Grid Coordinates (MGRS): 41RQQ308936

City: Pashmul

District: Zharay

Province: Kandahar

Report Basis: ASC ATS3-327

Unit: ATS-3

Tasker: RFAI-RCS-079-20110720; RCS-076-20110710

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**1. BLUF:** The villagers that live near Ashoqa (in Demanda) are upset that their ALP station was attacked and one ALP was killed. However, they are happy that two of the attackers were captured after the fight.

**2. ATMOSPHERIC VALUE:** Supportive-GIRoA/Non-Supportive-INS.

**3. DETAILS**: On 10 Feb 13 while walking through the bazaar, ASC-327 overheard two Pashtun men, 34 and 41 years old, discussing the Taliban attack on the ALP station near their village.

The 34-year-old man said, “Yesterday the ALP station located near Demanda Village which is near Ashoqa Village came under attack by the Taliban. In this attack one ALP officer was killed and three other ALP officers were severely injured as well.”

The 41-year-old man replied, “Many of the Ashoqa villagers are sad about what happened to their ALP, but also they are happy because the ALP did manage to capture two of the Taliban who attacked the station. Of course the captured men deny that they had anything to do with the attack.”

**4. COMMENTS:** The villagers that live near Ashoqa (in Demanda) are sad to hear that their ALP station was attacked but happy to know that at least two of the attackers were captured after the fight. The villagers seem to be upset about the news of the attack against the ALP station. The ALP are appreciated for the security that they provide and any losses are felt throughout the community.