

# **Defense Intelligence Agency**

## **Briefing to the SSCI staff**

### **DIA Interactions with IRAQI Prisoners**

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# Agenda

Training, Policy and Procedures

ISG JIDC Operations

ISG Interrogation Standards

ISG Debriefing/Interrogation Methods

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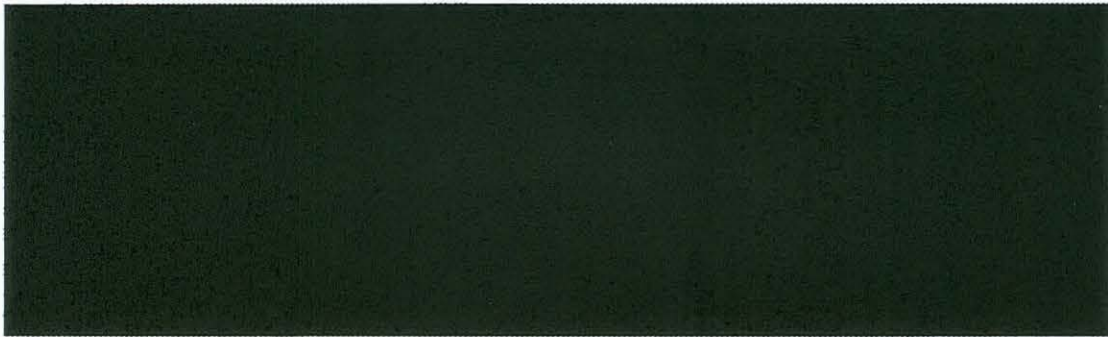
Contract Interrogators

Other DIA Interactions

DIA Activities at Abu Ghraib

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# Directorate of HUMINT Intelligence (DH) Training



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- DH established an Interrogation Familiarization course in 2003 to provide debriefers with interrogation skills – in response to increasing number of interrogation requirements

# Policy and Procedures

- All DH interrogations are required to be conducted in accordance with Army FM 34-52 and within the guidelines of the Geneva Conventions
- Iraq Survey Group (ISG) published an interrogation SOP in October 2003 (updated May 2004) specifically addressing interrogation operations
- IAW ISG SOP DH interrogation approaches within Iraq are conducted IAW CJTF 7 guidelines published in October 2003
- DH disseminated a Draft DIA Policy Memo 73 providing specific interrogation guidelines for deployed DH interrogators

## DIA Support to Phase III 1003V

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- [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was responsible for interviewing, debriefing, interrogating detainees, walk-ins, referrals and others for HUMINT intelligence information

- [REDACTED] was established in Baghdad 22 April 2003

- [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was responsible for oversight of interviews, debriefings and interrogations conducted by JIDC personnel
- Interrogation approaches were in compliance with current Army Doctrine for interrogation operations

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# ISG Assumes [REDACTED]

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- High Value Detainees (HVD) are held at the Secure Confinement Facility (SCF). [REDACTED] (b)(1)  
[REDACTED]
  - Established one week refresher interrogation course with professional instructors all selected personnel
  - Instruction included training on Geneva Convention
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## ISG Interrogation Standards

- Reasonable expectation that detainee possesses information of intelligence value
- Medical Staff determined fitness of detainee for interrogation
- Interrogator develops Interrogation plan which was approved by team chief for each detainee

# ISG Team Methodology

- Teams consist of Debriefers/Interrogators, Subject Matter Expert, Analyst and Linguist
- Team uses all-source intelligence, information developed from documents in Iraq and information acquired from previous debriefing/interrogation sessions to question subject
- Teams develop best approach to obtain intelligence in response to identified requirements
- Debriefing/Interrogation plan is developed and approved



## DIFFERENCE BETWEEN [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AND ABU GHRAIB

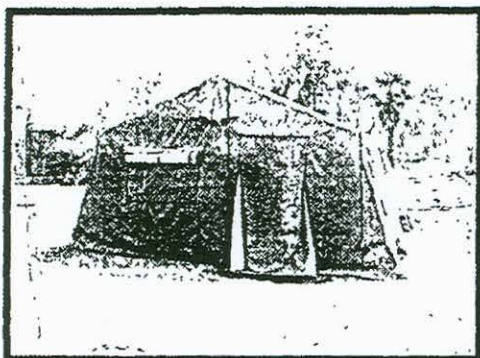
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[REDACTED] is the Detention Center for High Value Detainees. Operated by [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Those held at [REDACTED] are best described as having above average intelligence, a history of leadership, and persons regarded as having held elite positions within Saddam's Iraq. The average age is estimated to be 60. There are only approximately 100 detainees at [REDACTED] JIDC conducts debriefings of detainees primarily at this location

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Abu Ghraib is operated by [REDACTED] It contains suspected insurgents and common criminals. It has contained as many as approximately 7000 detainees. Detainees are interrogated by [REDACTED] assigned interrogators.

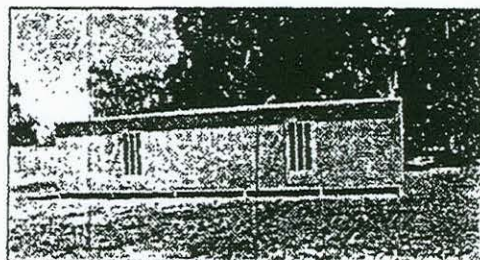
## UPGRADES TO HVD FACILITY



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[REDACTED] was an Iraqi Air Defense NCO Academy. Interior walls and additional doors were added to existing building to create the individual rooms

- Early July 2003- Converted Interrogation booths from tents to trailers
- Late August 2003 – Air Conditioning and heaters installed
- Late March 2004 – Installed larger wattage light bulbs in rooms

- April 2004 – Ice and bottle water became available to HVDs
- April 2004 – HVDs received 2 hot meals a day
- End of April 2004 – Hot Tea became available to detainees
- First Week of May 2004 – Increased total water capacity for showers, allowing more frequent showers
- Currently MP's are painting the rooms to improve ambient light and are adding Plexiglas panels to allow for more natural light



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## MONITORING AT CAMP CROPPER

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monitoring is available in four of the six interrogation booths

- Monitoring is conducted regularly in order to:
  - Allow analysts a view of the debriefing without being in the room
  - Assess for deception by detainee
  - Enable quality control
  - Train debriefers/Subject Matter Experts/linguists

## CONTRACT INTERROGATORS

- Contract interrogators began arriving at ISG in late March 2004 with the latest group arriving on 12 May 2004 based on ISG Request

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[REDACTED]

- Contractors conducted interrogations of HVD's IAW pre-approved interrogation plans. To our knowledge, all sessions have been professionally conducted in accordance with standing regulations, SOPs and doctrine. No problems have been noted
- One on One Contractor interrogation sessions ceased on 5 May 2004
- Debriefings conducted by contractors are now observed by DIA personnel
- ISG contracting company provided refresher training on Geneva Conventions for selected employees prior to deployment
- All contractors received law of land warfare briefings from [REDACTED]

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## OTHER DIA INTERACTIONS WITH IRAQI PRISONERS/DETAINEES

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- Team traveled to [REDACTED] to debrief former Iraqi General Officers in August 2003
- One JIDC interrogator conducted interrogations of suspected terrorists in Sulymania during 7-13 February 2004 in support of ISG Counterterrorism (CT) screening process.
- JIDC conducted screening and interrogations at [REDACTED] Facility in support of ISG CT/Chemical Warfare (CW) Functional Team Mission (b)(1)
- One JIDC debriefer performed duties as Liaison Officer (LNO) and screener in detention facilities in [REDACTED]
- DH deployed a six-man debriefing team to [REDACTED] Team (b)(1)  
consisted of four debriefers/interrogators, a Reports Officer (RO), and a Senior Officer to maintain oversight



## JIDC ACTIVITIES AT ABU GHRAIB

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- OCT- NOV 03 [REDACTED] debriefer met with former ISS officer who allegedly had information on Speicher
  - OCT-NOV 03 JIDC debriefer/interrogator and interpreter conduct follow up interrogation of detainee previously interrogated at Al Asad air base in Aug-Sep 03. Approx 30 total minutes with detainee
  - Early JAN 04 DIA CT debriefer conducted coordination with HOC and CT Team Chief on site. No Prisoner/Detainee interaction
  - FEB 04 JIDC debriefer traveled to Abu Ghraib to locate detainee for release. No detainee interaction
  - JAN-FEB 04 JIDC debriefer accompanied captured personnel to Abu Ghraib. JIDC debriefer acted as an observer behind a two way mirror to observe captured persons reactions to questions posed a non-DIA interrogator for signs of deception
  - 6 JAN 04 DIA debriefer/interrogators traveled to Abu Ghraib to check the status of three detainees on behalf of JIDC ISG HVD. No prisoner contact
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