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OP FALCONER INCIDENT REPORT CTG 633.3 022

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SUBJ: CTG 633.3 OP FALCONER INCIDENT REPORT 022 DATED 120530Z  
APR 03

1. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT.

A. TE 633.3.1.1 DETAINED A NUMBER OF SUSPECT PERSONNEL ON THE MSR AND, THROUGH CJSOTF-W, FACILITATED THEIR MOVE TO TF SEMINOLE AT H1 UNDER CONTROL OF UK FORCES.

B. TE 633.3.1.1.2 WHILST CONDUCTING SNAP VCPS ON MSR WITHIN EXTENDED SOA 2, STOPPED AND DETAINED A NUMBER OF SUSPECT PERS AT APPROX 111300Z APR 03 HEADING WEST FM AR RAMADI.

C. 59 SUSPECTED FEDAYEEN PERS WERE DETAINED ALONG WITH 4 IRANIANS AND 3 SUSPECTED BAATH PARTY MBRS. SUSPECTS WERE DRIVING A BUS AND TWO CARS WHEN STOPPED. SUSPECTS WERE DETAINED ON ADVICE FROM A SHEIK. S41 WHO APPROACHED VCP.

D. SHEIK HAD PID 5 PERS IN LOC AS FEDAYEEN, AND 3 PERS AS BAATH PARTY OFFICIALS WITH ONE POSSIBLY A RANK OF COL. SHEIK ALSO PROVIDED B TP WITH A LETTER FROM ALL 8 SHEIKS FM AR ARAMADI. LETTER IS PRO-US AND STATES THAT COALITION FORCES SHOULD COME TO AR AMARDI.

E. IRANIAN PERS DETAINED WERE CARRYING \$500,000 US AND OTHER CURRENCY AND A LETTER STATING THAT THEY WILL RECEIVE \$5000 US IF MORE AMERICANS ARE KILLED.

F. ALL PERS WERE DETAINED AND HANDED OVER TO UK FORCES FOR TPT BY UK CH47 TO H1 FOR FURTHER PROCESSING. THIS EXCHANGE WAS COMPLETED BY 112330Z WITH THE US STS ATTACHED TO TF 64 EFFECTING THE DETENTION AND THEN HANDING OVER TO UK ELMS FOR TRANSFER TO THE US PW FACY AT H1.

2. UNIT INVOLVED. TE 633.3.1.1.

A. DTG OF INCIDENT. 111300Z APR 03

B. LOCATION OF INCIDENT. N 33DEG16 . 92 E 42DEG26 . 255.

C. NATURE OF INCIDENT. MSR INTERDICTION.

D. DETAILS OF AS PERS: TE 633.3.1.1.

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3. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES:
  - A. KIA: NIL
  - B. WIA: NIL
  - C. MIA: NIL
4. ENEMY CASUALTIES:
  - A. KIA: NIL
  - B. WIA: NIL
4. CASEVAC DETAILS: N/A
5. DETAILS OF TCN/COALITION FE INVOLVED: UK CH47 AND RM CDO ESCORT PARTY.
6. STATUS OF AS PLATFORM OR EQUIP: N/A
7. FUTURE ACTION TO BE CONDUCTED: CONTINUE OPS IAW SOM.
8. COMMANDERS ASSESSMENT/COMMENTS: INCIDENT IS INDICATIVE OF THE EXODUS OF SUSPECT PERS FROM BAGHDAD AND WHO REPRESENT GOOD INTELLIGENCE VALUE. DETENTION WAS EFFECTED BY US STS MBR AND HANDOVER OF PERS AND EFFECTS WAS COMPLETED IAW POLICY REQUIREMENTS. FULL REPORTING WILL NOT BE AVAIL UNTIL TROOP WDR FROM FD. FE WILL FOLLOW UP INFO FROM SHEIK WITH FURTHER MEETINGS TODAY.
9. POC TG 633.3 W/K.
10. ACK. N/A

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