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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION (CLOSED)

17DEC04

ASSAULT (II)

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COMMAND/JTF-GTMO/31886

MADE AT/MPGT/GUANTANAMO BAY CUBA, ██████████ SPECIAL AGENT

EXHIBIT(S)

1. IA: Result of Interview of ██████████ 16DEC04... (Copy all)

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NARRATIVE

1. On 15DEC04, a Request for Assistance (RFA) was received from the US Army 3D Military Police Group (CID), Bagram Air Field. This RFA tasked NCISRA Guantanamo Bay (GTMO) to interview ██████████ a British citizen detained at GTMO.

2. On 16DEC04, BEGG was interviewed at the GTMO detention facility by Reporting Agent (RA) and Participating Agent (PA). ██████████ was asked specific questions that were provided by CID. ██████████ was extremely cooperative and answered all questions without incident. The interview centered on ██████████ allegations that he was physically abused by US personnel while he was detained in Afghanistan circa FEB02 to FEB03.

3. ██████████ stated civilian and military personnel in Kandahar and Bagram, Afghanistan physically abused him. ██████████ was able to identify two Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) personnel that may have been involved in his abuse, exhibit (1) pertains. The abuse alleged by ██████████ included being punched, slapped and kicked. ██████████ also claims he was threatened with being sent to Egypt where he would be sexually assaulted and electrocuted if he did not cooperate. ██████████ alleges the same FBI personnel, whom he identified as ██████████ and ██████████ forced him to sign a confession at GTMO in FEB03.

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4. ██████████ declined to provide a written statement. He has retained a civilian lawyer and stated based on the advice of counsel, he chose not to make a written statement. NCISRA GTMO has completed the lead tasking.

PARTICIPANT(S)

██████████, SSA, NCISRA GTMO

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Results of interview of

On 16DEC04 [redacted] was interviewed at the request of US Army Criminal Investigations Division (CID) reference allegations of abuse.

Specifically [redacted] was asked specific questions provided by CID about his detention in Kandahar and Bagram, Afghanistan.

Prior to the commencement of the interview, introductions were made and the purpose of the interview was explained to [redacted] was cooperative and answered all questions asked. The results of which are as follows:

Kandahar

Describe your detention at the Kandahar confinement facility. Did you receive medical screening upon arriving there? Did you tell the medical doctor about your asthma condition?

[redacted] described the facility he was detained in at Kandahar as an old barn. [redacted] stated inside there were sections of the barn separated by concertina wire. [redacted] stated there were several people with him in the barn, but each person was in his own section. They could see each other, but were not allowed to communicate. He was kept in this area for 6 weeks (approximate start date was late FEB02). [redacted] claimed he received a medical examination upon arrival to Kandahar. He stated he received an "unnecessary finger" up his backside. He does not feel this procedure was medically necessary, rather it was done to humiliate him, as it was done in the open in front of other people. [redacted] stated he told the individual giving him the exam that he suffered from asthma.

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Was there any time at the Kandahar facility that you were struck with a closed or open hand or kicked? If so, explain. How many times did this occur? Can you describe the person or persons who assaulted you? Did you sustain an injury from this?

[redacted] claimed during the "processing" at Kandahar, his clothing was cut off and he was deloused and photographed naked. He claims that during all detainee movements he was slapped, punched and kicked. [redacted] claims this occurred on two occasions: the movement from the plane to the detention facility upon arrival, and the same upon departure. [redacted] claims he was interrogated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and US military personnel, but stated none of these interrogations involved abuse. [redacted] stated the abuse he received in Kandahar was by the US military personnel involved in

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moving him from one place to another, [REDACTED] did not provide any identifying detail for these individuals. [REDACTED] claimed he has no permanent injuries from his detention in Kandahar, but is having foot pain. [REDACTED] claims a pre-existing foot injury was exacerbated when a US military guard intentionally stepped on his foot (NFI).

4. Do you recall if the interrogators wore uniforms, such as the American desert uniform?

[REDACTED] claimed his interrogators wore both military uniforms and civilian clothes. He stated the civilians identified themselves as FBI agents.

5. Do you recall any descriptions of the interrogators, such as distinctive voices, tattoos or scars?

Other than the fact that [REDACTED] claims they were FBI, he was not able to provide information about his interrogators in Kandahar.

6. Do you recall if the guards wore uniforms, such as the American desert uniform. If so, do you remember any patches they may have had on their uniforms and describe them.

[REDACTED] did not provide specific information about the guards in Kandahar.

7. Do you recall any descriptions of the guards, such as distinctive voices, tattoos or scars?

[REDACTED] did not provide specific information about the guards in Bagram.

8. Describe your detention at the Bagram Confinement Facility. Did you receive a medical screening upon arriving there? Did you tell the medical doctor about your asthma condition?

[REDACTED] stated while in transit from Kandahar to Bagram he was hooded and slapped in the back of the head. His arms were handcuffed behind him and he was forcibly carried by his arms, which aggravated a pre-existing dislocated shoulder. [REDACTED] claimed he was detained in a communal cell in Bagram with about ten other men. They shared a cut off barrel as a toilet and the rules were very strict. The detainees were not allowed to move or talk. The punishment for doing so was being shackled to the cell gate with your hands above your head for several hours. [REDACTED] claims the cell was bathed in blaring light 24 hours a day. [REDACTED] claims he received a medical exam upon his arrival and it was similar to the one he received in Kandahar, again he received an unwarranted rectal exam. According to [REDACTED] these exams occurred frequently. He claims he informed the medical personnel of his asthma.

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8. Was there any time at the Bagram facility that you were struck with a closed or open hand, or kicked? If so, explain. How many times did this occur? Can you describe the person or persons who assaulted you? Did you sustain any injuries from these strikes?

[REDACTED] claims he was interrogated frequently while at Bagram. During the month of MB02 he was interrogated by the FBI, CIA, and military intelligence personnel. During one particular interrogation in which [REDACTED] was not cooperative, he was taken into a room and hog tied, handcuffed and beaten. BEGG is not sure who ordered this to be done. He stated he was being interrogated by two FBI agents, that [REDACTED] identified as [REDACTED] and a "Major" in the military when this occurred. [REDACTED] claims he was also threatened with being sent to Egypt if he did not cooperate. The threats included being sexually assaulted and electrocuted.

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9. Do you recall if the interrogators wore uniforms, such as the American desert uniform?

[REDACTED] stated his interrogators wore civilian clothes and military uniforms. He is positive of the identities of the two FBI agents because he met with them again at Guantanamo Bay in FEB03. [REDACTED] stated at this meeting in FEB03 he was forced to sign a false confession. He stated he was threatened by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and that he was going to be sent to Egypt to be tortured if he did not cooperate and sign the statement.

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10. Do you recall any descriptions of the interrogators, such as distinct voices, tattoos or scars?

[REDACTED] was able to provide some information about his interrogators. He described the "Major" as the one that replaced the female Major by the name of [REDACTED]. He described the FBI agents as [REDACTED] from Texas, [REDACTED] as a Chinese or Japanese American, and [REDACTED] from the east coast. [REDACTED] stated none of these individuals were abusive towards him.

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11. Do you recall if the guards wore uniforms, such as the American desert uniform? If so, do you remember any patches they may have had on their uniforms and describe them.

[REDACTED] stated the guards were from the 211th and the 511th MP companies. He stated the 211th was from Asheville, NC and he named individuals such as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as being his guards. [REDACTED] stated none of these individuals were involved in his abuse. However, [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] a policeman in Asheville, NC, was responsible for hearing to death a fellow detainee. According to BEGG this incident did not involve him, but he witnessed it in JUN02. He believes the detainee was [REDACTED] and the detainee was housed in cell [REDACTED]. BEGG stated he has provided this information to CID in the past.

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12. Do you recall any descriptions of the guards, such as distinct

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See above.

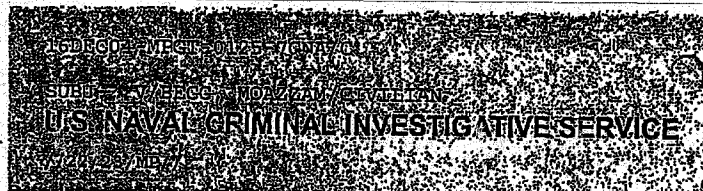
[REDACTED] was asked to provide a sworn statement reference this interview. He declined based on the advice of counsel. [REDACTED] stated he is willing to be interviewed again and would consent to a polygraph after discussing the issue with his attorney.

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