Grid Coordinates (MGRS): 41RQQ35399199

City: District Headquarters

District: Panjwai

Province: Kandahar

Report Basis: ASC ATS7-701

Unit: ATS-7

Tasker:

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**1. BLUF:**  Villagers believe that GIRoA does not care about the health care system in Afghanistan. They complain about the lack of doctors and facilities and state that Afghans continue to travel to Pakistan to get adequate care.

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

**3. DETAILS**: On 17 Feb 13, ASC ATS7-701 overheard a conversation between three Pashtun men at the bazaar in Panjwai, between the ages of 40 and 45; complaining about lack of doctors in Afghanistan and GIRoA’s reluctance to help Afghan citizens.

The first man said, “If we had good doctors and facilities in Afghanistan those 13 people would not have been dead right now.”

The second man said, “Which 13 people, and what happened to them?”

The first man replied by saying, “There are a lot of people going to Pakistan for treatment because Afghanistan lacks good doctors and facilities and the GIRoA does not care about people’s problems. Pakistan closed the Torkham border pass a couple of days ago and all those people that were going to Pakistan for treatment got stranded in the border and thirteen people died because of cold.”

**4. COMMENTS:** This report suggests that GIRoA does not care about their own people. Locals feel that they do not have qualified doctors or the facilities to provide the care they need. The general population continues to travel to Pakistan to get adequate health care.