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:** Americans approved 18 million dollars for those areas that are no longer growing poppy but locals hesitate that Americans will pay as promised.

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

**3. DETAILS**: On 17 Feb 13, ASC ATS7-701 overheard a conversation between two Pashtun men at the bazaar in Panjwai, between the ages of 20 and 25, talking about the fact that United Sates has approved 18 million dollar for those areas that are free of growing poppy.

The first man said, “Americans have approved 18 million dollars for those areas that are poppy free and are trying to stop growing poppy.”

The second man said, “It is great news if the Americans follow up with their promise and help those people that are trying to follow the law. However, most of the time Americans promise many things and do not follow up with them.”

**4. COMMENTS:** These villagers have heard that the Americans have approved 18 million dollars for those areas that do not grow poppy, but they hesitate that the Americans will follow through with this promise. These villagers suggest that the Americans have promised things in the past and did not fulfill those promises.