FDPS system and this certainly did not happen.

In February, in preparation for Mr. Chertoff's hearings and in response to a request from Senator Levin, DoJ asked us to re-review the e-mail to see if there could be more information released. We released several more names (SES level) that had been exempted in error and some information that had been exempted under b(5) (internal agency deliberations). There were b(1) (classified information) exemptions on the pages in question. We did not change or modify them. This release was coordinated with [redacted]

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