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09JUL03

SPECIAL INQUIRY (II)

CONTROL: 09JUL03-MWPE-0149-7XMA

I/SECOND BN 5TH MAR REG 1ST MAR DIV/ALLEGED EXECUTION OF IRAQI PRISON ERS OF WAR

MADE AT/MWPE/CAMP PENDLETON, CA /

SPECIAL AGENT

CASE SUMMARY

- 1. On 13JUNO3, Special Agent (SA)

  2nd BN 5th MARREGT 1st

  MARDIV, USMC, Camp Pendleton (CPC), to make a statement regarding
  alleged war crimes committed by one of Marines,

  was concerned because was overheard

  bragging about stabbing dead and wounded Iraqi solders by retired

  while at the Naval Medical Center in San

  Diego.
- and Reporting Agent (RA) interviewed On 18JUN03, SA of Mental Health Services at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego. Both was at the hospital on had contact with when the 3rd and 4th of JUN 03. Doctors and related several incidents that the had told them. stated he had been meritoriously promoted to SGT and received a Purple Heart award from the Commandant of the Marine Corps. related he had a ceremony and parade in his honor at his home town of reported late to where a Congressman took him out to dinner. the hospital one morning and stated that he had been assaulted in downtown San Diego the night before and had spent the night at the police station assisting the San Diego Police Department (SDPD).
- 3. On 19JUNO3, RA contacted retired stated that he was concerned that was suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.
- 4. The San Diego County Automated Regional Justice Information System (ARJIS) was queried and no record of being assaulted or assisting SDPD was located.
- stated that 5. On 27JUN03, RA was contacted by command had conducted a preliminary investigation regarding wound. The PI revealed that it was possible that the wound was self-inflicted was certain that was not promoted and he did not receive a Purple Heart. said that to never had the opportunity to return home and his knowledge attend a ceremony and parade in his honor. stated that he had said that the round that was used by had a HUMVEE door that was apparently modified in order to aid in self inflicting a wound. was referred to Marine CID to investigate the self inflicted wound. Based on the information above claim of having stabbed Iraqi prisoners of war is considered

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part of his fictional story. No investigative action is planned by NCIS at this time.

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

Special Agent, NCISFO Camp Pendleton, CA
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#### **EXHIBITS**

- (1) Statement of (13JUN03...(Copy all)
- (2) IA: Interview of 18JUN03...(Copy all)
- (3) IA: Interview of 19JUN03...(Copy all)
- (4) IA: Interview of 27JUN03...(Copy all)

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### STATEMENT

Place	: NCISRA Camp Pendleton, California
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Date : June 13, 2003

USMC, make the following free and voluntary statement whom I know to be a Representative of the United States Naval Criminal Investigative Service. I make this statement of my own free will and without any threats made to me or promises extended. I fully understand that this statement is given concerning my knowledge of information relative to possible Iraqi war crimes committed by a Marine assigned to his unit. I am For purposes of identification, I am at male, born on eyes, about tall and weight pounds. I currently reside at I possess a secret security clearance of Headquarters and Service Company at 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion 5<sup>th</sup> am currently the Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division. Approximately one week ago, I received information from a courtesy call from a 1stSgt assigned duties at MCRD San Diego, CA. I cannot recall his last name at the moment, but he is a Hispanic Marine. This 1stSgt told me that he had inadvertently received info through his command that a Retired Admiral had talked with the CG at MCRD San Diego and related information regarding one of Marines by the name of apparently receiving pool therapy at the Balboa Naval Medical Center, San Diego, for a shoulder mjury that he sustained while participating in the Iraqi war. This 1stSgt related that apparently talked about stabbing dead Iraqi soldiers and killing wounded Iraqi solders as well. The had also mentioned that he had been meritoriously promoted by the Commandant of the Marine Corps from the rank of Lance Corporal to Sergeant. The 1stSgt added that the retired Admiral who overheard bragging in the pool area, then took him to see one of the officials at Balboa Naval Medical Center to report his actions. The 1stSgt could not recall who the to see at that time. I believe the Marine Liaison at retired Admiral took Balboa Naval Medical Center, has a lot of information regarding the situation with civilian physical therapist may have information relative to the information related civilian physical therapist. I believe the as well. I do not know the name of action will be the occupational/physical therapist majority of the people knowledgeable of at the Balboa Naval Medical Center. I personally do not believe the story -individuals at Balboa Naval Medical Center. I know that the while in Iraq, was assigned to the the driver and Chaplain's vehicle, which consisted of him, the Chaplain he Religious Program Specialist or Chaplain Assistant. ictually works for the Communications Officer for 2/5. I am not sure why the Chaplain's vehicle as a communicator. I am not sure when injured in Iraq, but I know there are issues with the circumstances surrounding his injury which was a gunshot wound to his shoulder. I believe the story related by concerning the shooting was that while everyone in his vehicle was asleep, a lone Iraqi soldier approached the vehicle and shot him as he returned fire and shot the Iraqı soldier. I believe contends everyone in the vehicle was asleep at the time of the shooting incident; however, I believe the others related they only heard one gunshot. I am not sure if the incident is being investigated, but I do know that received a purple heart, which leads me to believe there may be some issues with the shooting incident

(Formerly NCISFORM 016/04-81)

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# Continuation of voluntary sworn statement of USMC

on June 13, 2003

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	been given the opportunity to make any changes or corrections I desire to make and have placed my initials over the changes or corrections. This statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge and	
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