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I. CW3 (b)(6), (b)(3) (b)(6) CZ 18/Air Mission Commander/Instructor Pilot)

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III. CW2 (b)(6), (b)(3) (b)(6) , CZ 18/Co-Pilot Gunner)

IV. CW4 (b)(6), (b)(3) (b)(6) , CZ 19/Pilot in Command)

V. Transcript of interview with (b)(6), (b)(3) (b)(6) , CZ 19/Maintenance Test Pilot/Pilot in Command)

VI. CPT (b)(6), (b)(3) (b)(6) , CZ 19/Co-Pilot Gunner)

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Exhibit I – Photographs

- I. Armed AIF with reporters with cameras slung over right shoulder
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- III. Reporter crouched turning the corner aiming camera towards Coalition Forces.
- IV. Reporter crouching; demonstrating hostile action toward Coalition Forces.
- V. Armed AIF with reporters gathered at corner of building.

Exhibit J – Report of Investigation UP AR 15-6; 2BCT, 2ID; Investigation into Civilian Casualties Resulting from An Engagement on 12 July 2007 in the New Baghdad District of Baghdad, Iraq; MAJ (b)(6), (b)(3) HHC/2-2 ID; dated 17 July 2007



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

AFVA-1ACB-JA

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 1ST AIR CAVALRY BRIGADE
1ST CAVALRY DIVISION
CAMP TAJI, IRAQ APO AE 09378

20 July 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Camp Taji, Iraq APO AE 09378

SUBJECT: Legal Review, AR 15-6 Investigation, Finding and Recommendations of the Conditions Surrounding the Possible Death of Two Reuters Reporters during an Engagement on 12 July 2007 by Crazyhorse 18 and 19, 1st Battalion, 227th Aviation Regiment, in the New Baghdad District of Baghdad, Iraq (Zone 30).

1. In accordance with AR 15-6, paragraph 2-3, I have reviewed the AR 15-6 investigation into the Finding and Recommendations of the Conditions Surrounding the Possible Death of Two Reuters Reporters during an Engagement on 12 July 2007 by Crazyhorse 18 and 19, 1st Battalion, 227th Aviation Regiment, in the New Baghdad District of Baghdad, Iraq (Zone 30), investigated by LTC (b)(6), (b)(3), Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division. I make the following determinations:

- a. The proceedings comply with legal requirements.
- b. Errors in the proceedings, if any, do not have a material adverse effect on any individual's substantial rights.
- c. Sufficient evidence supports the findings.
- d. The recommendations are consistent with the findings.

2. The investigation is legally sufficient. The approval authority for the investigation is the Commanding General.

3. The point of contact is the undersigned at VOIP (b)(6)

(b)(6), (b)(3)

CPT, JA
Command Judge Advocate



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade
Multi-National Division (Baghdad)
APO AE 09378

AFVA-1ACB-ADJ

13 July 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR LTC (b)(6), (b)(3) HHC, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, Multi-National Division (Baghdad), APO AE 09378

SUBJECT: Appointment as 15-6 Investigating Officer

1. You are appointed as an Investigating Officer pursuant to AR 15-6, in order to conduct an informal investigation into the conditions surrounding the possible death of two Reuters reporters during an engagement on 12 July 2007 by 1-227th ARB aircraft, Crazy horse 18 and 19, in the New Baghdad district of Baghdad, Iraq (Zone 30).
2. Conduct your investigation using the informal procedures contained in AR 15-6. You must obtain sworn statements from all witnesses.
3. Contact the Office of the Command Judge Advocate, CPT (b)(6), (b)(3) at VOIP (b)(6) before beginning your investigation.
4. Submit your findings and recommendations in memorandum format to COL (b)(6), (b)(3) no later than 23 July 2007.
5. POC for this memorandum is the undersigned at VOIP (b)(6)

(b)(6), (b)(3)

COL, AV
Commanding

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

INVESTIGATING OFFICER/BOARD OF

ICERS

For use of this form, see AR 15-6; the proponent agency is OTJAG.

IF MORE SPACE IS REQUIRED IN FILLING OUT ANY PORTION OF THIS FORM, ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS

SECTION I - APPOINTMENT

Appointed by _____ (b)(6), (b)(3) COL, AV, Commanding
(Appointing authority)

on 13 July 2007 (Date) (Attach inclosure 1: Letter of appointment or summary of oral appointment data.) (See para 3-15, AR 15-6.)

SECTION II - SESSIONS

The (investigation) (board) commenced at Forward Operating Base (FOB) Taji, Taji, Iraq at 2000 hours
(Place) (Time)

on 13 July 2007 (Date) (If a formal board met for more than one session, check here | |. Indicate in an inclosure the time each session began and ended, the place, persons present and absent, and explanation of absences, if any.) The following persons (members, respondents, counsel) were present: (After each name, indicate capacity, e.g., President, Recorder, Member, Legal Advisor.)

The following persons (members, respondents, counsel) were absent: (Include brief explanation of each absence.) (See paras 5-2 and 5-8a, AR 15-6.)

The (investigating officer) (board) finished gathering/hearing evidence at 1720 hours on 18 July 2007
(Time) (Date)

and completed findings and recommendations at 2300 hours on 19 July 2007
(Time) (Date)

SECTION III - CHECKLIST FOR PROCEEDINGS

A. COMPLETE IN ALL CASES		YES	NO ^{1/}	NA ^{2/}
1	Inclosures (para 3-15, AR 15-6)			
	Are the following inclosed and numbered consecutively with Roman numerals: (Attached in order listed)			
	a. The letter of appointment or a summary of oral appointment data?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b. Copy of notice to respondent, if any? (See item 9, below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	c. Other correspondence with respondent or counsel, if any?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	d. All other written communications to or from the appointing authority?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	e. Privacy Act Statements (Certificate, if statement provided orally)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	f. Explanation by the investigating officer or board of any unusual delays, difficulties, irregularities, or other problems encountered (e.g., absence of material witnesses)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	g. Information as to sessions of a formal board not included on page 1 of this report?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	h. Any other significant papers (other than evidence) relating to administrative aspects of the investigation or board?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

FOOTNOTES: 1/ Explain all negative answers on an attached sheet.

2/ Use of the N/A column constitutes a positive representation that the circumstances described in the question did not occur in this investigation or board.

		YES	NO ^{1/}	NA ^{2/}
2	Exhibits (para 3-16, AR 15-6)			
	a. Are all items offered (whether or not received) or considered as evidence individually numbered or lettered as exhibits and attached to this report?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b. Is an index of all exhibits offered to or considered by investigating officer or board attached before the first exhibit?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	c. Has the testimony/statement of each witness been recorded verbatim or been reduced to written form and attached as an exhibit?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	d. Are copies, descriptions, or depictions (if substituted for real or documentary evidence) properly authenticated and is the location of the original evidence indicated?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	e. Are descriptions or diagrams included of locations visited by the investigating officer or board (para 3-6b, AR 15-6)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	f. Is each written stipulation attached as an exhibit and is each oral stipulation either reduced to writing and made an exhibit or recorded in a verbatim record?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	g. If official notice of any matter was taken over the objection of a respondent or counsel, is a statement of the matter of which official notice was taken attached as an exhibit (para 3-16d, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	Was a quorum present when the board voted on findings and recommendations (paras 4-1 and 5-2b, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
B. COMPLETE ONLY FOR FORMAL BOARD PROCEEDINGS (Chapter 5, AR 15-6)				
4	At the initial session, did the recorder read, or determine that all participants had read, the letter of appointment (para 5-3b, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Was a quorum present at every session of the board (para 5-2b, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Was each absence of any member properly excused (para 5-2a, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Were members, witnesses, reporter, and interpreter sworn, if required (para 3-1, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	If any members who voted on findings or recommendations were not present when the board received some evidence, does the inclosure describe how they familiarized themselves with that evidence (para 5-2d, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. COMPLETE ONLY IF RESPONDENT WAS DESIGNATED (Section II, Chapter 5, AR 15-6)				
9	Notice to respondents (para 5-5, AR 15-6):			
	a. Is the method and date of delivery to the respondent indicated on each letter of notification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b. Was the date of delivery at least five working days prior to the first session of the board?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	c. Does each letter of notification indicate —	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(1) the date, hour, and place of the first session of the board concerning that respondent?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(2) the matter to be investigated, including specific allegations against the respondent, if any?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(3) the respondent's rights with regard to counsel?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(4) the name and address of each witness expected to be called by the recorder?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(5) the respondent's rights to be present, present evidence, and call witnesses?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	d. Was the respondent provided a copy of all unclassified documents in the case file?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	e. If there were relevant classified materials, were the respondent and his counsel given access and an opportunity to examine them?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	If any respondent was designated after the proceedings began (or otherwise was absent during part of the proceedings):			
	a. Was he properly notified (para 5-5, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b. Was record of proceedings and evidence received in his absence made available for examination by him and his counsel (para 5-4c, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Counsel (para 5-6, AR 15-6):			
	a. Was each respondent represented by counsel?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Name and business address of counsel:			
	(If counsel is a lawyer, check here)			
	b. Was respondent's counsel present at all open sessions of the board relating to that respondent?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	c. If military counsel was requested but not made available, is a copy (or, if oral, a summary) of the request and the action taken on it included in the report (para 5-6b, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	If the respondent challenged the legal advisor or any voting member for lack of impartiality (para 5-7, AR 15-6):			
	a. Was the challenge properly denied and by the appropriate officer?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b. Did each member successfully challenged cease to participate in the proceedings?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	Was the respondent given an opportunity to (para 5-8a, AR 15-6):			
	a. Be present with his counsel at all open sessions of the board which deal with any matter which concerns that respondent?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b. Examine and object to the introduction of real and documentary evidence, including written statements?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	c. Object to the testimony of witnesses and cross-examine witnesses other than his own?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	d. Call witnesses and otherwise introduce evidence?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	e. Testify as a witness?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	f. Make or have his counsel make a final statement or argument (para 5-9, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	If requested, did the recorder assist the respondent in obtaining evidence in possession of the Government and in arranging for the presence of witnesses (para 5-8b, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	Are all of the respondent's requests and objections which were denied indicated in the report of proceedings or in an inclosure or exhibit to it (para 5-11, AR 15-6)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FOOTNOTES: 1/ Explain all negative answers on an attached sheet. 2/ Use of the N/A column constitutes a positive representation that the circumstances described in the question did not occur in this investigation or board.				

The (investigating officer) (board) , having carefully considered the evidence, finds:

See Attached Memorandum, Findings and Recommendations to AR 15-6 Investigation into Conditions Surrounding the Possible Death of Two Reuters Reporters during an Engagement on 12 July 2007 by Crazyhorse 18 and 19, 1st Battalion, 227th Aviation Regiment, in the New Baghdad District of Baghdad, Iraq (Zone 30), dated 19 July 2007.

SECTION V - RECOMMENDATIONS (para 3-11, AR 15-6)

In view of the above findings, the (investigating officer) (board) recommends:

See Attached Memorandum, Findings and Recommendations to AR 15-6 Investigation into Conditions Surrounding the Possible Death of Two Reuters Reporters during an Engagement on 12 July 2007 by Crazyhorse 18 and 19, 1st Battalion, 227th Aviation Regiment, in the New Baghdad District of Baghdad, Iraq (Zone 30), dated 19 July 2007.



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 1ST AIR CAVALRY BRIGADE
MULTI-NATIONAL DIVISION (BAGHDAD)
CAMP TAJI, IRAQ, APO AE 09378

AFVA-1ACB-DBC

19 July 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division (Multi-National Division – Baghdad), Camp Taji, Iraq, APO AE 09378

SUBJECT: Findings and Recommendations Pursuant to AR 15-6 Investigation into Conditions Surrounding the Possible Death of Two Reuters Reporters during an Engagement on 12 July 2007 by Crazyhorse 18 and 19 in the New Baghdad District of Baghdad, Iraq (Zone 30)

1. Purpose. The purpose of this memorandum is to outline findings and recommendations pursuant to the aforementioned investigation with emphasis on decision making between aircrew members and communications between the attack weapons team (AWT) and the 2-2 ID (Strike) unit in contact.

2. Summary.

a. On 12 July 2007, the AWT, call sign Crazyhorse 18 and 19, began their mission window at 0630 hours. Tasked to conduct escort, armed reconnaissance patrols, counter-IED and counter mortar operations over Baghdad from 0930 through 1330 hours, the team departed Camp Taji at 0924 hours and began conducting task in accordance with their planned scheme of maneuver. After escorting a team of UH-60s to COP Callahan and harmonizing their 30mm cannons in Zone 101, the AWT was redirected to support troops in contact in Baghdad Security Zone 30. Soldiers from 2-16 IN were conducting operations in support of OPERATION ILAAJ (CURE) in the Mualameen Muhallah of Tisa Nisan District, East Baghdad. At 0953 hours, the AWT arrived on station and began operations in support of B/1-26 IN.

b. Upon arriving on station, sporadic attacks on friendly forces continued. The AWT conducted local security operations and initiated a reconnaissance effort to find, report, and destroy hostile forces engaging our brothers on the ground. At 1019 hours, Crazyhorse 19 (trail aircraft) identified personnel with weapons (AK-47s and a RPG), both held and slung over the shoulder, in the vicinity of an open area East of the friendly unit's position and approximately one city block away. Having positively identified personnel with weapons, the AWT initiated an engagement sequence.

c. Maintaining contact with the threat and knowledgeable of friendly locations, the AWT maneuvered to engage. On the downwind leg of a racetrack pattern, Crazyhorse 18's copilot/gunner (lead aircraft – front seat) perceived an escalation of the immediate threat to our ground troops after observing an individual peering around a building, preparing to fire an RPG at a friendly HMMWV positioned at the end of the block. Crazyhorse 18's pilot (lead aircraft – back seat) viewed the copilot/gunner's TADS imagery and confirmed his assessment after quickly looking outside the aircraft and acquiring the threat without optics. Seconds later,

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Crazyhorse 19 (trail aircraft) observed the same individual. At this point, the individual was in a crouched, firing position with his weapon pointed towards friendly troops. Having observed a hostile act, the team continued to transition for the attack. At 1021 hours, the AWT engaged approximately 8 military-age-males eliminating the immediate threat to friendly ground forces less than 200 meters away.

d. Following the engagement, Crazyhorse 18 and 19 remained on station overwatching the engagement area and conducting reconnaissance along the ground patrol's ingress route. At 1026 hours and along with the ground patrol's entry into the engagement area, a black van arrived to retrieve one of the wounded insurgents. Crazyhorse 18 requested immediate clearance to engage the van, received it, and completely disabled the vehicle within seconds. The B/1-26 IN patrol continued to the engagement area to assess and exploit the scene and immediately established a cordon. The AWT remained on station conducting reconnaissance in search of insurgents still firing on friendly ground forces.

3. Findings.

a. ***The AWT was on a directed mission; conducted the appropriate check-in with ground elements in contact; and received an adequate situation report describing the current status and disposition of forces on the ground.*** At this point, the AWT began to develop the situation in concert with the ground element in contact and maintained positive identification of friendly locations throughout the supported period. As the situation developed, the AWT exercised sound judgment and discrimination during attempts to acquire insurgents, or moreover, to identify personnel engaged in hostile or threatening activities against our brothers on the ground.

b. ***The AWT accurately assessed that the criteria to find and terminate the threat to friendly forces were met in accordance with the law of armed conflict and rules of engagement.***

Fundamental to all engagements is the principle of military necessity. This was clearly established and supported by the friendly forces inherent right to self defense and the ground commander's obligation to ensure all necessary means were employed to defend or protect his Soldiers from hostile acts. In this case, the AWT was employed to destroy insurgents attempting to kill friendly forces. The attack weapons team:

(1). ***Positively Identified the Treat:*** The AWT, with reasonable certainty, identified military aged males both in a location and with weapons consistent with reports of hostile acts conducted against friendly forces. While observing this group of individuals, the AWT satisfied all requirements to initiate an engagement.

(2). ***Established hostile intent:*** Hostile intent was exhibited by armed insurgents peering around the corner of a home to monitor the movement or activities of friendly forces and

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confirmed by the presence of those personnel carrying an RPG and AK-47s. These weapon systems were reported in the initial check-in as the type used to engage friendly forces.

(3). *Conducted collateral damage assessment:* The AWT accurately assessed that using the 30mm cannon was proportionally appropriate to omit the threat while reducing the probability of excessive damage to surrounding structures, vehicles and real property in the area.

(4). *Received clearance of fires:* Having already identified through voice communications, physical markings and ultimately visual recognition of friendly positions, the AWT again requested and received clearance from the ground unit that there were no friendly forces in the engagement area.

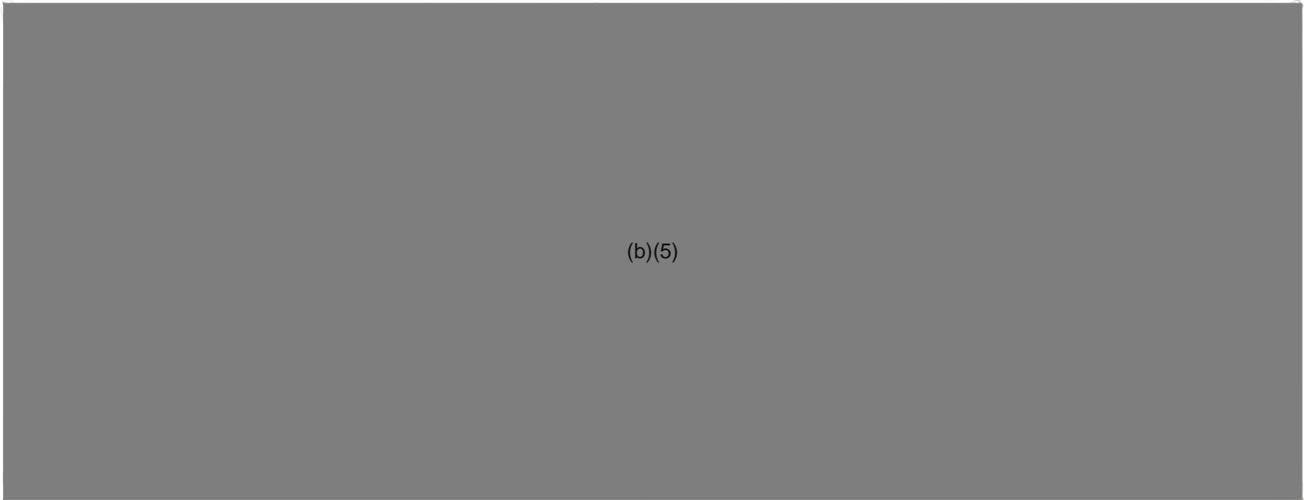
c. Only after an extensive review of the AWT's gun-camera video and with knowledge of the two missing media personnel, is it reasonable to deduce that two of the individuals intermixed among the insurgents located in the engagement area may have been reporters. There was neither reason nor probability to assume that neutral media personnel were embedded with enemy forces. It is worth noting the fact that insurgent groups often video and photograph friendly activity and insurgent attacks against friendly forces for use in training videos and for use as propaganda to exploit or highlight their capabilities. The aircrews erroneously identified the cameras as weapons due to presentation (slung over shoulder with the body of the object resting at the back, rear of the torso) and association (personnel colocated with others having RPGs and AK-47s).

4. Recommendations.

(b)(5)

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(b)(5)

5. The point of contact for this investigation is the undersigned at: Phone – (b3)(b6) (SVOIP) or

(b)(2) High

DSN); email –

(b)(2)High

or

(b)(2)High



(b)(6), (b)(3)

LTC, AV
Deputy Brigade Commander

SECTION AUTHENTICATION (para 3-17, AR 15-6)

THIS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE. (If any voting member or the recorder fails to sign here or in Section VII below, indicate the reason in the space where his signature should appear.)

(b)(3), (b)(6)

(Recorder)

LTC (b3)(b6) (Investigating Officer) (President)

(Member)

(Member)

(Member)

(Member)

SECTION VII - MINORITY REPORT (para 3-13, AR 15-6)

To the extent indicated in Inclosure _____, the undersigned do(es) not concur in the findings and recommendations of the board. (In the inclosure, identify by number each finding and/or recommendation in which the dissenting member(s) do(es) not concur. State the reasons for disagreement. Additional/substitute findings and/or recommendations may be included in the inclosure.)

(Member)

(Member)

SECTION VIII - ACTION BY APPOINTING AUTHORITY (para 2-3, AR 15-6)

The findings and recommendations of the (investigating officer) (board) are (approved) (disapproved) (approved with following exceptions/substitutions). (If the appointing authority returns the proceedings to the investigating officer or board for further proceedings or corrective action, attach that correspondence (or a summary, if oral) as a numbered inclosure.)

ACTION BY APPROVAL AUTHORITY:

I ratify the appointment of the investigating officer, LTC (b)(6), (b)(3)

I approve the "Summary" and "Findings."

The recommendation that:

- [1] IACB include this engagement in ROE training is (approved) (disapproved) (remanded to the Bde Cdr).
- [2] IACB enforce prohibitions on photographing aircraft is (approved) (disapproved) (b)(6) (remanded to the Bde Cdr).
- [3] IACB Master Gunner compile gun-camera footage for training purposes is (approved) (disapproved) (remanded to the Bde Cdr).
- [4] Reporters undergo "hazardous duty training" is (approved) (disapproved) (b)(6) (remanded to the Bde Cdr).

I remand the matter to the Bde Cdr for appropriate action.

VKB

VINCENT K. BROOKS
Brigadier General, USA
Commanding

21 JUL 2007

(b)(6), (b)(3)

COL (b)(6), (b)(3) Commanding

Col 20 July 2007