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## 48 BCT Commander's 15-6 Worksheet

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WPDBAA-Tactical Intelligence Officer

5 August 2005

#### MEMERANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: 15-6 Investigation and Recommendation, Shooting of local nationals on August 4th, 2005.

## I. Summary of Facts (Section IV - Findings)

The following facts are based on the sworn statements and interviews with the eye witnesses. At approximately 0900 on the 4th of August, 2005 Infantry tactical operations center (TOC) received message traffic over FM advising them about a potential VBIED attack. The BN TOC passed this info to the company CP where it was then sent out to the patrol on the ground. The patrol was told to interdict two vehicles traveling in their AO. The vehicles described were a silver 4 door sedan and a white 4 door sedan traveling together. At approximately 0915, two cars matching the description given over the radio were seen traveling south east on Route Aeros heading toward CP 34A. The cars were about 30 meters apart. The cars came to the intersection of the and and turned south on . This intersection has a large berm in the middle. The gray car made a normal right turn, in front of the benn, at the intersection, while the white vehicle drove in an erratic fashion almost a full circle around the berm and continued to follow the gray car. SSG SSG, SPC SPC AND SPC began waving their hands and shouting at the vehicle to stop. The interpreter for the group also shouted in Arabic.

SSG the pointed his weapon at the vehicle and it continued perpendicular to SSG the fired 3 warning shots. The first shot landed 50 – 75 feet in front of the lead vehicle. The second shot was fired 3-5 seconds later at the same spot on the ground. The cars continued without hesitation. The final warning shot was fired at the same area kicking up dirt near the front tire. After the third warning shot, the gray vehicle stopped and the driver put his hands out the window.

All of the occupants of the gray car exited the vehicle and began shouting at the white car to stop. The white car continued toward the gray vehicle and another warning shot was fired. The white car then stopped and began to travel in reverse away from the check point. SSG SPC SPC and all fired warning shots to the front and rear of the vehicle. The car continued to move away from the check point. Shots were fired at the rear quarter panel, tires and engine block. The car slowed down and the cease fire order was given by SSG All firing stopped. The car continued to back into the berm it had erratically drove around earlier. The driver exited the vehicle and fell to the ground. The passenger also exited the vehicle on the far side. He remained next to the vehicle. A local national was sent to investigate the status of the passenger. The passenger was wounded. LT arrived on the scene and began to search the gray



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vehicle. Nothing of significance was found. They questioned the passengers and decided they were not a threat. The gray car was allowed to leave the scene. The squad then moved to search the white vehicle and provide medical care to the wounded. Nothing of significance was found in the white vehicle. The passenger was taken to TMC to be treated. LT contacted the IP to take the body of the driver and his vehicle.

## II. Findings of Facts (Section IV - Findings)

- This investigation required careful examination of the facts surrounding the shooting. The ROE clearly states that a hostile intent must be conveyed before action is taken. The vehicles were reported over FM to be possible VBIEDs. The assumption that the vehicles were possibly VBIEDs coupled with their erratic driving and the failure of the vehicles to heed to the escalation of force conveyed a hostile intent.
- The soldiers were given the command to stop the vehicles. The soldiers were able to stop one vehicle without loss of life or damage to property. Regrettably the second vehicle did not respond to any of the non-lethal gestures.
- Given that the soldiers were told the vehicles were a potential VBIED, it is clear
  that they used the necessary level of force to protect themselves, civilians and
  other potential VBIED victims.
- 4. Answers to Questions raised in the appointment letter:
  - a. Exact Chronology of event see section I of this memorandum.
  - b. Training All soldiers involved received the proper training on traffic control, patrolling and rules of engagement (ROE). This training was conducted at Ft. Stewart, GA; the National Training Center, CA; and at Camp Buehring, Kuwait.
  - c. ROE The group used the appropriate escalation of force as explained in the CFLCC Rules for Use of Force. The soldiers shouted at the vehicle and used proper hand and arm signals. Then they showed their weapons in a manner that demonstrated intent to fire. Next warning shots were fired at a safe area, starting a reasonable distance from the vehicles. The patrol was able to stop the first vehicle without injury. This demonstrates that the patrol maintained the proper level of discipline while only engaging the target that still posed a threat.



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- d. The civilians had identification.
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- f. The civilians had no weapons.
- g. All civilians and vehicles were searched thoroughly.
- h. The entire incident was reported over FM transmission in a timely and accurate manner. An 8 line CIR was also sent in to the 48 BCT in a timely manner.
- i. The 48 BCT SOP does not discuss patrolling and traffic stops. Refer to section C-1-1 for information pertaining to tactical road marches; however, this section does not bare much relevance to this incident. The only point that may pertain to this scenario is the section on search refusal.

  In this case the vehicle refused to stop and thus refused to allow a search. A graduated escalation of force was used.

#### III. Recommendations (Section V)

Based upon all the evidence, my individual discussions with the witnesses who supplied sworn statements, and my findings of facts, I recommend the following:

- The soldiers all followed ROE regarding escalation of force. Thus, I do not recommend any type of disciplinary, administrative or UCMJ action.
- 2. While the 3ID SOP provides guidance for setting up a TCP it does not clearly outline how to react to a possible threat turning to flee. The soldier on the ground needs clearer guidelines with regards stopping fleeing vehicles. When is it appropriate to use lethal force to stop a potential threat from escaping?
- 3. All of the soldiers involved should be counseled and retrained on the engagement criteria for fleeing vehicles, so they further learn from this event.

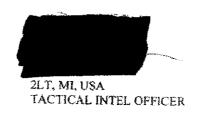


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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

4. The appropriate claims officers should be notified of potential claims arising from this incident.







# HEADQUARTERS 48th BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM, 3rd INFANTRY DIVISION CAMPAGE APO, AE 09372

S: 9 AUGUST 2005

**GAHQ-SJA** 

4 AUGUST 2005

MEMORANDUM FOR 2LT	HHC BN
SUBJECT: Appointment as 15-6 Investigating O	fficer

CODSDOT. Appointment as 13-0 investigating Officer

- 1. You are hereby appointed as an investigating officer to conduct an investigation pursuant to AR 15-6, paragraph 2-1(a)(3) into investigate the facts and circumstances of the alleged shooting of a civilian, on 040915AUG05, involving SSG SPC and SPC and SPC (Company A, 1/121 IN BN. You are to make specific findings and recommendations concerning the causes of the incident. Until the investigation is completed, this will be your primary duty responsibility.
- 2. Your investigations and findings will include, but not be limited to the following:
  - a. The exact chronology of events;
  - b. Did the person(s) involved have proper training on traffic control, patrolling and Rules of Engagement;
  - c. Were the Rules of Engagement followed;
  - d. Did the civilian have identification;
  - e. What was his/her name;
  - f. Did the civilian have a weapon;
  - g. Was the civilian searched after the shooting;
  - h. Was the incident reported correctly; and
  - i. What is the 48BCT SOP for dealing with patrolling and traffic stops?
- 3. You will use informal procedures under AR 15-6, Chapter 4. If, during your investigation, you suspect that persons you intend to interview may have violated any provision of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) or any other criminal law, you must advise them of their rights under the UCMJ, Article 31 as documented on DA Form 3881. Witness statements should be sworn and recorded on DA Form 2823.
- 4. Prepare the report of proceedings on DA Form 1574 and submit the original to me by the above suspense. You must submit any requests for delay to me in writing. Include

SUBJECT: Appointment as 15-6 Investigating Officer

with your report all documentary evidence, sworn statements, and other information or evidence you considered.

- 5. Before proceeding with the investigation you must contact CPT Before at the Brigade TOC for an initial legal briefing. CPT before will serve as your primary legal advisor.
- 6. By virtue of your appointment, you may direct the assistance of personnel with special technical knowledge to assist or advise you during your investigation. Requests should be coordinated through your legal advisor.

7. If during the course of your investigation you discover systemic training deficiencies that potentially caused or contributed to the incident under investigation, you will immediately contact your legal advisor for further guidance.

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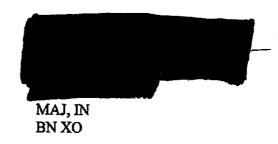
HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 2-121 INFANTRY REGIMENT (MECH) APO AE 09372

5 July 2005

MEMORANDUM FOR 2LT
SUBJECT: Appointment as 15-6 Investigating Officer

1. You are appointed as an investigating officer to conduct an investigation pursuant to AR 735-5 and AR 15-6, paragraph 2-1(a)(3) to investigate the facts and circumstances of the shooting occurred in grid You are to make specific findings and recommendations concerning the causes of the incident and the status of the above mentioned items. Until the investigation is completed, this will be your primary duty responsibility and must be completed within 24 hours.

- 2. You will use informal procedures under AR 15-6, Chapter 4. If, during your investigation, you suspect that persons you intend to interview may have violated any provision of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) or any other criminal law, you must advise them of their rights under the UCMJ, Article 31 as documented on DA Form 3881. Witness statements should be sworn and recorded on DA Form 2823.
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- 5. By virtue of your appointment, you may direct the assistance of personnel with special technical knowledge to assist or advise you during your investigation. Requests should be coordinated through your legal advisor.
- 6. If during the course of your investigation you discover systemic training, maintenance, and/or storage deficiencies that potentially caused or contributed to the incident under investigation, you will immediately contact your legal advisor for further guidance.
- 7. Provide the completed investigation paperwork to the undersigned.



#### EXHIBIT INDEX

- A. CIR and updated CIR
- B. Map of incident
- C. DA 2823-Sworn Statement from SSG
- D. DA 2823-Sworn Statement from SPC
- E. DA 2823-Sworn Statement from 1LT
- F. DA 2823-Sworn Statement from SPC
- G. DA 2823-Sworn Statement from SPC
- H. DA 2823-Sworn Statement from SGT
- I. Report Analysis Sheet from
- J. DA 4137-Evidence/Property Custody Document from LT

dated 04 August 2005

## **Exhibit A**

#### 2-121 IN CIR

LINE 1: Unit reporting: A/1-121 IN(M)

LINE 2: Incident: SHOOTING OF TWO POSSIBLE AIF

LINE 3: Date/time group (DTG) incident occurred: 040915AUG05

LINE 4: Location of incident:

LINE 5: Personnel involved:

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LINE 6: Summary of incident: AT APPROXIMATELY 0900 A TRANSMISSION WAS SENT TO FROM THE STATING THAT THEY NEEDED TO BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR TWO VEHICLES TRAVELLING TOGETHER, SILVER FOUR DOOR SEDAN AND A WHITE TWO DOOR SEDAN. THE TWO VEHICLES WERE SPOTTED BE AT 0915 AND WERE STOPPED BY FIRING WARNING SHOTS. THE LEAD VEHICLE STOPPED WITHOUT INCIDENT. THE TRAIL VEHICLE ATTEMPTED TO FLEE AND WAS ENGAGED BY THE CHECKPOINT.

LINE 7: ONE POSSIBLE AIF KIA, ONE POSSIBLE AIF WOUNDED, DAMAGE TO WHITE TWO DOOR SEDAN

LINE 8: 1LT

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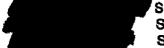
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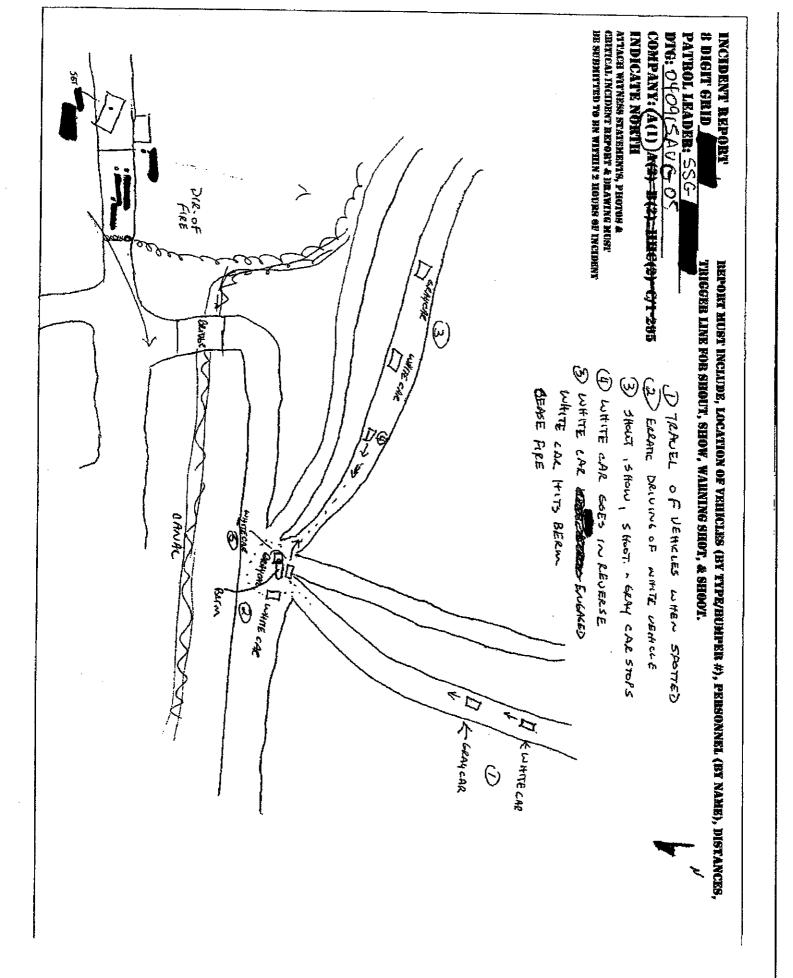
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LINE 7: Damage to government and/or civilian property: ONE POSSIBLE AIF KIA, ONE POSSIBLE AIF WOUNDED. UNKNOWN DAMAGE TO THE WHITE SEDAN.

LINE 8: Commander reporting:

## **Exhibit B**



## **Exhibit C**

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# Exhibit I

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# REPORT ANALYSIS SHEET

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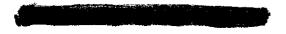
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5 August 2005

#### MEMERANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: 15-6 Investigation and Recommendation, Shooting of local nationals on August 4th, 2005.

## I. Summary of Facts (Section IV - Findings).

The following facts are based on the sworn statements and interviews with the eye witnesses. At approximately 0900 on the 4th of August, 2005 the 2-121 Infantry tactical operations center (TOC) received message traffic over FM advising them about a potential VBIED attack. The BN TOC passed this info to the company CP where it was then sent out to the patrol on the ground. The patrol was told to interdict two vehicles traveling in their AO. The vehicles described were a silver 4 door sedan and a white 4 door sedan traveling together. At approximately 0915, two cars matching the description given over the radio were seen traveling south east on Route heading toward The cars were about 30 meters apart. The cars came to the intersection of and turned south on This intersection has a large berm in the middle. The gray car made a normal right turn, in front of the berm, at the intersection, while the white vehicle drove in an erratic fashion almost a full circle around the berm and continued to follow the gray car. SSG L SPC began waving their hands and shouting at the vehicle to stop. The interpreter for the group also shouted in Arabic.

SSG the then pointed his weapon at the vehicle and it continued perpendicular to SSG the fired 3 warning shots. The first shot landed 50 – 75 feet in front of the lead vehicle. The second shot was fired 3-5 seconds later at the same spot on the ground. The cars continued without hesitation. The final warning shot was fired at the same area kicking up dirt near the front tire. After the third warning shot, the gray vehicle stopped and the driver put his hands out the window.

All of the occupants of the gray car exited the vehicle and began shouting at the white car to stop. The white car continued toward the gray vehicle and another warning shot was fired. The white car then stopped and began to travel in reverse away from the check point. SSG SPC and SPC and SPC and special fired warning shots to the front and rear of the vehicle. The car continued to move away from the check point. Shots were fired at the rear quarter panel, tires and engine block. The car slowed down and the cease fire order was given by SSG All firing stopped. The car continued to back into the berm it had erratically drove around earlier. The driver exited the vehicle and fell to the ground. The passenger also exited the vehicle on the far side. He remained next to the vehicle. A local national was sent to investigate the status of the passenger. The passenger was wounded. LT sarrived on the scene and began to search the gray



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vehicle. Nothing of significance was found. They questioned the passengers and decided they were not a threat. The gray car was allowed to leave the scene. The squad then moved to search the white vehicle and provide medical care to the wounded. Nothing of significance was found in the white vehicle. The passenger was taken to Striker TMC to be treated. LT contacted the IP to take the body of the driver and his vehicle.

## II. Findings of Facts (Section IV - Findings)

- 1. This investigation required careful examination of the facts surrounding the shooting.

  The vehicles were reported over FM to be possible VBIEDs. The assumption that the vehicles were possibly VBIEDs coupled with their erratic driving and the failure of the vehicles to heed to the escalation of force conveyed a hostile intent.
- 2. The soldiers were given the command to stop the vehicles. The soldiers were able to stop one vehicle without loss of life or damage to property. Regrettably the second vehicle did not respond to any of the non-lethal gestures.
- 3. Given that the soldiers were told the vehicles were a potential VBIED, it is clear that they used the necessary level of force to protect themselves, civilians and other potential VBIED victims.
- 4. Answers to Questions raised in the appointment letter:
  - a. Exact Chronology of event see section I of this memorandum.
  - b. Training All soldiers involved received the proper training on traffic control, patrolling and rules of engagement (ROE). This training was conducted at Ft. Stewart, GA; the National Training Center, CA; and at Camp Buehring, Kuwait.
  - c. ROE The group used the appropriate escalation of force.

    The soldiers shouted at the vehicle and used proper hand and arm signals. Then they showed their weapons in a manner that demonstrated intent to fire. Next warning shots were fired at a safe createstarting a reasonable distance from the vehicles. The patrol was able to stop the first vehicle without injury. This demonstrates that the patrol maintained the proper level of discipline while only engaging the target that still posed a threat.



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- d. The civilians had identification.
- e. The civilians in the gray vehicle (Tag 263274) were

  and Both individuals in the white vehicle (Tag 14170) were from Baghdad. The name of the deceased person was Hassan Negemish Jaber. The passenger's name is
- f. The civilians had no weapons.
- g. All civilians and vehicles were searched thoroughly.
- h. The entire incident was reported over FM transmission in a timely and accurate manner. An 8 line CIR was also sent in to the 48 BCT in a timely manner.
- i. The 48 BCT SOP does not discuss patrolling and traffic stops. Refer to section C-1-1 for information pertaining to tactical road marches; however, this section does not bare much relevance to this incident. The 3 ID FSOP discusses traffic control points (pg 2-32). The only point that may pertain to this scenario is the section on search refusal. The FSOP clearly states to use a graduated response if a search is refused. In this case the vehicle refused to stop and thus refused to allow a search. A graduated escalation of force was used.

### IIL Recommendations (Section V)

Based upon all the evidence, my individual discussions with the witnesses who supplied sworn statements, and my findings of facts, I recommend the following:

- The soldiers all followed ROE regarding escalation of force. Thus, I do not recommend any type of disciplinary, administrative or UCMJ action.
- 2. While the 3ID SOP provides guidance for setting up a TCP it does not clearly outline how to react to a possible threat turning to flee. The soldier on the ground needs clearer guidelines with regards stopping fleeing vehicles. When is it appropriate to use lethal force to stop a potential threat from escaping?
- All of the soldiers involved should be counseled and retrained on the engagement criteria for fleeing vehicles, so they further learn from this event.



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4. The appropriate claims officers should be notified of potential claims arising from this incident.

