


US CENTRAL COMMAND ACTION PROCESSING FORM

TO: CDR	CLASSIFICATION: SECRET	ACTION NUMBER D:030506-040
THRU: DCOM, DCS, COS		ORIG SUSPENSE
SUBJECT: Personal For message from the Commander, USCENTCOM to the Secretary of Defense Subj: Low level detainees in Iraq and Afghanistan	ACTION	SJS SUSPENSE
	X APPROVAL	04 MAY 03
	X SIGNATURE	STAFF SUSPENSE
	INFORMATION	04 MAY 03

ACTION SUMMARY:

- PURPOSE:** To obtain the CDR's signature on a 'Personal For' message to the Secretary of Defense.
- DISCUSSION:** Per the CDR's direction, a 'Personal For' message to the Secretary of Defense was drafted to provide the way ahead on disposition of Low Level Detainees in Iraq and Afghanistan.
- ACTION REQUESTED:** CDR approve and sign the message.

Tab A: Low level enemy combatants
 Tab B: Detention Facilities in Iraq
 Tab C: Legal comments


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COORDINATION/APPROVAL

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CCJA	COED	(b)(6)	5 MAY	COM	SIGN		
CJIA 1.4a CG	COED			DCOM	COORD		
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ACTION OFFICER: b 3 b 6 JIACG, b 6	CLASSIFIED BY: Victor E. Renuart, Jr., USAF, Director of Operations
DATE PREPARED: 04 May 2003	DECLASSIFY ON: 31 May 2013

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SECDEF WASHINGTON DC

INFO CJCS WASHINGTON DC//DJS/J3/J5//

ASST SECDEF WASHINGTON DC

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SUBJ:

DELIVER DURING NORMAL DUTY HOURS//

PERSONAL FOR SECDEF, SECRETARY RUMSFELD; INFO CJCS, GEN MYERS;

DEPSECDEF, DEPUTY SECRETARY WOLFOWITZ; DJS, GEN CASEY; JCS J3, LT GEN

SCHWARTZ; JCS J5, LTG SHARP; COMCJTF 1.4a, LTG MCNEILL, FROM GENERAL

FRANKS//

MSGID/GENADMIN/CCJ3//

SUBJ: LOW LEVEL DETAINEE FACILITIES IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN (S)//

RMKS/1. (S) MR. SECRETARY, IN RESPONSE TO YOUR TASKERS CONTAINED IN THE MEMOS OF 21 APRIL 03, I AM DOING THE FOLLOWING IN AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ CONCERNING DETAINEE CONTROL.

2. (S) IN IRAQ, WE HAVE ESTABLISHED AN AGGRESSIVE RELEASE/PAROLE PROGRAM OF THOSE DETAINEES WHO ARE NOT CONSIDERED A THREAT AND WHO HAVE NO EXPLOITABLE INTELLIGENCE VALUE. AS OF 08 MAY 03, WE RELEASED 3,863 INNOCENT CIVILIANS, PAROLED 3,790 EPWS, AND HAVE 1,754 DETAINEES ON HAND. TO DATE 78% OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DETAINEES ALREADY HAVE BEEN REPATRIATED. IN THE FUTURE, AS THE NEW IRAQI

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GOVERNMENT IS FORMED AND FUNCTIONAL, DETAINEES SHOULD NOT BE AN
ISSUE.

3. (S) AFGHANISTAN POSES A DIFFERENT CHALLENGE. AS OF 16 JUNE 02, WE
NO LONGER WILL SEND LOW-LEVEL COMBATANTS WHO POSSESS NO EXPLOITABLE
VALUE TO CAMP DELTA, GTMO. I WILL TRANSFER THOSE DETAINEES AT THE
FIRST OPPORTUNITY, TO THE CUSTODY OF THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT. IN ORDER
TO CARRY OUT THIS POLICY, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT APPROPRIATE
AGREEMENTS ARE REACHED WITH PRESIDENT KARZAI AND AN ACCEPTABLE AFGHAN
DETENTION CAPABILITY IS QUICKLY ESTABLISHED. THE SHORT TERM DETENTION
FACILITY AT BAGRAM WILL REACH ITS CAPACITY BY THE END OF THIS
CALENDAR YEAR WITH LOW LEVEL DETAINEES KEPT IN AFGHANISTAN RATHER
THAN TRANSFERRED TO GTMO. THE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR NEGOTIATING
THE APPROPRIATE AGREEMENTS AND ESTABLISHING DETENTION CAPABILITIES
LIES WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AS YOUR 21 APRIL 03 MEMORANDUM TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE PROVIDES. LTG MCNEILL AND I WILL ENGAGE
PRESIDENT KARZAI TO REINFORCE THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS EFFORT AND WILL
RENDER ASSISTANCE TO THE AMBASSADOR AS REQUIRED TO MEET YOUR INTENT.
VERY RESPECTFULLY, TOM FRANKS//

CLASSIFIED BY: T. R. FRANKS, GEN, COMUSCENTCOM

REASON: 1.5 A

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